

**SUPPLEMENTARY ORDER PAPER.**

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**HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.**

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Friday, the 14th Day of August, 1896.

Mr. G. HUTCHISON, on going into Committee of Supply, to move,—(1.) That, in the opinion of this House, it is essential to the well-being of the colony that all classes of the community should have implicit confidence in the impartial and fearless administration of justice in the Courts of the colony. (2.) That, apart from the personal character of the Judges, it is essential, in order to inspire the community with that confidence, that the Judges should be independent, and absolutely free from any possible Executive or political influence. (3.) That the tenure of office of District Court Judges and Magistrates with extended jurisdiction should be during ability and good behaviour, and not, as at present, during the pleasure of the Executive. (4.) That the salaries of such Judges and Magistrates should be adequate, and fixed by Act of Parliament.