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, 15th August, 1907.

[As amended by the Legislative Council.]

Mr. Graham.

NELSON INSTITUTE.

[LOCAL BILL.]

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A BILL INTITULED

An Act to incorporate the Members of an Association known Tille. as the Nelson Institute, and to vest certain Lands and Personal Estate in the Provincial District of Nelson in the

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

1. This Act may be cited as the Nelson Institute Act, 1907.

2. (1.) The persons who on the coming into operation of this Incorporation of Act are members of the association known as the Nelson Institute, and all such other persons as hereafter become members of such institute, and association, are hereby constituted a body corporate by the name of powers of body corporate. the Nelson Institute, and by such name may hold property, whether 15 real or personal, and shall have full power and authority by that

name to sue and be sued in all Courts whatsoever.

(2.) The objects and purposes of the Institute shall be to aid Objects and and promote public education, and moral and intellectual improvement, and the general study and cultivation of the various branches 20 and departments of arts, science, and literature by means of museums. libraries, lectures, meetings, classes, reading-rooms, or in any similar manner, and to provide funds for such purposes, but the members of the Institute shall not derive any personal pecuniary profit there-

3. The said Nelson Institute (hereinafter referred to as the Power to make Institute) may from time to time make rules not inconsistent with rules.

Short Title.

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First meeting to be held, and proceedings thereat. the provisions of this Act for the care, management, control, and regulation of the affairs, property, and concerns of the Institute.

4. (1.) Not less than one month after the coming into operation of this Act a meeting of the members of the Institute shall be held in the City of Nelson, at which meeting or at any adjournment thereof the majority of the members present are empowered to do, execute, and perform, or authorise to be done, executed, and performed, any acts, deeds, matters, and things which the Institute is by this Act authorised to do, execute, and perform; and at such meeting, and at every meeting until the Institute has provided who shall be Chairman, the meeting shall first proceed to elect a chairman, who shall preside and have a deliberative vote, and in case of equality of votes a casting-vote.

(2.) Notice specifying the time and place of such first meeting, and signed by the secretary for the time being, or the president, or 15 two of the vice-presidents, or three members of the Institute, shall be advertised for three consecutive times in some newspaper pub-

lished and circulating in the City of Nelson.

Lands described in Schedules and other real and personal estate vested in body corporate. 5. The pieces of land specified in the First, Second, and Third Schedules hereto, and the leasehold land specified in the Fourth 20 Schedule hereto, with all the buildings thereon respectively and all the rights and appurtenances thereunto respectively belonging and appertaining, and all other the real and personal estate to which the said Nelson Institute is entitled, whether in possession, remainder, or otherwise, and the whole legal and equitable estate and 25 interest therein respectively, are by virtue of this Act vested in the Institute; and the persons in whom any such lands and personal estate were vested immediately before the coming into operation of this Act shall be discharged from all liability and responsibility which might thereafter arise or be incurred in respect thereof and from the 30 trusts upon which the same were held.

Borrowing-powers.

6. (1.) The Institute may from time to time borrow any sum or sums of money, not exceeding in the whole the sum of three thousand pounds, on the lands comprised in the said First Schedule, and to execute such mortgages of the said lands as may be deemed 35 necessary for securing the repayment thereof:

Provided, however, that no money shall be borrowed under the authority of this Act which shall produce to the lender a higher rate

of interest than six pounds per centum per annum.

(2.) The moneys so borrowed shall be applied in or towards the 40 erection of buildings and tenements on the lands comprised in the said *First* Schedule, or in the alteration, addition, or improvement of any such buildings or tenements which may be erected as aforesaid.

Power to borrow money by mortgage or debenture. 7. (1.) The Institute (notwithstanding anything in the Reserves, 45 Endowments, and Crown and Native Lands Exchange, Sale, Disposal, and Enabling Act, 1898, or any other statute) may borrow money by mortgage or debenture, without power of sale, upon the lands comprised in the said Second and Third Schedules, and other real or personal estate of the Institute now or hereafter to be acquired by gift, purchase, or otherwise, and may execute all neces-

sary mortgages, deeds, documents, or instruments for securing the

repayment thereof.

(2.) The moneys so borrowed shall be applied in or towards the Application of erection of buildings and tenements on any of the lands comprised in of mortgage moneys. 5 the First, Second, or Third Schedules, or in the alteration, addition, or improvement of any buildings or tenements now or from time to time hereafter standing and being upon any such lands.

8. The Institute may lease the pieces of land specified in the Power to lease. said First, Second, and Third Schedules, or any part or parts thereof, 10 or any buildings thereon, and also any other real or personal property which it may from time to time hereafter acquire by gift, purchase, or otherwise, for any term not exceeding twenty-one years, or for such longer term (not exceeding sixty-six years) as may be approved of by the Governor in Council, or for any period not 15 less than one year, to take effect in possession and not in reversion, at such rents, and under and subject to such powers, provisoes, covenants, and conditions as it determines.

9. (1.) No money shall be borrowed by mortgage or debenture, Consent of majority and no lease for any term exceeding five years shall be effected, at a meeting 20 except with the consent of a majority of the members of the Institute necessary to the borrowing of any who are present at a meeting to be held in the City of Nelson.

(2.) Such meeting shall be convened by notice advertised for or debenture, and to effect lease. three consecutive times in a newspaper published and circulating in

in the City of Nelson.

(3.) The notice of such meeting shall specify the business to be transacted thereat, and the time and place for the holding thereof (such time not being less than one month from the date of the publication of the first of such advertisements).

10. The Institute shall apply the rents, profits, and annual Application of 30 income, after paying the interest upon money borrowed and the annual income. expenses of management, in or towards the objects and purposes of the Institute; and, further, the proceeds arising from any sale of the personal estate may be applied in a similar manner.

of members present

11. Notwithstanding any thing herein, the Institute may sell Power of sale. 35 by public auction or private contract the lands specified in the Fourth Schedule hereto for the unexpired term of the lease thereof, and shall apply the proceeds arising from such sale in the manner hereinbefore directed for the application of rents, profits, and annual income.

12. The Registrar of Deeds and District Land Registrar for Registration free 40 the District of Nelson shall make all necessary entries in the registers of his office, and upon all deeds and certificates of title, concerning the said land as a memorial of the effect of this Act, free of any charge for registration thereof.

13. The Ordinance of the Province of Nelson known as the Repeal. 45 Nelson Institution Act, 1859, is hereby repealed.

Schedules.

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FIRST SCHEDULE.

ALL that parcel of land situate in the City of Nelson, being part of section numbered 178 on the plan of the said city, containing by admeasurement 33.6 perches, more or less, having a frontage of 61 ft. to Hardy Street, and extending back at right angles with the said front a distance of 150 ft. Bounded on the north by other part of said section numbered 178 on the said plan; on the east by a public read Harley Street; on the south by Hardy Street aforesaid; and on the west by section numbered 176 on the said plan.

SECOND SCHEDULE.

ALL that pærcel of land situate in Gordon Survey District, containing 690 acres, more or less, being section marked Reserve B on Block X on the plan of the said district, and being the whole of the land comprised on certificate of title, Vol. xxii, folio 4, subject, however, to Memorandum of Lease No. 338.

THIRD SCHEDULE.

ALL that parcel of land situate in the Tadmor Survey District, containing 196 acres, more or less, being sections numbered 16 and 18 of Block VII on the plan of the said district, and being the whole of the land comprised in certificate of title, Vol. xxiv, folio 80: excepting out of the said Section 16 the railway reserve, 150 links wide, as coloured red on the plan drawn on the said certificate of title.

FOURTH SCHEDULE.

ALL that parcel of land situate in the City of Nelson, being part of section numbered 177 on the plan of the said city, containing by admeasurement 7.6 perches, more or less, having a frontage of 32 ft. to Bridge Street and extending back at right angles with the said front a distance of 65 ft. Bounded on the north by Bridge Street aforesaid; on the east by Section 179 on the said plan; and on the south and west by other parts of said Section 177, and being the land comprised in a deed of lease bearing date the 26th day of April, 1895, and made between the Public Trustee of the one part and Charles King, therein described, of the other part.

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