

SUPPLEMENTARY ORDER PAPER.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

Monday, the 18th Day of November, 1907.

PUBLIC SERVICE SUPERANNUATION BILL.

Right Hon. Sir J. G. WARD, in Committee, to move the following amendments:—

Clause 6: In line 34, omit "nine" and substitute "ten."

To insert the following new clauses:—

Special Provision as to State School-teachers.

Provisions for
Police Force
coming under
this Act.

41. (1.) On a day to be fixed by the Minister of Education being not later than six months after the coming into operation of this Act, a ballot shall be taken of the contributors to the Teachers' Superannuation Fund on the proposal that such contributors shall become contributors to the fund established under this Act in lieu of to the first-mentioned fund.

(2.) The ballot shall be taken in such manner as the said Minister directs.

(3.) If the result of the ballot is that a majority of the votes recorded thereat are in favour of the proposal, then, as from a date to be fixed by the Governor by notice in the *Gazette*, the following provisions shall apply:—

(a.) The Teachers' Superannuation Fund shall be abolished, and the amount then standing to its credit shall be paid by the Public Trustee into the fund established under this Act.

(b.) All contributors to the Teachers' Superannuation Fund shall be deemed to be contributors to the fund established under this Act, and shall thereafter contribute thereto at the rate prescribed by this Act for the age of each such contributor at the date when his first contribution became payable under the Teachers' Superannuation Fund Act, 1905.

(c.) All retiring and other allowances then payable under the last-mentioned Act shall from time to time be payable out of the Public Service Superannuation Fund.

(d.) All persons thereafter appointed or first employed in the Education service shall become contributors to the Public Service Superannuation Fund.

(e.) One person to be elected by State school-teachers from among their number shall be added to the Public Service Superannuation Board.

(4.) If the result of the ballot is that a majority of the votes recorded thereat are against the proposal, then the provisions of this Act shall not apply to persons employed in the Education service.

Special Provision for Employees of the Wellington and Manawatu Railway Company.

42. (1.) The Minister for Railways may at any time, by notice in the *Gazette*, declare that the provisions of the Government Railways Superannuation Fund Act, 1902 (hereinafter referred to as the said Act), shall extend and apply to persons employed by the Wellington and Manawatu Railway Company (Limited); and, subject to the provisions of this section, such provisions shall be extended and apply accordingly as from a date to be fixed by the Minister in such notice.

Provisions of Government Railways Superannuation Fund Act may be applied to employees of Wellington and Manawatu Railway Company.

(2.) Every person who at the date so fixed is permanently employed in any capacity by the said company may at any time within six months after that date elect to become a contributor to the fund, and if he so elects he shall, subject to the provisions of the said Act and of this section, be entitled to all the benefits of the fund in the same manner as if he had then first entered the service of the Government Railways Department:

Provided that any such person may, if he so desires, pay into the fund, either in one sum or in such payments as may be prescribed by regulations, the amount of contributions that would have been payable by him had he become a contributor on the first day of January, nineteen hundred and three (the date when the said Act came into operation), and in such case the benefits to which he is entitled shall be computed as from such last-mentioned date:

Provided also that, in consideration of the company paying into the fund by way of subsidy either a sum of five thousand pounds or the sum of one thousand pounds per annum for a period of five years, the benefits accruing to any person in the employ of the company on the coming into operation of this Act, and who pays contributions as from such last-mentioned date, shall be computed on his full period of continuous service with the company.

(3.) With respect to persons who after the date fixed by the Minister as aforesaid are first permanently employed in any capacity by the said company, it shall be a condition of their employment that they shall be contributors to the fund and be entitled to its benefits:

Provided that before entering the company's service he shall be required to pass the medical examination prescribed by the Government Railways Department in respect to persons who are entering the Government Railways Service, and such examination shall be made by the Government Railway Medical Officer at the expense of the company.

(4.) The said company shall from time to time when requested by the Minister furnish him with such information respecting the names of persons in its employ, their age, length of service, and otherwise as he may require.

(5.) The Governor may from time to time, by Order in Council gazetted, make such regulations as may be necessary for the carrying-out of this section.