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1887, No. 18.—*Local.*

Title. AN ACT to empower the County Council of Wairarapa North to sell certain Portions of the Main Road Reserve in the Settlement of Eketahuna. [23rd December, 1887.]

Preamble. WHEREAS the Main Road Reserve through the Settlement of Eketahuna, in the Forty-mile Bush, was originally laid off three chains wide for road and railway purposes: And whereas the line of railway through the said settlement was subsequently located and is now being constructed without the limits of the said reserve, in consequence of which no portion of the said reserve will be required for the purposes of the Railway Department: And whereas great inconvenience arises from the excessive width of the said reserve through the said settlement, and it is expedient that power should be given to the Council of the Wairarapa North County to sell a certain portion of the said reserve:

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 Wairarapa North County Council Empowering Act, 1887."

Interpretation. 2. Where used in this Act,—
"Council" shall mean the body corporate of the Council of Wairarapa North County, comprising the Chairman, Councillors, and inhabitants thereof;
"Road" shall mean and include all that portion of the main road reserve through the Settlement of Eketahuna lying between the south-western angle of Section seven, Block

ten, and the southern end of the bridge across the Makakahi River in Section twenty-two, Block six, both in the Mangaone Survey District.

3. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in any Act or Acts of the General Assembly of New Zealand relating to the purchase and sale of lands, or dealings with roads, the Council may by absolute sale dispose of a strip of land on either side of the road, neither more nor less than seventy-five links in width from the eastern and western boundaries thereof; but such sale shall only be made to the owners respectively for the time being of the freehold land fronting the present road.

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4. The frontage which each owner of the freehold land shall be at liberty to purchase shall be determined by producing the original section-lines, or, where any subdivision of sections has taken place, the subdivision-lines, to such a distance as will intersect lines parallel to and seventy-five links distant from the original boundaries of the road; but due provision shall be made for maintaining the junction of all by-roads with the main road to the full width.

How frontage to be determined.

5. The Council may determine the price at which the lands authorised hereby to be disposed of shall be sold: Provided that in no case shall a less sum be taken than the property-tax valuation of the adjoining land exclusive of improvements thereon.

Council to fix price, subject to certain conditions.

6. It shall not be necessary for the Council to execute conveyances of any of the said lands to the purchasers respectively, but, upon payment of the amount due, each purchaser shall be entitled to receive from the Council a receipt or discharge in the form set forth in the Schedule hereto, sealed with the common seal of the Council, and such receipt or discharge shall authorise the District Land Registrar at Wellington to issue certificates of title to the said purchasers.

Receipt or discharge for purchase-money to be sufficient title to land.

7. The proceeds of any such sale as hereinbefore mentioned shall be devoted to the following purposes: First, to the payment of all reasonable charges incurred by the Council in connection with the passing of this Bill; any balance which may remain or accrue thereafter shall be used by the Council in repairing and maintaining the said road.

Disposal of proceeds of sales.

8. Notwithstanding the provisions aforesaid the Council may withhold from sale any portion or portions of the said land fronting subsections eleven to twenty-two, both inclusive, being parts of Section Thirteen, Block Six, Mangaone Survey District, and shown on the map of the said township of Eketahuna, which may be required as metal reserves, or that of any persons holding leases whose frontages are affected by this Act who shall, in writing, send in an objection to the County Council on or before the first day of March, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-eight.

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Schedule.

SCHEDULE.

RECEIPT OR DISCHARGE UNDER THE PROVISIONS OF "THE WAIRARAPA NORTH
COUNTY COUNCIL EMPOWERING ACT, 1887."

THIS is to certify that [*Here insert name of purchaser in full*] has this day paid to
the Council of the County of Wairarapa North the sum of pounds
 shillings and pence, being the amount of purchase-money, at the
rate of per acre, for acres roods and perches of
land, part of the original road reserve, fronting [*Here describe the sections or sub-
sections, as the case may be*], in the Township of Eketahuna, in the said county.

Dated this day of , 188 .

(L.S.)

, Treasurer.