SUPPLEMENTARY ORDER PAPER.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

Friday, the 28th Day of August, 1896.

AID TO PUBLIC WORKS AND LAND SETTLEMENTS BILL.

Mr. Wilson, in Committee, to move the following new clause:—

If, within twelve months after the passing of this Act, the Governor gives the notice to purchase the Wellington-Manawatu Railway, under the terms of the "Railways Construction Act, 1881," the Colonial Treasurer is hereby empowered to issue debentures to the amount which, being sold, will pay to the company the difference between the amount raised by the company on debentures and the purchase-money as ascertained by the arbitrators appointed under the Railways Construction Act. And may take over the responsibility to pay the debentures issued by the company.

If the Governor does not give the necessary notice referred to, then, anything in the Railways Construction Act notwithstanding, the Governor may not exercise any right to purchase until the 30th

of March, 1900.