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1919, No. 21.—*Local and Personal.*

Title.	AN ACT to constitute Hauraki Plains County. [4th November, 1919.]
Preamble.	WHEREAS by section ten of the Counties Act, 1908, it is enacted that no new county shall be constituted save as therein mentioned, except under a special Act, and that no new county shall be so constituted as to contain parts only of any road district or town district: And whereas it is desirable to provide that portions of the counties of Thames, Ohinemuri, and Piako shall be formed into a new county to be called "The Hauraki Plains County": BE IT THEREFORE ENACTED by the General Assembly of New Zealand in Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:—
Short Title.	1. This Act may be cited as the Hauraki Plains, Thames, Ohinemuri, and Piako Counties Act, 1919.
Commencement.	2. This Act shall come into operation on the first day of April, nineteen hundred and twenty.
County constituted.	3. The Hauraki Plains County is hereby constituted. It shall comprise those portions of the counties of Thames, Ohinemuri, and Piako particularly described in the First Schedule hereto.
Alteration of boundaries of Thames County.	4. The boundaries of the County of Thames are hereby altered, and shall be as described in the Second Schedule hereto.
Alteration of boundaries of Ohinemuri County.	5. The boundaries of the County of Ohinemuri are hereby altered, and shall be as described in the Third Schedule hereto.
Alteration of boundaries of Piako County.	6. The boundaries of the County of Piako are hereby altered, and shall be as described in the Fourth Schedule hereto.

7. The provisions in the Harbours Amendment Act, 1910, that the electors of the Thames County shall return one member to the Thames Harbour Board and that the electors of the Ohinemuri County shall return one member to such Harbour Board are hereby repealed, and in lieu thereof it is hereby enacted that the electors of the counties of Hauraki Plains, Thames, and Ohinemuri shall henceforth jointly return two members to such Harbour Board; and the said counties shall be a combined district for the purposes of the last-mentioned Act.

Representation on
Harbour Board.

8. From and after the coming into operation of this Act no local body other than the Hauraki Plains County Council shall, within the limits of the county, exercise any jurisdiction or authority over any roads, or over or in relation to any matter or thing in respect of which jurisdiction is conferred upon County Councils under any Act.

Jurisdiction
conferred.

9. Nothing herein contained or implied shall affect the powers of the Minister of Lands under section three of the Hauraki Plains Act, 1908.

Powers of Minister
of Lands.

10. Nothing herein contained shall affect the power of the Governor-General to proclaim any portion of the said counties a borough or town district.

Power of Governor-
General to proclaim
counties, &c., not
affected.

11. (1.) The Government subsidy payable to the County of Thames as hitherto constituted shall be divided proportionately according to the rateable value of the Thames County and that part of the Hauraki Plains County formerly forming part of the Thames County.

Subsidy.

(2.) The Government subsidy payable to the County of Ohinemuri as hitherto constituted shall be divided proportionately according to the rateable value of the Ohinemuri County and that part of the Hauraki Plains County formerly forming part of Ohinemuri County.

(3.) No greater amount of subsidy in the aggregate shall be paid in any year in respect of the counties of Hauraki Plains, Thames, and Ohinemuri than would have been payable in respect of the counties of Thames and Ohinemuri if this Act had not been passed.

(4.) Section nine of the Appropriation Act, 1916, shall be read subject to the provisions of this section.

SCHEDULES.

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FIRST SCHEDULE.

BOUNDARIES OF HAURAKI PLAINS COUNTY.

ALL that area in the Land District of Auckland bounded generally towards the east by a line commencing at a point midway in the mouth of the Waihou River; thence following up the centre of the said river in a southerly direction to a point in line with the north-western bank of the canals in Canal Reserve, Block XII, Waihou Survey District; thence to and by the said north-western bank in a south-westerly

direction to the centre of the Waihou River in line with the said bank; thence generally following the centre of the said river in a southerly direction to a point in line with the south-eastern side of the Tahuna-Paeroa Road; thence bounded towards the south-east by the south-eastern side of the said road to the centre of the Piako River; thence following up the centre of the said river in a southerly direction to a point in line with the south boundary of Willis's Grant, in Block XI, Waitoa Survey District; thence to and by the southern boundaries of said Willis's Grant and Sections 7, 3, and 2, all in Block IX aforesaid, and along the south-eastern boundary of Hoe-o-Tainui South No. 4A Block to its south-western corner; thence towards the west by the eastern boundary of Waikato County as defined in *Gazette*, 1882, page 1953, in a northerly direction to the sea; thence towards the north by the sea to the point of commencement.

SECOND SCHEDULE.

AMENDED BOUNDARIES OF THAMES COUNTY.

ALL that area in the Auckland Land District bounded towards the north commencing at the mouth of the Waikawau River; thence along the said river to its source; thence by a straight line to the northern head of Tairua Harbour; towards the east by the sea to the mouth of the Otahu River; towards the south by the northern boundary of Ohinemuri County as defined in *Gazette*, 1917, page 1868, to the confluence of the Waihou River with the Hikutaia River on the eastern boundary of the Hauraki Plains County hereinbefore described; towards the west in a northerly direction by the said boundary of the said county to the sea; thence in a northerly direction by the sea to the point of commencement: excluding the Borough of Thames.

THIRD SCHEDULE.

AMENDED BOUNDARIES OF OHINEMURI COUNTY.

ALL that area in the Auckland Land District bounded towards the north-east by the sea from the mouth of the Otahu River to the mouth of the Waihi River; thence towards the south-east by a right line to the summit of Te Aroha Mountain; thence towards the south by a right line running due west to the eastern boundary of the Borough of Te Aroha; thence by that borough to where it meets the Waihou River; thence towards the west in a northerly direction by the centre of the said river to the south-eastern corner of Hauraki Plains County hereinbefore described; thence by the eastern boundary of the said county to the confluence of the Waihou and Hikutaia Rivers; thence towards the north by the southern boundary of the County of Thames hereinbefore described to the mouth of the Otahu River, the place of commencement: excluding the boroughs of Waihi and Paeroa.

FOURTH SCHEDULE.

AMENDED BOUNDARIES OF PIAKO COUNTY.

ALL that area in the Auckland Land District bounded towards the north-west by a right line, starting at the south-western corner of Hoe-o-Tainui South No. 4A Block, in Block XII, Hapuakohe Survey District, and proceeding thence in a north-easterly direction along the south-eastern boundary of the said Hoe-o-Tainui South No. 4A Block; thence bounded towards the north by the south boundaries of Sections Nos. 2, 3, 7, and Willis's Grant, all in Block IX, Waitoa Survey District, and to the Piako River; thence towards the north by the last-named boundary produced to the centre of the Piako River; thence bounded towards the west by a line running down the centre of that river to the Tahuna-Paeroa Road crossing; thence bounded towards

the north-west by the south-east side of that road and its production to the centre of the Waihou River; thence bounded towards the north-east by a line running up the centre of that river to the Borough of Te Aroha; thence bounded towards the east, north, and west generally by that borough as described in *Gazette* No. 30, of the 28th May, 1898, and towards the north by a line running due east to Mount Te Aroha Trig. Station; thence bounded towards the north-west by a line running north-east in the direction of Ngakuriawhare Trig. Station, Block I, Katikati North Survey District, to the western boundary of the Tauranga Confiscation Block; thence bounded towards the north-east by Tauranga County as described in the Counties Act, 1886; thence bounded towards the south-east generally by Matamata County as described in the Second Schedule to the Matamata County Act, 1908, to the confiscation-line which forms the eastern boundary of Waikato County; thence bounded towards the west generally by the said confiscation-line forming the eastern boundary of Waikato County as described in *Gazette* No. 111, of the 30th December, 1882, to the place of commencement: excluding the Morrinsville Town District.
