

SUPPLEMENTARY ORDER PAPER.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

Tuesday, the 30th Day of June, 1896.

Hon. Mr. CADMAN to move as an amendment to the Hon. Mr. Seddon's Notice of Motion No. 6, on Order Paper No. 8—

Line 3. Strike out "position," and "insert "affairs."

Line 5. Strike out "both prior and subsequent," and insert "in so far as the same relate."

Line 7. Insert after the word "legislation," "or which have since transpired."

Line 8. Strike out "persons attached to," and insert "agents of."

Line 9. Strike out "the capacity," and insert "their conduct."

Lines 9 and 10. Strike out "of those persons, directors, and officers."

Line 10. Insert after the word "off," "since the first day of January, 1888."

Line 11. Strike out "the same," and insert "such writing off."

Line 15. Strike out "to the," and insert "relates to such." Insert after the words "led to the same,"—

"(3.) The appointment of the President and General Manager of the Bank of New Zealand, and their connection with the Colonial Bank.

"(4.) Any negotiations which may at any time have taken place between the Colonial Bank and the Bank of New Zealand and the Ministry, or any member thereof, with a view to amalgamation or purchase.

"(5.) The purchase of the Colonial Bank by the Bank of New Zealand, with special reference to—

"(a.) The position of the Colonial Bank at the time of the first proposals for amalgamation or purchase, and subsequently.

"(b.) The accuracy or otherwise of the representations made to the Bank of New Zealand, the Government, or any member thereof, with reference to such amalgamation or purchase.

"(c.) The amount paid for goodwill, how it was arrived at, and the correctness or otherwise of the estimate.

"(6.) The information touching the premises in possession of the Government at the time of the banking legislation of 1893, 1894, 1895, and since that time."

Strike out the names of Mr. Collins and Mr. Houston, and insert Mr. Mr. , Mr. , and Mr.

The Hon. Mr. Seddon's Notice of Motion No. 6 on Order Paper No. 8, if amended by Hon. Mr. Cadman's motion in Supplementary Order Paper No. 3, will read as follows:—

That Standing Order No. 211 be suspended, and that a Select Committee of eleven members be appointed to examine and report upon the following matters:—

(1.) The affairs of the Bank of New Zealand, the Bank of New Zealand Estates Company (Limited), the Auckland Agricultural Company (Limited), and the Colonial Bank of New Zealand, in so far as the same relate to the banking legislation of 1893, 1894, and 1895, with special reference to all the circumstances leading up to that legislation, or which have since transpired, the fullness and accuracy of the information then disclosed by the directors, officers, and agents of those institutions, and their conduct and fitness.

(2.) To ascertain what amounts have been written off since the 1st day of January, 1888, and what led to such writing-off; and to deal with all such other matters as the Committee deems necessary or expedient in the premises: Provided that the Committee shall not be empowered to inquire into the ordinary business of persons or companies doing business with the Bank of New Zealand, excepting so far as relates to such writing-off and what led to the same.

(3.) The appointment of the President and General Manager of the Bank of New Zealand, and their connection with the Colonial Bank.

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(c.) The amount paid for goodwill, how it was arrived at, and the correctness or otherwise of the estimate.

(6.) The information touching the premises in possession of the Government at the time of the banking legislation of 1893, 1894, and 1895, and since that time.

The Committee to have power to call for persons and papers, and to confer with any similar Committee appointed by the Legislative Council: the Committee to consist of the Hon. Mr. J. McKenzie, Mr. Graham, Mr. Montgomery, Mr. McGowan, Mr. Maslin, Mr. Tanner, Mr. _____, Mr. _____,

Mr. _____, Mr. _____, and the Mover; five to be a quorum, and to report within twenty-one days.