

SUPPLEMENTARY ORDER PAPER.

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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

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Tuesday, the 31st Day of July, 1894.

HARBOURS ACT AMENDMENT BILL.

Hon. Mr. WARD, in Committee, to move the following new clauses:—

In addition to the powers and authorities granted to Harbour Boards under section two hundred and sixteen of the said Act, and by any local Acts, every Board may from time to time make by-laws providing that harbour-improvement rates may be levied on all goods and merchandise discharged at or shipped from the port, and in and by such by-laws may provide for the manner of levying and collecting such rates, and by whom and to whom the same shall be paid, and in what manner the same shall be paid, and such rates may be charged by weight, measurement, package, or value, or by one or more of such ways, and the rates charged on different classes of goods may be varied from time to time so as to discriminate between one class and another, as the Board may from time to time determine.

Section eighty-eight of the said Act is hereby amended by adding thereto the following proviso:—

Provided always that, if a vessel shall enter after twelve months from the issue of the exemption certificate, she shall not be deemed exempt unless the exemption certificate has been renewed from the expiry of the previous exemption certificate; but, on payment of an inward pilotage, she may then apply for an exemption certificate for twelve months from that date.

HARBOURS ACT AMENDMENT BILL.

Mr. E. M. SMITH, in Committee, to move the following new clause:—

A. Notwithstanding anything contained in the principal Act, the New Plymouth Harbour Board may by special resolution divide the rating area or district into six electoral wards, each ward to return one member to the Board. The Board shall annually, or so often as may be required, make up an electoral roll for each ward, and such electoral roll shall be deemed to be the electoral roll for the rating area or district within the meaning of the principal Act.

B. Any such special resolution of the New Plymouth Harbour Board constituting electoral wards shall come into operation at the next general election of the members of such Board after the passing of such resolution, and after such general election shall also apply to extraordinary vacancies.