SUPPLEMENTARY ORDER PAPER.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

Tuesday, the 9th Day of October, 1894.

NEW ZEALAND CONSOLS BILL.

Reasons assigned by the Legislative Council for insisting on their amendments in the New Zealand Consols Bill :—

1. The financial proposals alluded to in the reasons of the House of Representatives do not deal with questions of appropriation or taxation, and the amendment made by the Council is within the proper limits of the Council's action.

2. The place of repayment of capital is not prescribed in section 30.

CHARLES C. BOWEN,
J. MacGregor,
WM. Downie Stewart.

8th October, 1894.

Reasons of the House of Representatives for disagreeing with the Legislative Council in their amendments made in the New Zealand Consols Bill:—

Clause 4: (1) Because the first amendment alters the time when deposits are repayable from forty years to twenty years, and consequently interferes with the financial proposals of this House; and the House does not deem it necessary to offer any further reason, hoping that the above may be sufficient: and (2) because the second amendment, with regard to the place of payment of interest, is better defined by section 30 than by the amendment.

J. G. Ward, James McGowan, Arthur Morrison.

LAND FOR SETTLEMENTS BILL.

Reasons assigned by the Legislative Council for insisting on their amendments in the Land for Settlements Bill:—

Clause 5: Clause 4 contemplates the making of an agreement between the Board and the owner or lessee, including the price, without any interference by the Minister beyond a direction to negotiate: it therefore seems reasonable that the view of the Board as to price should guide the purchase in all cases.

Clause 8: The term "one complete estate" is not defined in the Bill, and requires to be

made clear, and it is submitted that the term "block" does this.

New proviso to clause 8: It is considered that this constitutes a sufficient direction to the Court.

Clause 21: The amendment merely places beyond doubt what is understood to be intended by the House.

Wm. Downie Stewart. Chas. C. Bowen. E. C. J. Stevens.

8th October, 1894.

Reasons for disagreeing with certain amendments made by the Legislative Council:-

Clause 5: The House disagrees with the amendment made by the Legislative Council, because it debars the Governor in Council from concluding a purchase without the recommendation of the Board, and is consequently an interference with the public expenditure of the colony; and the House does not deem it necessary to offer any further reason, hoping that the above may be sufficient.

New clause 8: The proposed amendment altering the words "in one complete estate" to "in one block" may lead to estates being cut up into blocks in order to evade the Act. It is desirable to prevent this.

New proviso to Clause 8: The proposed new proviso is ambiguous. It is desirable to

clearly define the exact area which may be selected in each class of land.

Clause 21, new proviso: The House disagrees to the amendment, because it imposes a limitation on the acquisition of land, and thereby interferes with the public expenditure; and the House does not deem it necessary to offer any further reason, hoping that the same may be sufficient.

Clause 39: The Committee recommends the House not to press its disagreement to the amendment, which, though it may not be strictly regular, does not materially infringe the privileges of the House, and is otherwise unobjectionable. The Committee recommends that the amendment be agreed to, as it appears the said amendment furthers the intention of the House.

John McKenzie. Thomas Duncan. W. H. Montgomery.