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[8th September, 1883.

47 VICT.

BE IT ENACTED by the General Assembly of New Zealand in Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:—

1. The Short Title of this Act is "The Justices of the Peace

Act 1882 Amendment Act, 1883."

2. In this Act "the said Act" means "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

3. The term of imprisonment mentioned in the one hundred and seventy-eighth section of the said Act shall be six months instead of three months; and in the third part of the Second Schedule to the said Act the words "five pounds" shall be inserted in lieu of "forty

shillings."

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> 4. Notwithstanding anything contained in the said Act, whenever any person shall be charged with any offence mentioned in the second or third parts of the Second Schedule to the said Act, the Justices before whom such charge shall be made, if satisfied that the value of the property being the subject of such charge does not exceed forty shillings, may, in their discretion, hear and determine such charge without giving the person charged the option of being tried by a jury, and, except as herein provided, all the provisions of the said Act and this Act shall apply accordingly.

Adjudication valid although value greater than proved.

5. No adjudication under the said Act or this Act shall be invalidated although it should subsequently be proved that the value of the property exceeded five pounds or forty shillings, as the case may be.

6. The one hundred and ninety-first, one hundred and ninety- Repeal of certain second, and one hundred and ninety-third sections of the said Act are hereby repealed; but every conviction purporting to have been made Act, 1882." under the said repealed sections, or either of them, and subsisting at the date of the passing of this Act, shall be deemed valid and effectual for all purposes whatsoever.

7. Whenever an appeal shall be heard before the Supreme Court or District Court in which it may be allowed by or under the said Act that evidence should be given on the hearing of such appeal, any such to have all the court shall have all such jurisdiction and authority to hear and authority Justices had to receive receive evidence as the Justices from whose decision such appeal is evidence. made had or could have exercised.

8. In the first paragraph of the two hundred and forty-ninth Amendment of section of the said Act the words "to the Court" shall be read "of Justices of the Peace" the Court."

Act, 1882."

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