SUPPLEMENTARY ORDER PAPER.

REPRESENTATIVES. HOUSE OF

Thursday, the 18th Day of October, 1900.

RESERVES AND OTHER LANDS SALE, DISPOSAL, AND ENABLING AND PUBLIC BODIES EMPOWERING BILL.

Mr. LANG, in Committee, to move the following additional clause :---

Appellate Court to hear appeal as to Lot 66, Waipa Survey District.

To give effect to the recommendation of the Native Affairs Committee of the House of Representatives on the petition of Anatipa Pukatea and others in reference to the partition of Lot Sixty-six, Waipa Survey District, the Appellate Court is hereby empowered and directed to deal with any appeal which has been lodged against the decision of the Court in making the said partition as if such appeal had been lodged in due time.

Mr. SYMES, in Committee, to move the following new clause :---

Lease of John

13A. Whereas John Eliott is the present holder of a lease of seven Eliot from the Auckland Land hundred and seventy-two acres of land, being part of Section Two of Board. Block V., Awakino District, for the term of thirty years, with a right of purchase at ten shillings an acre : And whereas the said land was (with other land) included in a prior lease held by him for a like period, with a right of purchase at seven shillings and sixpence an acre: And whereas the prior lease was cancelled by the Auckland Land Board by reason of a technical informality in the application therefor: And whereas the purchasing-price of the present lease was fixed at ten shillings an acre by reason of there being included in the computation of the value of the land certain improvements effected by the said John Eliott whilst lessee under the prior lease: And whereas it is equitable that the said John Eliott should be placed in the same position as if his improvements had not been so included: Now, therefore, be it enacted that the said John Eliott shall be entitled to surrender the present lease and obtain from the Auckland Land Board a fresh lease of the land, for the same term and subject to the same conditions as the present lease, save that there shall be a right of purchase at the rate of seven shillings and sixpence an acre. and that the rental shall be computed on that basis; and the said Board is hereby empowered and directed to accept such surrender and grant such fresh lease accordingly.

Hon. Mr. DUNCAN, in Committee, to move the addition of the following new clause :-Reserve 2223, Whereas Reserve 2223, in the Canterbury Land District, Rakaia Survey Rakaia Survey District, containing by admeasurement five acres, was District.

set apart for a gravel-pit and vested in the Ashburton County Council:

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And whereas the whole of the reserve is not required for gravel: Be it therefore enacted as follows :-

The Governor is hereby empowered to change the purpose of four acres of reserve numbered 2223 aforesaid from a gravel-pit to a reserve for a public garden.

Sections 88–91, Town of Blenheim, vested in Borough of Blenheim.

Sections 88, 89, 90, and 91, of the Town of Blenheim, containing one acre and two roods, which were acquired for the purpose of constructing a railway via Taylor Pass, but are no longer required for that purpose, are hereby declared to be vested in the Borough of Blenheim as a municipal endowment.

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

Thomas Hawkins Smith's claim to 600 acres in the Maungarangi Block.

Whereas the Native Affairs Committee, under date the eleventh day of September, one thousand nine hundred, have recommended, on the petition of Thomas Hawkins Smith, to the effect that he should be given a free grant of six hundred acres of the Maungarangi Block in full satisfaction of his claim with respect to that block : It is hereby enacted that the Governor may grant to the said Thomas Hawkins Smith six hundred acres of the said block in fee-simple, in full satisfaction of all claims he may have had in reference to such block, or of any transactions in Native lands.

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

For hearing by the Native kawa Block.

Whereas the Native Affairs Committee of the House of Appellate Court Representatives have recommended that effect be given to their of the investiga- report, bearing date the fifteenth day of September, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-nine, on the petition of Maku Ellison and others in reference to the investigation of the title to the Poukawa Block: Any Native interested or claiming an interest in the said land may, within one month after the coming into operation of this Act, give notice of appeal to the Native Appellate Court from any order of the Native Land Court or Native Appellate Court made on the investigation of the title of the said block; and, if such notice be given, the Native Appellate Court shall have jurisdiction to hear and determine such appeal as if such notice had been given within the time limited by section eighty-four of "The Native Land Court Act. 1894 " : Provided that, before the Appellate Court shall proceed to hear and determine the case as between the parties claiming ownership in the said block, the appellants shall lodge with the Registrar of the Native Land Court at Wellington a sum of money which, in the opinion of the Chief Judge of the said Court, shall be sufficient to cover the costs of the respondents in case the decision of the Appellate Court shall be in their favour: And provided further that such inquiry shall be restricted to those persons who preferred claims to the said land upon previous investigations before the Native Land Court and the Native Appellate Court.

Mr. A. L. D. FRASER, in Committee, to move the addition of the following new clause :-

Extension of time in which by Natives in succession to Wahanui Huatere.

Whereas the Native Affairs Committee of the House of may be given report, bearing date the eleventh day of September, one thousand nine hundred, on the petition of Kahu Huatare, in reference to the granting of probate of the will of Wahanui Huatare by the Native Appellate Court: Any person claiming an interest in the estate of the said Wahanui Huatare may, within two months after the coming into operation of this Act, give notice of appeal to the Native Appellate Court from the order of the said Court granting probate of the said will; and, if such notice be given, the said Court shall have jurisdiction to hear and determine such appeal as if such notice had been given

within the time limited by section eighty-four of "The Native Land Court Act, 1894": Provided that before the said Court shall proceed to hear and determine the case the appellants shall lodge with the Registrar of the Native Land Court at Auckland a sum of money which, in the opinion of the Chief Judge of the Native Land Court, shall be sufficient to cover the costs of the respondents in case the decision of the Appellate Court shall be in their favour.

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

Court to inquire into ownership on partition of reserves for Blocks.

Whereas on the sale to the Crown of the Ruakituri, Tukurangi, and Taramarama Blocks, situated in the Poverty Bay Land Registration District, the reserves in each block respectively from Ruskituri enumerated in the Second Schedule hereto were reconveyed by the Tom Ruskituri, enumerated in the Becond Bonotatio horors in the declared by the Tukurangi, and Crown each to the whole of the persons theretofore declared by the Native Land Court (in this section hereinafter referred to as "the Court") to be the owners (hereinafter called "the vendors") of the said blocks: And whereas it is now alleged that, according to the understood conditions of the sale aforesaid, each reserve should have been reconveyed in accordance with family and hapu interests and occupation, and not indiscriminately to the whole of the vendors of each block respectively: And whereas it is further alleged that the persons declared by the Court to be the owners of the said blocks were not in each case the whole of the persons so entitled: And whereas it is expedient that the Court should be empowered to rearrange the ownership of each reserve on a basis which will more equitably conserve the interests of all persons found to be beneficially interested :

Be it therefore enacted as follows :----

- (a.) On application being made to the Court for partition of the said reserves, or any of them, the provisions of section fifty-two of "The Native Land Laws Amend-ment Act, 1895," shall apply as if such lands were still held under orders of the Court on original investiga-tion of title, and had not become the subject of Crown grants or Land Transfer certificates of title.
- (b.) The Court may, on such partition, include as owners of the said lands, or any of them, any persons, or the representatives of any persons deceased, who, in the opinion of the Court, were inadvertently and without intention on the part of the Court omitted from the list of owners of any of the said blocks on the investigation of the title thereto: Provided that no claim shall be admitted under the provision aforesaid except such as is consistent with the finding of the Court on the original investigation of title.
- (c.) The District Land Registrar shall do all things necessary on his part to give effect to any order of the Court under the foregoing provisions, and may for that purpose cancel any existing certificate of title and issue such other certificates of title under the provisions of the Land Transfer Act as may be necessary or expedient: Provided also that all persons admitted into the title to any of the said lands under the provisions of this section shall hold the same subject to all leases or other dealings with such lands lawfully entered into prior to the passing of this Act.

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SECOND SCHEDULE.

Reserves for Natives out of Lands sold to the Crown.

Ruakituri Block.

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