

Supplementary Order Paper.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

Thursday, the 16th Day of September, 1915.

BIRTHS AND DEATHS REGISTRATION AMENDMENT BILL.

Hon. Mr. RUSSELL, in Committee, to move the following new clause:—

Special provisions as to registration of adopted children.

8. (1.) Whenever an order of adoption is made under Part III of the Infants Act, 1908, it shall be the duty of the Clerk of the Court by which such order was made forthwith to send to the Registrar-General notice, in the prescribed form, setting forth the following particulars so far as they are known to the Court:—

- (a.) The full name of the child as before the making of the order;
- (b.) The date and place of birth of the child;
- (c.) The sex of the child;
- (d.) The names, address, and occupation of the natural parents of the child;
- (e.) The name or names and the occupation and address of the adopting parent or adopting parents;
- (f.) The name of the Judge by whom the order of adoption was made, and the date of the order; and
- (g.) Such other particulars as may be prescribed.

(2.) On receipt of such particulars the Registrar-General shall, if the duplicate of the entry as to the birth of the child has been transmitted to him pursuant to section twelve of the principal Act, forthwith note and sign on such duplicate a memorial in the following form—namely, “Order of adoption of [Name of child], dated the day of , 19 , made by [Name of Judge] in favour of [Name or names, address, and occupation of adopting parent or adopting parents].”

(3.) The Registrar-General shall in every case forthwith send to the Registrar by whom the birth was registered a copy of the notice received by him from the Clerk of the Court, and the Registrar shall forthwith note and sign on the original entry as to the birth of the child, and on the duplicate entry in cases where the duplicate has not been transmitted to the Registrar-General, a memorial in the form prescribed by the *last preceding* subsection, and shall also re-register, in duplicate, particulars as to the birth of the child, substituting the name by adoption for the natural name of the child, and substituting particulars as to the adopting parent or parents for particulars as to the natural parents, and shall transmit the duplicate of such entry to the Registrar-General as if it were a duplicate of an entry made by him pursuant to section eleven of the principal Act.

(4.) Whenever a copy of the entry as to the birth of any child to whom this section relates is required for any purpose the Registrar or the Registrar-General, as the case may be, shall supply a copy of the entry made pursuant to the *last preceding* subsection in lieu of a copy of the original entry unless the applicant certifies that the particulars recorded in the original entry are material for the purpose for which the copy is required.

(5.) Nothing in this section shall be deemed to dispense with the obligation to register the birth of any child in the manner prescribed by the principal Act.