

SUPPLEMENTARY ORDER PAPER.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

Friday, the 14th day of August, 1885.

RATING ACT AMENDMENT BILL (No. 2).

Hon. Mr. TOLE, in Committee, to move,—

Clause 1. To omit "Rating Act 1882," substitute "Rating Acts 1876 and 1882."

To add the following new clause:—

1A. All property which is defined by "The Rating Act, 1882," to be rateable property under that Act shall be deemed to be rateable property under "The Rating Act, 1876," and all property which by "The Rating Act, 1882," or any Act passed or to be passed in amendment thereof, is excepted from the definition of rateable property under "The Rating Act, 1882," shall be also excepted from the definition of rateable property under "The Rating Act, 1876."

Provided that nothing in this section contained shall be deemed in any way to affect or alter any of the provisions of "The Crown and Native Lands Rating Act, 1882."

Section thirty-seven of "The Rating Act, 1876," is hereby repealed.

Title. To insert before "The Rating Act, 1882," the words "The Rating Act 1876," and

COUNTIES ACTS AMENDMENT BILL.

Mr. COWAN, in Committee, to move the following:—

After 33D,—

For the purpose of affording aid to the owners of private lands in the construction of drainage works under "The Drainage Act, 1881," the Council of any county may, on petition of a majority of such owners of land in any portion of a county within the same riding, by special order from time to time, declare such portion to be a special district, and may impose and levy on all lands in such district a separate rate for the purpose of effecting drainage works as aforesaid in such district not exceeding three shillings per acre in each year for so long as the rate shall be necessary on all lands to be benefited by such drainage.

All lands in the special district shall be classified by the Council, or as it shall appoint, into—

Lands principally benefited by the drainage, and

Lands less benefited thereby;

and the latter class of lands shall only be liable to one-half the amount of rate in each year to be paid by the first class of such lands.

Every such rate shall be deemed to be a rate made under "The Rating Act, 1882," and may be levied, sued for, and recovered under the said Act.

Every County Council shall be deemed to be empowered under the Act last mentioned to have power and may make special valuation-rolls for the purposes of this section, and may otherwise do all things necessary to give effect to the provisions of this section.