SUPPLEMENTARY ORDER PAPER.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, the 4th Day of October, 1904.

PUBLIC HEALTH BILL.

Mr. Witty, in Committee, to move the following new clauses:—

A. (1.) Where any local authority itself undertakes the removal, of nightsoil, &c. collection, and disposal of house refuse or other rubbish or nightsoil, the cleansing of privies, ashpits, or drains, or the supply of disinfectants for use in privies, such local authority may, in respect of all or any of such works, levy a uniform annual fee in lieu of such separate rate, as provided in section fifteen of "The Public Health Amendment Act, 1903," but so that the total proceeds of such fee shall not exceed the proceeds of the rate.

Amendment Act. 1903.

Repeal.

(2.) Such fee shall be recoverable in the same manner as if it were a rate under "The Rating Act, 1894."

B. (1.) Section four of the "The Public Health Amendment Act. 1903," is hereby amended by repealing subsection two, and substituting in lieu thereof the following subsections:-

Contribution to providing and maintaining infectious hospitals.

(2.) The cost of providing and maintaining such hospital shall apportioned among such local authorities as the Chief Health Officer directs, in such shares as those local authorities may agree on, at a meeting of such local authorities to be called by the District Health Officer at such time and place as he shall direct; or as, in the absence of any agreement being arrived at at such meeting, a Magistrate by order, after hearing the District Health Officer and the local authorities, directs."

(2a.) In apportioning the shares in which the local authorities are to contribute regard shall be had—

(a.) To the distance of the district of each authority from the hospital and the means of access thereto; and

(b.) To the population of each such district.