

SUPPLEMENTARY ORDER PAPER.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

Friday, the 24th day of August, 1877.

NOTICES RELATING TO ORDERS OF THE DAY.

On going into Committee of Supply.

Mr. R. Wood's amendment, That, in the opinion of this House, owing to the necessity there was last year of meeting part of the ordinary expenditure of the country by the issue of Treasury Bills, and to the fact that, by the Treasurer's Statement, the receipts and expenditure of the current year cannot be equalised without interfering with the appropriation of the Land Fund made by the 16th section of "The Abolition of Provinces Act, 1875," the Land Fund should be at once made part of the ordinary revenue, and appropriated annually by this House.

Mr. WAKEFIELD, to move, That it is expedient,—

(1.) That the system of free selection, with a fixed price of £2 an acre for all blocks containing more than twenty acres, be applied to all the waste lands of the Crown throughout the colony, including the confiscated lands.

(2.) That all blocks not exceeding twenty acres be submitted to public auction at an upset price of £2 an acre for rural lands, and £12 10s. a quarter-acre for town lands.

(3.) That one-fifth of the land revenue be paid directly to the County Fund of the county within which such revenue arises.

(4.) That the remaining four-fifths of the land revenue be paid into the Consolidated Fund, for ordinary appropriation by this House.

(5.) That all pre-emptive rights shall cease.

(6.) The costs and expenses of the following services to be defrayed from Colonial revenue, viz.,—

1. All existing departments of the Government, including the Civil List.
2. The interest and Sinking Fund of all loans, whether Colonial or Provincial.
3. Primary education.
4. Gaols, police, and lunatic asylums.
5. Public railways, and arterial roads and bridges.
6. Subsidies to local bodies.

(7.) The cost and expenses of the following services to be defrayed by local bodies:—

1. Roads, bridges, and other local public works other than arterial.
2. Hospitals and charitable institutions.
3. Penitentiaries and reformatories, not being public gaols.

Mr. SHEEHAN to move, That, in the opinion of this House, all railway plant and materials which can be procured and manufactured in the colony should be so procured and manufactured, even though the adoption of this course may lead to a slight increase in the cost; and further, that the Government should take steps to insure the use of New Zealand coals, instead of Newcastle or other foreign coals, upon the Government railways.

Mr. SHARP to move, in Committee on the Education Bill, the following addition to clause 89:—

The Board may also, on the recommendation of the Inspector, in such outlying districts which it would be premature or inconvenient to constitute school districts, assist schools started by private enterprise in books, school apparatus, or money, as the Board shall think expedient.

Mr. O'RORKE to move, in Committee on the Auckland Provincial Council Library Bill, the omission of clauses 2, 3, and 4, and the substitution of the following clauses:—

Upon the passing of this Act the whole of the Auckland Provincial Council Library, at present deposited in the Museum at Auckland, shall vest in the Mayor, Councillors, and Citizens of the City of Auckland, and shall be handed over to the Borough Council of the said city so soon as "The Public Libraries Act, 1869," shall be adopted by the citizens of Auckland, and a suitable building shall be provided for the reception and safe custody of the library.

The said library, when handed over to the Borough Council, shall be managed in pursuance of the provisions of the said Public Libraries Act, and shall be open to the public free of all charge.