

SUPPLEMENTARY ORDER PAPER.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

Tuesday, the 9th Day of October, 1894.

PUBLIC TRUST OFFICE CONSOLIDATION BILL.

Hon. Mr. WARD, in Committee, to move the following new clause in lieu of clause 24 :—

24. Where any person entitled to the net residue, or any part of the net residue, of the property of an intestate under administration by the Public Trustee, whether dying before or after this Act comes into operation, shall not have established within three years next after the death of the intestate his claim thereto, and where the Public Trustee does not know and does not, after such reasonable inquiries as he thinks proper to make (of the sufficiency of which inquiries the Public Trustee shall be sole judge), ascertain who are the persons entitled to such residue or part thereof, and the intestate shall have left a widow, the Public Trustee may, at the expiration of such period, pay or transfer to the widow, if living, and who has not married again, such net residue. Any payment or transfer so made shall, so far as the Public Trustee is concerned, be deemed to have been conclusively and effectively made.

But the provisions of this section shall not prejudice the right of any person entitled to such residue or part thereof to recover from the widow, but not after the period of six years from such payment or transfer being made.