SUPPLEMENTARY ORDER PAPER.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

Monday, the 20th Day of December, 1909.

MAGISTRATES' COURTS AMENDMENT BILL.

Mr. Ross, in Committee, to move the following amendments:—

Clause 3 (1): Omit the words "within three clear days after the service of the summons upon him," and substitute the words "not later than three clear days before the day fixed for the hearing of the summons."

To insert the following new clause:-

Service by registered letter.

2a. In any case where a summons or a counterclaim is required to be served on a person resident three miles or upwards from the place at which the summons or counterclaim is to be heard, service may be effected by registered letter, and the production at the hearing of an acknowledgment in the prescribed form, signed by the person to whom the registered letter was addressed that he has received the same, shall be *prima facie* evidence of service.