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

Legislative Council, 28th July, 1899.

Hon. Mr. Ormond.

## NAPIER HARBOUR BOARD AMENDMENT AND ENDOWMENT IMPROVEMENT.

# [LOCAL BILL.]

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### A BILL INTITULED

An Act to amend "The Napier Harbour Board Amendment and Title. Endowment Improvement Act, 1887," and "The Napier Harbour Board Amendment and Further Empowering Act, 1889," and to give Further Powers to the Napier Harbour Board to deal with the Lands described in the said Acts.

WHEREAS it has been found that the powers given to the Napier Preamble. Harbour Board by "The Napier Harbour Board Amendment and Endowment Improvement Act, 1887," and "The Napier Harbour 10 Board Amendment and Further Empowering Act, 1889," are insufficient to provide for the effectual reclamation and improvement of the lands mentioned in the said Act: And whereas it is expedient that such reclamation and improvement of the

said lands be carried out, inasmuch as such reclamation and 15 improvement would add materially to the value and productiveness of the said lands, and for such purpose it is expedient that a power to sell portion of the said lands should be given to the Napier Harbour Board, and that more extended powers than are now vested in the said Board of leasing the whole or part of the said 20 lands should be also given to the said Board:

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 is "The Napier Harbour Board Short Title. 25 Amendment and Endowment Improvement Act, 1899."

2. In this Act—

"The said Act of one thousand eight hundred and eightyseven" means "The Napier Harbour Board Amendment and Endowment Improvement Act, 1887 ":

"The said Act of one thousand eight hundred and eightynine" means "The Napier Harbour Board Amendment and Further Empowering Act, 1889":

No. 66-3.

Interpretation.

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"The Board" means the Napier Harbour Board:

"Public notice" means a notice published in some news-

paper having circulation in Napier, Hawke's Bay.

Repeal.

3. Sections ten, eleven, twelve, thirteen, fourteen, and sixteen of the said Act of one thousand eight hundred and eighty-seven, the Sixth, Seventh, Eighth, and Ninth Schedules to the said Act of one thousand eight hundred and eighty-seven, and sections four, five, six, seven, eight, nine, ten, eleven, twelve, thirteen, fourteen, fifteen, and sixteen of the said Act of one thousand eight hundred and eighty-nine, and the Schedules to the said Act of one thousand 10 eight hundred and eighty-nine, are hereby repealed.

Board may sell land for certain purposes.

4. It shall be lawful for the Board from time to time to sell and dispose of the whole or any part or parts of the land described in the Schedule hereto (which land is part of the land described in the Third and Fourth Schedules to the Act of one thousand eight 15 hundred and eighty-seven) for such price or prices as it shall think fit; or the Board may grant and convey to the Mayor, Councillors, and Burgesses of the Borough of Napier a portion of the said land not exceeding thirty acres in extent, for the purposes of a public park or recreation-ground, and upon such terms (if any) as to the reclama- 20 tion and improvement of such land by the said Mayor, Councillors, and Burgesses of the Borough of Napier as the Board shall think fit.

5. The purchase-moneys to be received upon any such sale or sales as aforesaid shall be applied in or towards the reclamation or improvement of the whole or any part of the lands described in the 25 Third and Fourth Schedules to the said Act of one thousand eight

hundred and eighty-seven, other than any part thereof so sold as

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6. In addition to, and not by way of substitution for, the leasingpowers already vested in the Board by law, the Board may from time 30 to time let the whole or any part or parts of the lands described in the Third and Fourth Schedules to the said Act of one thousand eight hundred and eighty-seven, subject to the conditions following :---

(1.) Any such lease may be for a term of not more than forty- 35

two years.

(2.) Any such lease may contain such provisions as the Board may think fit—

(a.) For the determination thereof by the Board or

the lessee as the Board may think fit;

(b.) For the payment to the lessee by the Board of the value of all or any improvements caused by reclamation, not exceeding in the whole the sum of thirteen thousand pounds; and the Board may, at the determination of any such leases of this block and the reletting of 45 such lands, add to the upset rental of such lands the value of any buildings or fences then on such lands:

(c.) Compelling the lessee to reclaim all or any por-

tion or portions of the land leased.

(3.) Any such lease may contain such other covenants and 50 conditions as the Board shall think fit.

7. Any sale or lease provided for by sections four and six afore- Sale or lease to be said shall be by public auction or public tender, of which public notice shall be given.

8. The Board may, if it shall think fit, combine a sale under Board may combine section four aforesaid with a lease under section six aforesaid, on such a sale with a lease. terms and conditions as the Board shall think fit.

9. The Board may make such provisions as it may think fit in Board may take over any such sale or lease as aforesaid for the taking-over by the Board part of the land reof part or parts of the land reclaimed or improved in lieu of the purchase money. 10 whole or any part of the purchase-money or rent.

10. In order to provide moneys for the purpose of paying to Power to borrow the lessee any sum for improvements in case of determination of £13,000. any lease or otherwise, the Board may borrow, on the security of the whole or any part of the lands described in the Third and Fourth 15 Schedules to the said Act of one thousand eight hundred and eightyseven, such sum or sums of money as it shall think fit, not exceeding in the whole the sum of thirteen thousand pounds.

11. The Board shall have power to lay out roads through all or Power to lay out any part of the lands described in the Third and Fourth Schedules 20 to the Act of one thousand eight hundred and eighty-seven.

## SCHEDULE.

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ALL that piece of land situated in the Provincial District of Hawke's Bay, containing by admeasurement 300 acres, more or less, being part of Te Whare-o-Maraenui Block or Reserve and the Ahuriri Lagoon, the said piece of land being bounded as follows: Commencing at a point on the western side of Hastings Street 400 links south of the southern boundary of the Borough of Napier; thence bounded on the south-west by a line bearing 317° 30', 10900 links, more or less, to the Railway Reserve between Napier and the Spit; thence bounded on the north, north-east, and east by the Borough of Napier, to the commencing-point.

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