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No. 57.

**AN ACT to authorize the issue of Crown Grants for certain reserves for public purposes in the Province of Canterbury.** Title.  
*[10th October 1867.]*

**W**HEREAS by the nineteenth clause of the Waste Lands Regulations of the Province of Canterbury it is declared that reserves for the uses of the Provincial Government and other public purposes may upon the recommendation of the Provincial Council be made by the Superintendent and shall not be alienated from the specific purposes to which they shall have been severally dedicated except under the provisions of an Act of the General Assembly intituled "The Public Reserves Act, 1854" and whereas in pursuance of the powers given by the said clause reserves have been from time to time made for churches chapels and cemeteries for the use and benefit of different religious bodies in the said Province and whereas doubts have been expressed as to whether such reserves are reserves for public purposes within the meaning of the aforesaid regulations and it is expedient that powers should be given for the effectual conveying of such reserves to trustees appointed by the religious bodies for whose benefit such reserves have been made Preamble.

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 shall be "The Canterbury Public Reserves Act 1867." Short Title.

2. It shall be lawful for the Governor in the name and on behalf of Her Majesty to make and execute Crown Grants in the usual form to the Superintendent of the Province of Canterbury of all such lands as have been reserved by the Superintendent of the said Province of Canterbury from time to time under the nineteenth clause of the Waste Lands Regulations of the said Province for churches chapels or cemeteries and any land so granted shall be deemed to have been duly granted under "The Public Reserves Act 1854." Governor to execute Crown Grants.

3. It shall be lawful for the Superintendent of the said Province of Canterbury to convey and assure all such land to the respective trustees and their successors of the several religious denominations bodies or societies in whose favour such respective reserves may have been originally made and the term "trustees" shall with reference to any such denomination body or society be deemed to mean the person or persons or body ecclesiastical or secular to whom or which in the opinion of the Superintendent such conveyance will according to the usages or practices of such denomination body or society be most fittingly made having regard to the due preservation and observance of the trusts for which such lands were reserved. Superintendent to convey land.

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