

# SUPPLEMENTARY ORDER PAPER.

## HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

Saturday, the 23rd Day of November, 1907.

### MAORI LAND CLAIMS ADJUSTMENT AND LAWS FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL.

HON. MR. CARROLL, in Committee, to move the following new clause:—

Validation of  
leases granted  
to Gertrude  
Helen  
Meinertzhagen.

33. To give effect to a portion of the report of the Commission appointed by the Governor on the twenty-first day of January, nineteen hundred and seven, for the purpose of making inquiries as to areas of Native land which are unoccupied, or not profitably occupied, and as to the mode in which such lands can best be utilised and settled, it is hereby enacted as follows:—

- (a.) The Governor may by Order in Council validate as from the date or respective dates thereof certain leases granted to Gertrude Helen Meinertzhagen by the Native owners of Waimarama No. 3A, in the Hawke's Bay District, dated the eighth day of March, nineteen hundred and six, and subsequent dates, and reported upon by the said Commission, so far as the same relate to the area of five thousand acres recommended for lease to the said Gertrude Helen Meinertzhagen by the Commission, such area to be more particularly defined by the said Commission so far as is necessary to give effect to the purpose of this section, and the said Order in Council shall be sufficient authority to the District Land Registrar at Napier to register the said leases against the land in respect of which they are so validated; and upon such validation all such leases, so far as they relate to any area or areas in excess of the said area of five thousand acres, shall be and be deemed to have been of none effect.
- (b.) In respect of such shares in the said area as have been purchased by the Crown the Governor may grant a lease thereof to the said Gertrude Helen Meinertzhagen for the same term and subject to the same conditions as the said leases so validated, and at the rate of *six* shillings per acre per annum.
- (c.) The rent payable under the leases so validated shall be the sum of *six* shillings per acre per annum, instead of the sum of *five* shillings expressed to be reserved in the said leases.
- (d.) For the purpose of carrying out the foregoing provisions the Governor may agree with the Native owners of any parts of the area included in the leases so validated to acquire such parts as Crown land in exchange for Crown land of equal value situated elsewhere.