This Public Bill originated in the House of Representatives, and, having this day passed as now printed, is transmitted to the LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL for its concurrence.

House of Representatives, 6th November, 1901.

Rt. Hon. R. J. Seddon.

CHATHAM ISLANDS COUNTY.

ANALYSIS.

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A BILL INTITULED

An Act to constitute the Chatham Islands a County under "The Title. Counties Act, 1886."

BE IT ENACTED by the General Assembly of New Zealand 5 in Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows :---

1. The Short Title of this Act is "The Chatham Islands County Short Title. Act, 1901."

2. The islands known as the Chatham Islands are hereby con- Chatham Islands 10 stituted a county under "The Counties Act, 1886."

3. The Governor may, at any time after the passing of this Act, by Proclamation,

(1.) Divide the county into ridings, with such names and boundaries as he thinks fit;

(2.) Fix the number of members to be elected for each riding, but so that the number of members for the whole Council shall not exceed nine;

(3.) Appoint some person to make up an electors' roll for each of the said ridings;

(4.) Prescribe the manner in which such electors' roll shall be made up;

(5.) Appoint a time and place for holding the election of the first Council; and

(6.) Generally making provision for bringing this Act into operation.

By Authority: JOHN MACKAY, Government Printer, Wellington.-1901.

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