

SUPPLEMENTARY ORDER PAPER.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

Thursday, the 30th day of October, 1884.

NOTICES OF MOTION.

Mr. Moss to move as an amendment on the Federation Resolutions of the Hon. Mr. Stout:—

That the following be substituted for the subclauses marked (e), (f), and (g):

That, while rejoicing in the prospect of a federal union among the colonies of the Australian Continent, this House is of opinion that the distance of New Zealand, her insular position, and the homogeneous character of her population, render it desirable that no step should be taken to include her in such federation until the federal policy with reference to the Customs tariff, to the immigration and employment of uncivilized races as labourers, and to other matters affecting the future well-being and happiness of her people shall be known and settled.

TIMBER FLOATING BILL.

The Hon. Mr. TOLE to move the following amendments:—

In clause 5. After "or workmen" to convert the remaining words into subsection (1.), and to add the following subsection:—

(2.) To enter upon any land and remove therefrom any logs, lumber, or other material above mentioned, which may have become deposited on such land by such rafting, floating, or driving, or through any overflow of the waters of any such river, stream, or tidal creek as aforesaid.

No such owner shall be deemed a trespasser by entry on any such land in virtue of the authority hereby granted, but he shall nevertheless be liable to pay for any injury, spoil, or damage done to such lands, or to any buildings or fences erected thereon by or through the removal of such logs, lumber, or other materials.

Clause 7. To omit "the power," substitute "any of the powers."

Clause 8. Same amendment as last foregoing.

Clause 10. To omit all words between "such claim" and "and the said Assessors," and to substitute "and making an award thereon two experienced persons shall sit with the Resident Magistrate as Assessors."

To add to the clause,—

One of the Assessors in each case shall be appointed by the claimant, and the other by the person against whom the claim is made, but on failure of either party, or both, in making any such appointment, the Resident Magistrate may nominate any person or persons as Assessor or Assessors to sit with him in the case.

Clause 11 to be omitted and the following substituted:—

11. The Court shall fix and determine the amount of the costs of the inquiry as between party and party, and shall include the same in their award, and shall direct by whom such costs shall be paid.

But, if the sum awarded does not exceed three-fourths of the amount claimed, the claimant shall not be entitled to recover any costs, unless the Court shall otherwise direct.

The Court may in any case declare that no costs shall be awarded, and the fact shall be stated in the award.

If costs are given in favour of either party, the payment thereof may be enforced in like manner as a judgment of the Resident Magistrate's Court.

Awards of costs
in compensation
cases.