

SUPPLEMENTARY ORDER PAPER.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

Thursday, the 13th Day of July, 1899.

LIBEL BILL.

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

7. As soon as possible after the attention of the defendant has been directed to the publication of an injurious or defamatory statement, he shall, if requested so to do by the person or persons injuriously affected, and subject to a penalty not exceeding ten pounds for non-compliance with the provisions of this clause, publish, in a part of the newspaper equally prominent to that in which the injurious or defamatory statement appeared, and in type not less conspicuous than that in which the report or other publication complained of appeared, an answer, denial, or explanation of the aforesaid injurious or defamatory statement.

8. In any action against a proprietor, editor, or publisher for the publication of a libel contained in what purports to be a letter from a correspondent to a newspaper, the defendant, or each of the defendants if there be more than one, shall, on application to the Court in that behalf, disclose on affidavit the true name and address of such correspondent.