SUPPLEMENTARY ORDER PAPER.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

Wednesday, the 9th day of October, 1872.

1. The Honourable Mr. Hall, in Committee on the Highway Boards Empowering Bill, to move, That clause 2 be struck out, and in

lieu thereof the following be inserted:—

Section six of "The Highway Boards Empowering Act, 1871," is hereby amended by the addition of the following proviso at the end of the section:—Provided further that when it appears to the governing body that any work or improvement is for the special benefit of any particular portion of the Highway District, the governing body may, for defraying the expenses incurred in doing or executing such work, by special order distinctly defining such portion and approved by the Superintendent, make and levy a rate or rates to be called a "separate" rate equally on all rateable property situated within such portion; and no such rate or rates made in any one year shall exceed in the aggregate the amount of two shillings in the pound of the annual value of such property, or two pence in the pound of the value to sell: Provided always that public notice shall be given of the intention to levy such a rate at least one month before the same is levied, and if within such time a protest be left at the office of the governing body, signed by at least one-half of the ratepayers within such portion, reckoned according to their votes, then such rate shall not be levied, and such separate rate so levied shall be expended only for the purposes for which the same has been made, anything herein contained to the contrary notwithstanding.