SUPPLEMENTARY ORDER PAPER.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

Thursday, the 20th Day of July, 1905.

PUBLIC WORKS AMENDMENT BILL.

Mr. HARDING, in Committee, to move the addition of the following new clause:-

Amendment of section 46 of principal Act. 3. (1.) In lieu of appointing an Assessor under section forty-six of the principal Act the respondent may if he thinks fit, within the time limited by that section for the appointment of such Assessor, offer as compensation for any land required for a public work a sum equal to fifty per centum over the amount at which the same is assessed under "The Government Valuation of Land Act, 1896":

Provided that where the land required to be taken for such public work does not comprise the whole of any section of land, the offer of compensation shall be for the whole of such section, and the notice shall state that the whole of such section will be taken.

(2.) A copy of such notice shall be filed in the Court for filing the claim, and thereupon the Court shall award the amount offered

as aforesaid as compensation for the land.

(3.) Where the respondent takes under this section more land than was originally intended to be taken he may deal with any land not required for the public work in such manner as he thinks fit.