

SUPPLEMENTARY ORDER PAPER.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

Thursday, the 25th Day of November, 1897.

OLD-AGE PENSIONS BILL.

Mr. R. McKENZIE, in Committee, to move the following amendment:—

On the motion “That clause 8, as amended, stand part of the Bill”: That clause 8, as amended, be struck out, and the following inserted in lieu thereof as a new clause:—

8. (1.) Subject to the provisions of this Act, every person who at any time after the coming into operation of this Act attains the full age of sixty-five years or upwards shall thereafter be entitled to a pension of *ten* shillings per week for the rest of his life, provided—

- (a.) That he is residing in the colony on the date when he establishes his claim to the pension; and also
- (b.) That he has so resided for, in all, not less than twenty years on such date; and also
- (c.) That he has so resided continuously for not less than three years immediately preceding such date; and also
- (d.) That he has not been absent from the colony for, in all, more than eighteen months during the period of ten years immediately preceding such date; and also
- (e.) That his total income from all sources (exclusive of his personal earnings and his pension) does not exceed the rate of *fifty* pounds per year; and also
- (f.) That he is the holder of a pension-certificate as hereinunder provided.

(2.) For the purposes of this section, a person whilst in prison shall be deemed to be absent from and not residing in the colony.

Hon. Major STEWARD, in Committee, to move:—

Section 8, paragraph (d): Strike out “amount to the rate of thirty-six,” and insert “exceed the sum of fifty-one.” Also, strike out all the words after “year” down to the word “provided,” inclusive.

Section 9, line 19: Strike out “*ten* shillings”; also, same line, strike out “*three* pounds,” and insert “*one* pound.” Line 20: After “income” insert “above *thirty-four* pounds.” Line 21: Strike out “thirty-six,” and insert “fifty-two”; in same line, after the word “upwards,” insert “inclusive of pension.”

Section 13: Strike out subsections (1), (2), and (5). In subsection (6), line 7: After “income,” insert “inclusive of pension”; and after the word “exceeds,” strike out “thirty-six,” and insert “fifty-two.”

Mr. SLIGO, in Committee, to move:—

Clause 8, paragraph (d) of subsection (1), line 2: After “*thirty-four* pounds per annum,” [inserted yesterday after the word “earnings”], to add the words “and any superannuation allowance from any society or corporation up to twenty-six pounds per annum.”