SUPPLEMENTARY ORDER PAPER.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

Wednesday, the 4th day of October, 1876.

1. Hon. Major ATKINSON to move the following additional clauses in the Waste Lands Administration Bill:—

To be added to Section 2,—

But this repeal shall in no way affect any rights or interests acquired or obligations entered into under the repealed Acts or either of them previously to the coming into operation of this Act, and then existing or unfulfilled.

Every person claiming to be entitled to land under the aforesaid Acts who shall not have forfeited his claim may, in lieu of taking up land under the repealed Acts, become a selector of land on deferred payments under the provisions of this Act; and for that purpose he shall apply to the Waste Lands Board of the district where the land he has selected is situated, and shall submit to the aforesaid Board the Immigration Officer's certificate of his registration as an immigrant, showing the amount in value to which such immigrant is entitled to select land. Immigrants entitled to land may select on deferred payments.

The Board shall satisfy itself of the identity of the party presenting the aforesaid certificate, in such manner as it shall think fit, and if satisfied thereof, shall approve the certificate by an indorsement thereon under the hand of the Chief Commissioner; and the Immigration Officer's certificate so approved shall be received by any Receiver of Land Revenue as cash to the amount expressed in such certificate in payment or part payment of any land selected on deferred payments, but not for any other land.

The due compliance with the conditions of occupation of land on deferred payments shall in every case be considered a full satisfaction by a registered immigrant of the conditions of occupation of land under the repealed Acts.

To be inserted after Section 19,—

INCOMPLETE LAND PURCHASES IN NORTH ISLAND.

For the purpose of completing the negotiations now pending for the purchase of certain Native lands in the Native Land District of the Thames, it is hereby enacted that a certain notice by the Governor dated the fifteenth day of October, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-four, and published in the *New Zealand Gazette* under the provisions of the forty-second section of "The Immigration and Public Works Act Amendment Act, 1871," shall continue in full operation and effect as to all lands affected by the said notice, in respect of the purchase of which money has been paid on behalf of Her Majesty, until the completion of the said purchase, and whether such lands or any of them were or were not passed through the Native Land Court previous to the publication of the aforesaid notice. Incomplete purchases protected where money has been paid on account.

To be inserted after Section 20,—

SURVEYS OF NATIVE LANDS.

In order to secure a general uniformity of surveys it shall be lawful for the Governor, by Order in Council, whenever he shall think it fit to do so, to order and direct that all surveys of Native lands for the purposes of "The Native Lands Act, 1873," or other Acts relating to Native land, at present conducted under the direction of the Inspector of Surveys, shall, from a day to be fixed in such order, be brought Native Surveys may be brought under general administration.

under the control and supervision of the Surveyor-General; and to prescribe regulations under which surveys of Native lands shall thereafter be conducted, and any such regulations at any time to alter amend or rescind, anything in "The Native Land Act, 1873," to the contrary notwithstanding.

To be inserted after Section 88,—

SALE OF LAND WITHIN GOLD FIELDS IN OTAGO.

Land in gold fields to be sold exclusively as land in hundreds.

Section seventy-three of "The Otago Waste Lands Act, 1872," is hereby repealed; and from and after the day of the coming into operation of this Act, lands situated within any gold field over which a pastoral license does not exist, or has been cancelled or suspended, shall be sold or otherwise dealt with only in the manner provided by "The Otago Waste Lands Act, 1872," with respect to waste lands situated within hundreds; and for the purposes of such sale or other disposal it shall not be necessary either to withdraw any such lands from the operation of any Gold Fields Act, or to proclaim such lands into hundreds. All the provisions of any Gold Fields Acts, or other Acts, and all regulations under any law at any time made, contrary to the provisions of this section, shall be repealed so far as they may affect lands intended to be dealt with by this section.

Nothing in this section contained, however, shall be construed in any way to apply to any lands set apart within gold fields for the purpose of granting agricultural leases therefor.