

(Hon. Sir D. McLean.)

Hawke's Bay Volunteers Grants.

ANALYSIS.

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A BILL INTITULED

AN ACT to authorize the Governor to make Grants of Land to certain Persons who were Members of the Hawke's Bay Volunteer Corps in the year 1865.

WHEREAS in the year one thousand eight hundred and sixty-five the men whose names are set forth in the Schedule hereto, formed part of the Hawke's Bay Volunteer Corps, which went from Napier to Waiapu, and there rendered important and meritorious services, fighting against rebel Maoris at a very critical period: And whereas it is expedient that a grant of forty acres of land should be made to each of such men as a reward for the services rendered as aforesaid:

BE IT THEREFORE 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 Hawke's Bay Volunteers Grants Act, 1875."

2. It shall be lawful for the Governor, in the name and on behalf of Her Majesty, to make and execute a Crown grant to each of the men whose names are set forth in the Schedule hereto, out of the lands hereinafter mentioned: Provided that before any grants shall be made under this Act it shall be lawful for the Governor, by a notice published in the *New Zealand Gazette*, to prescribe a time, not exceeding eighteen months from the passing of this Act, within which persons claiming to be entitled to such grants may establish such claims, and no such grant shall be made or executed unless the person or persons claiming the same shall give such reasonable proofs of identity, and of his or their right to such grant, as the Governor may from time to time prescribe.

Grants may be made out of confiscated lands or lands purchased from Native owners.

3. No grant under this Act shall be for an area exceeding forty acres, and every such grant may be made out of any lands taken under "The New Zealand Settlements Act, 1863," or any Act amending the same, or out of any other lands in the Province of Hawke's Bay which the Crown may have acquired or may acquire from the Native owners 5

Lands granted to be subject to provisions of "Crown Grants Act, 1866," and Acts amending same.

4. All such grants shall be made subject to the provisions of "The Crown Grants Act, 1866," and the several Acts amending the same, and shall be prepared and issued in accordance with the said Acts. 10

Grants to contain reservation of right to take roads.

5. In every grant authorized by this Act there shall be inserted a reservation to Her Majesty of the right to take any part of the land comprised therein, not exceeding at the rate of five acres for every one hundred acres, for the purpose of making or constructing any railway tramway road bridge ferry or other public work whatsoever, without payment of any sum, by way of compensation or allowance, for any land so taken for any of the purposes aforesaid. 15

SCHEDULE.

HAWKE'S BAY VOLUNTEERS WHO SERVED AT WAIAPU IN 1865.

Names.	Last known Address.	Names.	Last known Address.
Hodges, F. O. D. ...	Wanganui.	Currie, W. ...	Hawke's Bay.
Browne,— ...	Napier.	Blakeaway,— ...	England.
Moore, C. ...	Not known.	O'Donahue, D. ...	Napier.
Milford,— ...	Auckland.	Shaw, P. ...	Napier.
Hales, F. ...	Poverty Bay.	Deerlove,— ...	Deceased.
Grey, Bernard ...	Wanganui.	Davis, W. ...	England.
Crawford, R. ...	Kawakawa.	Costophin,— ...	Not known.
Blackstock, George ...	Poverty Bay.	Wallace, W. ...	Not known.
Mullooly, Michael ...	Tologa Bay.	Caseley,— ...	England.
Maloney, Peter ...	Hawke's Bay.	Watts, Ross ...	Waikato.
Craig, A. ...	Not known.	Reardon, W. ...	Not known.
Marsh, T. ...	Napier.	Jones, J. ...	Deceased.
Wixey, T. ...	Auckland.	Shirley, Thomas Edwards	Poverty Bay.
O'Neil, J. ...	Not known.	McKenzie— ...	Not known.