SUPPLEMENTARY ORDER PAPER.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

Thursday, the 29th day of July, 1886.

CIVIL SERVICE REFORM BILL.

The Honourable Mr. Reynords, in Committee, to move:

Clause 4 to be omitted and the following substituted:

4. Every person who, after the passing of this Act, shall be appointed to the Civil Service of the colony, shall only enter such service as a cadet, and after he or she has passed the Junior Civil Service Examination for cadets, and has been proved to be physically fit for the service.

The Controller and Auditor-General shall not pass any voucher for the payment of salary to any person to be appointed as aforesaid who is not appointed in manner as by this section and by section *nine*

provided.

Nothing in this section contained, however, shall apply to any person skilled in medicine, law, navigation, science, technical art, or the management of live stock, or in naval or military matters; nor to persons appointed under "The Defence Act, 1886," or "The Police Force Act, 1886," nor to officers of prisons, nor to persons appointed as messengers.

Clause 9 to be omitted and the following substituted:—

9. All appointments to the Civil Service shall be made by selection in rotation from amongst the permanent residents within the several electoral districts of the colony, each such electoral district being selected by lot by the Colonial Secretary as the one from which candidates shall be first selected and so on in turn, in such manner that no candidates from any one electoral district shall be invited a second time until candidates have been invited from all other such districts.

When any cadet or cadets are required for the Civil Service the fact shall be notified in the *Gazette*, and also in such newspaper as the Colonial Secretary shall appoint having general circulation within the electoral district from which candidates for appointment are to be then invited, requiring applications to be made for appointment in

manner as may from time to time be prescribed.

The applications shall be considered by the Minister for whose department the cadet or cadets are required respectively, and such Minister may select those he may think most suitable, but also may reject any or all of such applications.

Clause 10. After "supplied" insert "and the several candidates appear equally suitable"; also omit the last paragraph of the clause.

Substitute—

When there are more vacancies to be supplied after all suitable candidates have been appointed, then further applications shall be invited from another electoral district to be selected as aforesaid, for such purpose, and so on until all vacancies are supplied.

GOVERNMENT LOANS TO LOCAL BODIES BILL.

The Honourable Mr. Reynolds, in Committee, to move:—

Clause 9, line 49. Omit "Part II.," substitute "Part III." Clause 23, line 22. Omit "1878," insert "1885."

Clause 27 to be omitted, and the following substituted:—

27. In order to afford relief to any local authority which has issued debentures under "The Roads and Bridges Construction Act, 1882," the Treasurer may compound with any such local authority, in respect of any such debentures falling due after this Act comes into operation, by ascertaining their present value computed on the basis of four pounds ten shillings per centum.

For the purposes of this and the next succeeding four sections, the expression "local authority" shall include a Borough Council

that has issued debentures under the Act therein mentioned.

COUNTIES BILL.

The Honourable Mr. MILLER, on the recommittal of the Counties Bill, to move that the following be added to clause 198:—

Provided always that the total amount of all rates—general, separate, and special—levied in one year in any county or part of a county shall not exceed farthings in the pound.

The Honourable Mr. Barnicoat, on the recommittal of the Counties Bill, to move that the following be inserted in clause 308, between subsections (12) and (13):—

For regulating the times at which traction-engines may be allowed to pass along the roads within the county.

FIRST OFFENDERS' PROBATION BILL.

The Honourable Mr. Wilson, in Committee, to move that the following new clauses be added to the Bill:—

14A. Notwithstanding anything hereinbefore contained, the following provisions shall apply in respect to persons accused of an offence under this Act:—

A Court of summary jurisdiction, after hearing the evidence, may discharge such person without sentencing him; or

The Supreme Court, at any stage of the trial of such person, may direct him to be discharged either before or after verdict; and such discharge shall have all the effect of an acquittal of the accused in respect of the offence for which he was committed for trial, held to bail, or indicted.

14B. Nothing in this Act contained shall be construed to annul, abridge, or alter any authorities or jurisdiction which any Court, or any Judge or Justices thereof, possesses or possess under any Act

other than this Act, or otherwise.