SUPPLEMENTARY ORDER PAPER.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

Friday, the 4th Day of October, 1895.

RATING ACT AMENDMENT BILL.

Mr. TE Ao, in Committee, to move the following as a new clause:—

That no rates or taxes shall be levied on the unleased lands of the West Coast Settlement Reserves until such lands have been subdivided and individualised in a manner which will enable the Native owners to beneficially occupy them, and thus render them so remunerative as to be in a condition to bear the burden of rates and taxes.

[TRANSLATION.]

Kaua he reiti he taake ranei e tonoa mo nga whenua e takoto riihi kore ana o nga Rahui o te Tai Hauauru kia wawahia ra ano aua whenua ki ia tangata i runga i tetahi tikanga e taea ai e nga Maori nona aua whenua te noho aua whenua i runga i tetahi ritenga e puta ai he painga ki a ratou i te mea ma tera e puta ai he rawa i aua whenua hei utu haere i nga reiti me nga taake.

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

Nothing in this Act or the principal Act shall apply to any land where the Native owner or owners of such land are prevented by law from leasing or selling his or their land to persons other than the Crown: Provided that nothing in this section shall apply to lands which are being beneficially occupied by any Native owner or owners of such land.

[Translation.]

Kaua he mea i roto tenei Ture i te tino Ture ranei e pa ki te whenua mehemea e araia ana nga tangata Maori nona taua whenua e te ture kia kore ai ratou e ahei ki te riihi ki te hoko ranei i taua whenua ki tetahi tangata ehara nei i te Karauna: Engari kaua he mea i roto i tenei tekiona e pa ki nga whenua e nohoia ana e nga Maori nona a e puta ana he oranga mo ratou i aua whenua.