

## SUPPLEMENTARY ORDER PAPER.

## HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

Thursday, the 25th day of August, 1881.

## LAND ACT 1877 AMENDMENT BILL.

Mr. PYKE, in Committee, to move the addition of the following new clause:—

The words "The Gold Fields Act, 1866," in section seventy-four of "The Land Act, 1877," shall be deemed and taken to mean and include "The Mines Act, 1877."

## DOG REGISTRATION ACT AMENDMENT BILL.

Hon. Mr. DICK, in Committee, to move the addition of the following new clause:—

Where any person, without having been summoned to enforce such payment, shall have paid the registration fee for any dog after the expiration of the time limited for such registration, he shall be exempted from the penalty imposed by the said Act for not effecting such registration within the proper time, and shall not be liable to be summoned for the payment of such penalty.

## MUNICIPAL CORPORATIONS BILL.

Mr. HUTCHISON, in Committee, to move the addition of the following new clauses:—

The subsection of section two hundred and ninety-two of "The Municipal Corporations Act, 1876, is hereby repealed, and in lieu thereof it is enacted as follows: Where gasworks have been established in any borough under the authority of an Act of the General Assembly, for the supply of gas within such borough, the Council shall not establish any corporation gasworks until after the Council has offered to purchase and take over the already existing gasworks at a reasonable price; or, failing agreement with the owner or owners thereof as to reasonable price, then at a price to be fixed under the provisions of Part III. of "The Public Works Act, 1876."

If the offer to purchase and take over the said existing gasworks, thus alternatively made, shall have been declined by the owner or owners thereof, the Council may proceed at once to construct gasworks, and to do all necessary things towards lighting the streets and supplying gas to the inhabitants, as if no other gasworks existed in the borough.

The Council of any borough may, by resolution agreed to at a meeting specially called for the purpose, resolve to undertake, on behalf of the corporation, the insurance against fire of all dwellings, houses, and other buildings of every description within the borough, except such buildings as may be used for carrying on any trade or occupation of an exceptionally hazardous nature:

Provided always that before doing so, the Council shall cause a poll of the burgesses, being owners of house property, to be taken for and against the resolution, in terms of sections one hundred and forty-one and one hundred and forty-two of "The Municipal Corporations Act, 1876."

If the number of votes given for the resolution exceeds the number given against it by one-fifth, or more than one-fifth, the resolution shall come into operation, and the Mayor shall forthwith give public intimation of the same. The Council shall, as soon as may be thereafter, prepare and publish a code of by-laws for carrying out and regulating a system of municipal fire insurance, for the maintenance of which an annual rate (not to exceed *sixpence* in the pound, on buildings only), shall be levied.

Any Council undertaking municipal fire insurance, as aforesaid, shall have all the rights, privileges, and powers conferred by any Acts of the General Assembly on individuals or companies undertaking fire insurance, and may sue and be sued in this behalf.

ANIMALS PROTECTION ACT AMENDMENT BILL.

Mr. SUTTON, in Committee, to move the following amendments:—

Section 32 of "The Animals Protection Act, 1880," is hereby repealed.

All duties paid for licenses, and all fines and penalties which may be recovered by virtue of "The Animals Protection Act, 1880," or by this Act, shall be paid to the Treasurer of the Acclimatization Society of the district wherein such fines or penalties accrue, but in districts where there is no registered Acclimatization Society they shall be paid to the Public Account.