No. 39.

SUPPLEMENTARY ORDER PAPER.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

Friday, the 14th Day of August, 1891.

MINING BILL.

Hon. Mr. SEDDON, in Committee, to move the following amendments :---

Clause 312. Omit the words "gin-ropes, chains, or other tackle," in lines 46 and 47.

Clause 314. After the word "shall," in line 18, add the words "before the thirtieth day of June, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-two," and after the word "employer," in line 20, add the words "or employers." In subsection (1) add, after the word "mine," in line 23, the words "as captain or boss of a shift for a period of two years; also, after the word "mine," in line 25, omit all the words to end of subsection.

Clause 315. Add, after the word "said," in line 42, the words "mine manager or;" after the word "such," in line 42, add the words "mine manager," and after the word "any," in line 44, add the words "mine or."

Clause 316. Add, after the word "capacity," in line 2, page 97, the words "and any person who shall knowingly employ any mine manager or engine-driver during the period of disqualification or without a certificate shall be deemed guilty of an offence against this Act, and shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding *five* pounds for every day that such mine manager or engine-driver is so employed." Insert the following new clause :—

316A. Eight hours' work shall constitute a day's work, and fortyeight hours' work a week's work; and no person in charge of steammachinery used in connection with any mine, or for the treatment of the products of any mine, shall be employed for more than eight consecutive hours at any time, and there shall be an interval of at least four hours before such person resumes his work. Such period of eight hours shall be exclusive of any time occupied in raising steam and in drawing fires, and in exhausting steam in connection with the machinery in charge of such person, and exclusive of meal-hours, and of any time in which such person is employed, in case of breakage or other emergency.

Every person in charge as aforesaid who is guilty of negligence by which any property is destroyed or damaged shall be guilty of an offence against this Act.

If any such person as aforesaid shall be employed during seven consecutive days in every week, he shall be entitled to not less than twelve half-holidays, or six full holidays, during the year.