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PUBLIC RESERVES VESTING AND SALE ACT AMENDMENT.

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A BILL INTITULED

AN ACT to amend "The Public Reserves Vesting and Sale Act, 1892." Title.

WHEREAS by "The Public Reserves Vesting and Sale Act, 1892" Preamble.

(hereinafter called "the principal Act"), certain lands, whereof the
 5 parcel of land described in the Schedule hereto forms part, were vested
 in and transferred to the Corporation of the City of Dunedin as an
 endowment for that city: And whereas by "The Public Reserves Vest-
 ing and Sale Amendment Act, 1895," leave was given to one John
 Colvin to assert by suit his title to a portion of the lands so vested
 10 in the said Corporation: And whereas the said John Colvin has
 succeeded in establishing by judgment of the Supreme Court his title
 to the portion so claimed by him: And whereas William Matthew
 Hodgkins, the owner in fee-simple of sections numbered respectively
 15 seven and eight, Block Thirty-six, Dunedin, claims to be entitled to
 other portion of the parcel of land so vested in and transferred to
 the said Corporation by the said principal Act: And whereas it is
 expedient that the said William Matthew Hodgkins should be
 afforded similar facilities to those conferred upon the said John
 Colvin for asserting by suit his title to that portion of the parcel of
 20 land so vested in the said Corporation as aforesaid, which is described
 in the Schedule hereto:

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

25 1. The Short Title of this Act is "The Public Reserves Vesting and Sale Amendment Act, 1896," and it shall be read with the principal Act. Short Title.

30 2. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in the principal Act, it is hereby declared that the parcel of land described in the Schedule hereto and which by that Act was vested in and transferred to the Corporation of the City of Dunedin shall be held by that Corporation, subject to the conditions following, that is to say,—
 Power to William Matthew Hodgkins to assert by suit his title to land in Schedule.

- (1.) That the said William Matthew Hodgkins or other, the owner in fee-simple of sections numbered seven and eight, Block Thirty-six, Dunedin, may at any time within twelve months after the passing of this Act, but not later, assert by suit his title to the said parcel of land in like manner as if the principal Act had not been passed ; and also 5
- (2.) That if the said William Matthew Hodgkins succeeds in establishing his title to the said parcel of land, the said Corporation will execute in his favour a memorandum of transfer thereof discharged from the trusts created by the principal Act. 10

Transfer to be exempt from fees.

3. Such transfer, if executed pursuant to such judgment, shall be exempt from stamp duty or registration fees ; and the District Land Registrar shall register the same accordingly.

Provision if suit not commenced.

4. If the said William Matthew Hodgkins fails to commence such suit within the time limited in that behalf by this Act, the conditions prescribed by section two hereof shall be deemed to have lapsed. 15

No suit after twelve months.

5. No such suit shall be commenced after the expiration of twelve months from the passing of this Act. 20

Schedule.

SCHEDULE.

ALL that parcel of land in the City of Dunedin, containing 1 rood and 33 poles, more or less, bounded towards the north by Sections Nos. 7 and 8, Block XXXVI ; towards the east by other portions of the parcel of land vested in the Corporation of the City of Dunedin by the principal Act ; towards the south by the Water of Leith ; and towards the west by Clyde Street.