

SUPPLEMENTARY ORDER PAPER.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

Wednesday, the 5th day of July, 1882.

NOTICES RELATING TO ORDERS OF THE DAY.

ON GOING INTO COMMITTEE OF SUPPLY.

Mr. Moss to move,—

With a view to the better control of Parliament over the public expenditure, it is desirable that the following changes should be made in the practice hitherto pursued:—

- (1.) That an Act should be passed determining in detail the several departments, and the salary to be attached to each office.
- (2.) That no change in the departments or in the salaries so determined shall be hereafter made except by amendment of the said Act.
- (3.) That all appointments to offices exceeding £200 a year in salary should only be made by the Government provisionally, and be formally submitted to Parliament for approval.

Mr. TURNBULL to move,—

That, in the opinion of this House, there should be a progressive Land-Tax on all arable land not under cultivation, held by any landowner who owns land in excess of five hundred acres in extent.

Mr. DARGAVILLE to move,—

That copies of all correspondence between Ministers and the Chief Judge of the Native Lands Court, Auckland, having reference to the proposed removal of the Head Office of that department to Wellington, be laid before this House.

MINES ACT 1877 AMENDMENT BILL.

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

Any owner or occupier of land adjoining any stream or natural watercourse may apply to the Resident Magistrate of the district wherein such stream or watercourse is situated for an order that a quantity not exceeding two Government sluice-heads of water shall be allowed to flow in the natural bed of any such stream or watercourse for general use, and such order shall be by writing under the hand of such Magistrate; and every holder of a water-right, or other person who may be taking or diverting water from such stream or watercourse, shall obey such order on being served with a duly-certified copy of the same: Provided that if any person shall feel aggrieved by any such order he may appeal to the Judge of the District Court having jurisdiction in the district, whose decision shall be final.

OFFENCES AGAINST THE PERSON ACT 1867 AMENDMENT BILL.

Mr. WESTON, when in Committee, to move that clause 4 be amended as follows:—

4. Whenever any male person (~~between the ages of seven and eighteen years~~) shall be convicted of an assault upon any male or female in a public street or thoroughfare, or of wilfully and maliciously destroying the property of any person, or of exposing his person in a public street or thoroughfare committed or done after the passing of this Act, the Court (*or Justices*) by or before whom he is convicted may (*if, in its or their opinion, the person so convicted is over the age of years, and under the age of eighteen years, and*), if it shall think fit, in addition to or in lieu of any punishment at the time of the passing of this Act by law imposed for such offence, direct that the offender be once or twice privately whipped with a birch rod (*in the presence of an Inspector or other officer of the police of higher rank than a constable, and also in the presence, if he desires to be present, of the parent or guardian of such person*): Provided that the number of strokes do not exceed _____ at each such whipping.