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SUPPLEMENTARY ORDER PAPER.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

Wednesday, the 21st day of November, 1877.

NOTICES OF MOTION.

1. The Honourable Colonel WHITMORE, in Committee on the Public Reserves Bill, to move the following new clause :---

18. Whenever any public reserve, or any part thereof, which has at any time heretofore, or which may hereafter be granted to any corporation, governing body, trustees, or other persons, under the provisions of any Act, but which has not been acquired by purchase, and which has not been absolutely alienated by the grantees thereof, shall be required as the site of any customhouse, post office, Court of justice, gaol, telegraph office, or other public building for the use of the Government of the colony or any department thereof, or for any purpose of public utility or convenience connected with the administration of the government of the colony, it shall be lawful for the Governor, in the name of Her Majesty, after a notice published for four consecutive weeks in the *New Zealand Gazette*, to resume to Her Majesty so much of the land comprised within any such reserve as may be required for any of the purposes aforesaid, without paying any compensation for the resumption of any such land.

From and after the day of the publication of the last of the aforesaid *Gazette* notices, any land that shall be so resumed by Her Majesty shall vest in Her Majesty absolutely, freed from and discharged of any trust upon which any such land may have been granted: Provided always that full compensation to be ascertained in the manner prescribed in Part III. of "The Public Works Act, 1876," shall be paid for all buildings standing upon the land so resumed at the time of the resumption thereof.

2. The Honourable Mr. BUCKLEY, when in Committee upon the District Railways Bill, to move the following amendments :---

New clause, in place of clause 13.

Within sixty days from the deposit of the plan and book of reference, the votes of the ratepayers and owners of property within the proposed district shall be taken as hereinafter provided; and if a majority in number and value of rateable property of the whole body of such ratepayers and owners shall consent to the construction of the proposed railway, then the Governor may declare his approval of the construction of such railway.

Clause 14, first line, after word "ratepayers," insert "and owners of property;" and add at end of clause :---

Provided always that the owners of all property within the proposed district who may not be occupiers or ratepayers at the time shall be entitled to the same votes as if they were on the ratepayers' roll as occupiers and ratepayers for such property. Clause 15, second line, strike out word "resident," and insert "and owners of property." Fifth line, after word "ratepayers," insert "and owners of property." First subsection, first line, strike out word "of," and insert "and owners of property in." Second subsection, first line, strike out word "of," and insert "and owners of property in." Third subsection, third line, strike out word "of," and insert "and owners of property in."

Clause 16, third line, after word "ratepayers," insert "and owners of property."

Clause 76. To add the following subsection :---

(4.) Such guarantee shall cease at the end of ten years thereafter.

3. The Honourable Colonel WHITMORE, in Committee on the District Railways Bill, to move the following amendments :---

In clause 2, line 2. After "1875" to insert "and sections five to twenty-six of 'The Kaitangata Railway and Coal Company (Limited) Empowering Act, 1875."

In clause 4, line 2. To omit "Act hereby repealed," and insert in lieu thereof "Acts mentioned in clause two of this Act."

In clause 76, subsection 1, line 5. To insert "Provided that where a railway district lies in more than one county or borough, the amount to be raised in each such county or borough shall be fixed by the Minister upon the application of the Council of any county or borough interested, and the proportions so fixed shall be final and conclusive for all purposes."

In clause 76, line 1. After "company" to insert "passing such resolution as is mentioned in clause four of this Act, and every company."

New clause to follow clause 12.

The districts for railways constructed under the Acts mentioned in clause two of this Act, and the lands included therein, shall be classified by the Governor.