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1896, No. 52.

Title. AN ACT to amend "The Public Reserves Vesting and Sale Act, 1892."
[17th October, 1896.]

Preamble. WHEREAS by "The Public Reserves Vesting and Sale Act, 1892" (hereinafter called "the principal Act"), certain lands, whereof the parcel of land described in the Schedule hereto forms part, were vested in and transferred to the Corporation of the City of Dunedin as an endowment for that city: And whereas by "The Public Reserves Vesting and Sale Amendment Act, 1895," leave was given to one John Colvin to assert by suit his title to a portion of the lands so vested in the said Corporation: And whereas the said John Colvin has succeeded in establishing by judgment of the Supreme Court his title to the portion so claimed by him: And whereas William Matthew Hodgkins, the owner in fee-simple of sections numbered respectively seven and eight, Block Thirty-six, Dunedin, claims to be entitled to other portion of the parcel of land so vested in and transferred to the said Corporation by the said principal Act: And whereas it is expedient that the said William Matthew Hodgkins should be afforded similar facilities to those conferred upon the said John Colvin for asserting by suit his title to that portion of the parcel of land so vested in the said Corporation as aforesaid which is described in the Schedule hereto:

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. The Short Title of this Act is "The Public Reserves Vesting and Sale Amendment Act, 1896," and it shall be read with the principal Act.

Power to William Matthew Hodgkins to assert by suit his title to land in Schedule. 2. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in the principal Act, it is hereby declared that the parcel of land described in the Schedule hereto, and which by that Act was vested in and transferred to the Corporation of the City of Dunedin, shall be held

by that Corporation, subject to the conditions following, that is to say,—

- (1.) That the said William Matthew Hodgkins or other, the owner in fee-simple of sections numbered seven and eight, Block Thirty-six, Dunedin, may at any time within twelve months after the passing of this Act, but not later, assert by suit his title to the said parcel of land in like manner as if the principal Act had not been passed; and also
- (2.) That, if the said William Matthew Hodgkins succeeds in establishing his title to the said parcel of land, the said Corporation will execute in his favour a memorandum of transfer thereof discharged from the trusts created by the principal Act.

3. Such transfer, if executed pursuant to such judgment, shall be exempt from stamp duty or registration fees; and the District Land Registrar shall register the same accordingly.

Transfer to be exempt from fees.

4. If the said William Matthew Hodgkins fails to commence such suit within the time limited in that behalf by this Act, the conditions prescribed by section two hereof shall be deemed to have lapsed.

Provision if suit not commenced.

5. No such suit shall be commenced after the expiration of twelve months from the passing of this Act.

No suit after twelve months.

SCHEDULE.

Schedule.

ALL that parcel of land in the City of Dunedin, containing 1 rood 33 poles, more or less, bounded towards the north by Sections Nos. 7 and 8, Block XXXVI.; towards the east by other portions of the parcel of land vested in the Corporation of the City of Dunedin by the principal Act; towards the south by the Water of Leith; and towards the west by Clyde Street.