

New Parliament.]

[AS REPORTED FROM WASTE LANDS COMMITTEE.]

Hon. Mr. Rolleston.

Special Powers and Contracts.

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A BILL INTITULED

AN ACT to grant certain Special Powers to the Governor to issue Crown Grants, and to enable him to carry out certain Contracts and Promises. Title.

WHEREAS it is expedient and necessary to give the Governor power to issue the Crown grants, and to do, execute, and perform the several acts and things set forth in the second column of the Schedule hereto, in fulfilment of the promises and for the several reasons and purposes set forth in the first column of such Schedule : Preamble.

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 Special Powers and Contracts Act, 1879." Short Title.

2. The Governor may issue such Crown grants, and do, execute and perform the several acts, deeds, matters, and things which are specified in the second column of the Schedule hereto. Crown grants to issue.

All Crown grants, acts, deeds, matters, and things so issued, done, executed or performed shall be good, valid, and effectual to all intents and purposes whatsoever.

3. For the purpose of evidencing the title to any land specified in the said second column of the Schedule the Governor may, in any Crown grant issued under the authority hereof, antevest the legal estate in the grantee to such date as he thinks fit. Legal estate may be antevested.

4. When under the authority of law any land acquired held by or conveyed to the Superintendent of a province has heretofore been sold, or contracted to be alienated in fee, the Governor may issue, under the Public Seal of the colony, such Crown grants as the circumstances of each case may require to give effect to such sale or contract. The Governor may issue Crown grants of land alienated by Superintendents.

"The Crown Grants Act, 1866," and all Acts amending the same shall apply.

Provision in case of land inalienable for a longer period than twenty-one years except with consent of Governor.

The provisions of "The Crown Grants Act, 1866," and all Acts amending the same relating to the antevesting of the legal estate in grantees, and all and every other provision of the said Act and amending Acts, shall apply to Crown grants so issued.

5. In respect to any land mentioned in the Schedule hereto which is to be inalienable by sale, lease, gift, or mortgage for a longer period than twenty-one years, except with the consent of the Governor, it is hereby declared that no lease of any such land for the period of twenty-one years or a less period shall be valid, unless such lease is sold at public auction after not less than thirty days' public notice of such auction has been given in some newspaper having general circulation in the district wherein the lands offered for lease are situate; and also that such lease is sold without any fine, premium, or foregift being paid or received in respect thereof. 10

Schedule.

SCHEDULE.

AUCKLAND—

FIRST COLUMN.

1. To give effect to an exchange of land belonging to the Church Missionary Society, which was erroneously sold to the Rev. T. S. Grace. Mr. Grace has reconveyed to the Crown Lot No. 84, 24 perches, and he now applies for Lot No. 262, containing 22 perches. The Auckland Land Board agree.

2. This is an exchange for land taken for a public road. The arrangement was made with the late Provincial Government of Auckland.

3. To give effect to an arrangement made between the Superintendent of Auckland, the Whakapaku Highway Board, and Messrs. William Garton and John Freer in 1874.

4. It was intended to change the purpose of a portion of the Landing-place Reserve to a school site; but, owing to the passing of "The Public Reserves Act Amendment Act, 1878," this could not be carried into effect.

5. To fulfil a promise made by the late Provincial Government of Auckland, on the recommendation of the Provincial Council, in consideration of Mr. Nolan surrendering his lease from the Natives of the Okahu Block, Puhoi, thereby greatly facilitating the purchase of that block, which was at the time urgently needed.

6. To fulfil a promise made by the late Sir Donald McLean, and confirmed by the Hon. the Native Minister, in recognition of services rendered to Europeans during the disturbances on the East Coast.

SECOND COLUMN.

1. Rev. Thomas Samuel Grace.—To grant to him in fee-simple Lot No. 262, containing 22 perches, in the Town of Tauranga, he having reconveyed to the Crown Lot No. 84 in the same township, which was sold to him in error. Grant to be subject to the provisions of "The Crown Grants Act, 1866," and Acts amending the same.

2. William Shaw.—To grant to him in fee-simple 2 acres 2 roods, being Allotment No. 187, Mahurangi Survey District, in the Provincial District of Auckland. Grant to be subject to the provisions of "The Crown Grants Act, 1866," and Acts amending the same.

3. William Garton and John Freer.—To grant them in fee-simple 10 acres each of land, which they have respectively selected from Lots 33 and 72, Parish of Mongonui East, upon their executing conveyances of the road line which has been taken through their private properties by the Whakapaku Highway Board. The grants to be subject to "The Crown Grants Act, 1866," and Acts amending the same.

4. To vest 5 acres of the Landing Reserve, Lot 4B, in the Parish of Pukete, Komakorau Survey District, Provincial District of Auckland, in the Education Board of the District of Auckland, as a school site.

5. Christopher Nolan.—To authorize the Governor to issue a grant in fee-simple to Christopher Nolan, for a block of land, containing 52 acres, in the Parish of Puhoi, Waiwera Survey District, Provincial District of Auckland. Grant to be subject to "The Crown Grants Act, 1866," and Acts amending the same.

6. To authorize the Governor to issue to Kune Malarkai o Whiti, a native of Fiji, a Crown Grant in fee-simple for Lot No. 293, Parish of Te Waimana, County of Whakatane, containing 3 acres 28 perches; land to be inalienable by sale or mortgage, or by lease for longer than twenty-one years, except with the consent of the Go-

7. In exchange for land taken up at Raglan, since included in Native Reserve. Land Board recommend.

8. To fulfil a promise made to certain half-castes, in satisfaction of claims over lands in the Tauranga District.

9. It being desirable to change a portion of the Hospital Reserve at Mangapiko, Waikato, to a site for a school, which cannot now be carried into effect owing to the provisions of "The Public Reserves Act, 1878."

Struck Out.

10. To fulfil a promise made by the Government in April, 1875, to the Presbyterians of Auckland, as a site for a rural church and minister's residence.

New Clauses.

10. It being desirable to change Reserve No. 194, Rangiaobia, reserved by warrant in the *New Zealand Gazette* No. 69, of the 4th December, 1873, for military purposes, to a site for a school, which cannot now be carried into effect owing to the provisions of "The Public Reserves Act, 1878."

11. To complete an arrangement entered into under "The Auckland Education Reserves Management Act, 1875," which could not be carried out owing to a technical error in the Schedule of that Act, containing a description of the land.

vernor. Grant to be subject to the provisions of "The Crown Grants Act, 1866," and Acts amending the same.

7. To issue a Crown Grant to Patrick Corboy for Lots 128A, 132, and 210, Parish of Puketere, District of Auckland, containing 255 acres 3 roods, more or less. Grant to be subject to "The Crown Grants Act, 1866," and Acts amending the same, and not to be issued until the Land Board of Auckland report to the Governor that the requirements of sections 3 subsections 1 to 6, Appendix A of "The Land Act, 1877," have been complied with.

8. To authorize the Governor to issue to Hori Parengarenga, Miriama, and Nepe, as tenants in common, Crown grants for Lots 132 and 133, Parish of Te Puna, County of Tauranga, containing 82 acres, more or less. Land to be inalienable by sale or mortgage, or by lease for longer than twenty-one years in possession, except with the consent of the Governor. Grant to be subject to the provisions of "The Crown Grants Act, 1866," and Acts amending the same.

9. To authorize the Governor to change a portion of Hospital Reserve, No. 266, Parish of Mangapiko, Waikato, containing 5 acres, more or less, to a site for a school. Bounded towards the North by other part of Allotment No. 266, 925 links; towards the East by other part of Allotment No. 266 aforesaid, 925 links; towards the South by a road, 470 links; and towards the West by a road, 470 links; be all the aforesaid linkages more or less: as the same is delineated on the plan deposited in the Survey Office, Auckland.

Struck Out.

10. To authorize the Governor to issue to the authorities of the Presbyterian Church, Auckland, all that parcel of land, containing 3 acres, more or less, known as Lot 57A. Bounded towards the North by a road, 433 links; towards the East by Section 58, 590 links; towards the South by Section 57, 800 links; and towards the West by a road, 490 links; the said section forming part of Section 57, Parish of Mangatawhiri, Provincial District of Auckland, which was permanently reserved for a school site and teacher's residence on the 30th September, 1878, and published in *Gazette* No. 97, of the 10th October, 1878. The grant to be subject to the provisions of "The Crown Grants Act, 1866," and Acts amending the same.

New Clauses.

10. To change Reserve No. 194, containing 8 acres and 1 perch, situate in the Parish of Puniu, Rangiaobia, Waikato, from a reserve for military purposes to a school site.

11. To authorize the Governor to issue to Captain Isaac James Burgess a Crown grant for all those parcels of land situate in the Parish of Takapuna, County of Eden, in the Provincial District of Auckland, being parts of Lots numbered 36, 37, and 39, of Section 2, in the said parish; containing by admeasurement 3 roods and 35 perches, more or less; as the said pieces of

TARANAKI—

11. 12. To give effect to a promise made by the late Provincial Government of Taranaki, which was subsequently ratified by the Land Board.

12. 13. It was arranged with William King Hulke that he should convey to the Crown $6\frac{1}{2}$ perches of land out of Section 2, Block XC., in the Town of Raleigh, in exchange for the portion of land set forth in the opposite column; the land above mentioned, intended to be conveyed to the Crown by William King Hulke, having been required for the Waitara to New Plymouth Railway.

13. 14. It was arranged in January, 1877, between the Minister for Public Works and Messrs. E. L. Humphries and Son, on the recommendation of the Assistant Engineer-in-Chief, that Messrs. E. L. Humphries and Son should convey to the Crown four-tenths of a perch of land on the bank of the Huatoki River, adjoining Allotment 651, in the Town of New Plymouth, in exchange for the portion of land set forth in the opposite column: the land above mentioned, intended to be conveyed to the Crown by William Humphries and Edward Humphries, trading under the style or firm of "E. L. Humphries and Son," having been required for the Waitara to New Plymouth Railway.

New Clause.

15. In the year 1867 the Provincial Government of Taranaki found it necessary to take a public road through Allotment No. 25. The owner, Edward James Cudd, agreed to exchange the allotment for Allotment No. 28, being at the time waste lands of the Crown, but the Government failed to give him a legal title to the land.

HAWKE'S BAY—

14. 16. To validate an error of the late Superintendent of Hawke's Bay.

15. 17. For services rendered as a member of the Colonial Defence Force, Hawke's Bay, for which a grant of land was as-

land are more particularly delineated on the official map of the locality, deposited in the Survey Office at Auckland.

14. 12. William Davis.—To authorize the private sale at 30s. per acre, and to issue to him Crown grant of Section 253, Huirangi, containing 130 acres, on his conveying to the Crown the road line, containing 4 acres 2 roods, being continuation of Hursthouse Road to Mountain Road. Land so conveyed to be paid for at rate of 30s. per acre. Grant to be subject to the provisions of "The Crown Grants Act, 1866," and Acts amending the same.

12. 13. To authorize the Governor to issue to William King Hulke a Crown grant for $8\frac{1}{2}$ perches of land, being portion of Section 1, Block XC., in the Town of Raleigh, in the Provincial District of Taranaki. Bounded towards the North-east by other part of said Section 1, 70 links; towards the North-west by Section 3, 76 links; towards the South-west by Section 2, 70 links; and towards the South-east by other portion of said Section 1, 76 links, in the said Town of Raleigh. Grant to be subject to the provisions of "The Crown Grants Act, 1866," and Acts amending the same.

13. 14. To authorize the Governor to issue to William Humphries and Edward Humphries, trading under the style or firm of "E. L. Humphries and Son," a Crown grant for nine-tenths of a perch of land, being a portion of the reclaimed Huatoki River-bed, in the Town of New Plymouth, in the Provincial District of Taranaki. Bounded towards the East and North-east $40\frac{1}{2}$ links and $14\frac{1}{2}$ links; towards the North-west by reclaimed river-bed, 10 links; and towards the South-west by part of Allotment 651, in the said Town of New Plymouth. Grant to be subject to the provisions of "The Crown Grants Act, 1866," and Acts amending the same.

New Clause.

15. On Edward James Cudd conveying to the Crown Allotment No. 25, Hua and Waiwakaiho District, Provincial District of Taranaki, it shall be lawful for the Governor to issue a Crown grant to the said Edward James Cudd for Allotment No. 28, in the said district, free of charge.

14. 16. To validate a sale of reclaimed land at Gough Island, held by the Commissioner of Crown Lands at Napier, on Monday, the 8th day of May, 1876, the land having been proclaimed and sold under the Hawke's Bay Land Regulations, instead of under the provisions of "The Napier Harbour Board Act, 1874;" and to authorize the Governor to issue Crown grants to the purchasers of the several sections. Grants to be subject to the provisions of "The Crown Grants Act, 1866," and Acts amending the same. The Governor may reserve in the grant a right of road not exceeding 100 links wide.

15. 17. To authorize the Governor to issue a Crown grant to William George Trim, in fee-simple, for 50 acres of land, to be

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sured, but not applied for owing to loss of Certificate of Discharge.

selected from any rural land open for sale in the Land District of Hawke's Bay. Grant to be subject to "The Crown Grants Act, 1866," and Acts amending the same.

WELLINGTON—

16. 18. In pursuance of a resolution of the late Provincial Council of Wellington, and concurred in by His Honor the Superintendent. The Company have agreed to grant a roadway for the convenience of the public across the land on which their patent slip is erected. This special Act is necessary because "The Public Reserves Act, 1854," has been repealed.

16. 18. Wellington Patent Slip Company (Limited).—To grant in fee-simple to the Company 10 acres 1 rood and 29 perches, being land below high-water mark, situate in Evans' Bay, Wellington District, on which the ways of the slip are constructed. Grant to be subject to the provisions of the Public Reserves Acts, 1854 and 1877, and also to be issued conditionally upon the said Company conveying to Her Majesty and all Her liege subjects a right-of-way over a part of Section No. 3 on plan of Evans' Bay District, 100 links wide, as particularly described in a deed bearing date the 23rd day of July, 1878.

17. 19. For services rendered as a Volunteer Militiaman during 1846-47 at the Hutt, Pahautanui, and Horokiwi Valley, against rebel Natives under Rangiahaeta.

17. 19. To grant to George Robertson, in fee-simple, an area not exceeding 60 acres of land, to be selected by him from any rural land open for sale in the Land District of Wellington. Grant to be subject to "The Crown Grants Act, 1866," and Acts amending the same. The Governor may reserve in the grant a right of road not exceeding 100 links wide. The selections to be made within six months of the passing of this Act.

18. 20. To fulfil a promise made by the Government to a deputation from the citizens of Wellington.

18. 20. To authorize the Governor to issue a Crown grant in fee-simple for Sections 4 and 5, Block V., Thorndon reclamation. Land to be vested in seven trustees: three to be appointed by the Volunteer Force of the District of Wellington, three by the subscribing members to the Gymnastic Club hereafter to be formed, and one by the Governor. Grant to be subject to the provisions of "The Crown Grants Act, 1866," and Acts amending the same; and to contain a trust that the land is to be used as a site for a hall for the Volunteers and a Gymnasium; and, notwithstanding that such trust is expressed in the grant, it may be registered under the provisions of "The Land Transfer Act, 1870."

19. 21. To fulfil a promise made by the Government to the Education Board of Wellington.

19. 21. To authorize the Governor to issue a Crown grant in fee-simple to the Education Board of the District of Wellington, for Block XX., and Lot 1 of Block XXII., on the plan of the Thorndon Reclamation. The Board to hold the said land in trust for school sites, and, with the consent of the Minister of Education, may exercise over such land the powers of sale and exchange given by section eighteen of "The Education Reserves Act, 1877."

20. 22. In 1874 the Bishop of Wellington was informed that an acre of land at Waverley would be granted as a site for an Episcopalian church; but, by regulations under "The New Zealand Settlements Act, 1865," religious bodies could only purchase half an acre at the upset price. The church authorities have purchased one-half of Acre No. 135, and now desire to purchase the remainder.

20. 22. To enable the Bishop of Wellington to purchase, at the upset price fixed by law, the remaining half of Acre No. 135, Township of Waverley, Provincial District of Wellington, as a site for a Church of England.

21. 23. A similar promise as that to the Bishop of Wellington was made to the Wesleyan body; but, by regulations under "The New Zealand Settlements Act, 1865," religious bodies could only purchase half an acre at the upset price. The Wesleyan

21. 23. To enable the Wesleyan Church authorities to purchase, at the upset price fixed by law, the remaining half of Acre No. 135, Township of Waverley, Provincial District of Wellington, as a site for a Wesleyan Church.

Church authorities have purchased one-half of Acre No. 136, and now desire to purchase the remainder.

NELSON—

22. 24. It was intended to change the purpose of a portion of the Market Reserve to a recreation-ground, but owing to the passing of "The Public Reserves Act Amendment Act, 1878," this could not be carried into effect.

22. 24. To vest in the Mayor, Councillors, and Burgesses of the Borough of Nelson, all that parcel of land comprising 1 acre 3 roods more or less. Bounded on the Northward by Bridge Street, 250 links, and by other part of Market Reserve 171½ links; Eastward by the other part of the said Market Reserve, 268 links, and by Tasman Street, 132 links; on the Southward partly by Section No. 204 on the plan of the City of Nelson, and partly by the Eel Pond; and on the Westward by the Eel Pond. As a recreation-ground.

New Clause.

piece or parcel of land in the City of Nelson, containing by admeasurement 3 acres 1 rood and 1 pole, more or less, and bounded towards the North by Bridge Street (from a point on south side of that street 491½ links from Tasman Street), 320 links; towards the East by Reserve D, 268 links; again towards the North by said Reserve D, 171½ links; again towards the East by Tasman Street, 132 links; towards the South by Section 204, 80 links; towards the South-east by said section, 420 links; thence again towards the South by south bank of Eel Pond to Section 202, 200 links; thence towards the West by Section 202, 7 links; thence again towards the South by said Section 202, 22 links; thence again towards the West and North-west by Crown lands and Reserve E, 750 links, to said starting point; be all the aforesaid linkages more or less: as the same is delineated on the plan deposited in the Survey Office, Nelson.

CANTERBURY—

23. 25. This exchange is necessary, as Government buildings are erected on the reserve, which was Crown granted to the Superintendent as a "Site for a Parsonage," and by the Superintendent conveyed, under the authority of "The Canterbury Public Reserves Act, 1867," to the Church Property Trustees. The Trustees were authorized by the Government to select 101 acres of rural land in exchange for the reserve of 2 roods and 14 poles, valued at £202.

23. 25. To authorize the Church Property Trustees incorporated by an Ordinance of the Superintendent and Provincial Council of the Provincial District of Canterbury, intituled "The Church Property Trust Ordinance, Session 2, No. 3," to convey to the Crown all that parcel of land in the Town of Akaroa, containing 2 roods 14 perches, more or less. Bounded on the West by Jollie Street; on the North-east by Reserve No. 55 (in red); on the South-east by Section 216; and on the South-west by Bruce Terrace: and numbered 97 (in red) on the official map of the Town of Akaroa, in the Provincial District Survey Office, Christchurch.

To authorize the Governor to issue to the said Church Property Trustees a Crown grant for 101 acres, in the Little River Road District, Provincial District of Canterbury. Bounded on the South-east by Section No. 31289; on the North-east by the road north-east of that section; on the South-west by Section 25254; and on the North-west by a line in continuation of the north-west boundary line of the latter section. Grant to be subject to the provisions of "The Crown Grants Act, 1866," and Acts amending the same. The Governor may reserve in the grant a right of road not exceeding 100 links wide.

24. 26. On the 21st December, 1869, the Superintendent of Canterbury purchased a piece of land at Addington upon trust for the public purposes of the province. It is

24. 26. To authorize the Governor to change the purpose of the reserve, containing 5 acres, purchased by the Superintendent of Canterbury from Henry Sewell, and de-

now proposed to vest the land in the Borough of Sydenham, it being within the boundaries of that borough, as a recreation-ground.

25. 27. It being deemed desirable to change a portion of the Planting Reserve at Malvern, to a recreation-ground, which cannot now be carried into effect, owing to the provisions of "The Public Reserves Act, 1878."

26. 28. It being deemed desirable to change a portion of Reserve No. 1769 to a recreation-ground, which cannot now be carried into effect, owing to the provisions of "The Public Reserves Act, 1878."

27. 29. It being deemed desirable to change a portion of Reserve No. 178 to a recreation-ground, which cannot now be carried into effect, owing to the provisions of "The Public Reserves Act, 1878."

28. 30. Several years ago the Roman Catholics of Akaroa, when fencing their cemetery, included a portion of the road, and many persons have been buried on the road-line. It is proposed to deviate the road so as to avoid disturbing the graves; but this implies an encroachment on the Presbyterian Cemetery, and it is proposed to grant to the Presbyterian body the area of about 1 acre, situate in a steep gully, as compensation for loss of the land to be given to the Roman Catholic Cemetery.

29. 31. It was arranged in 1876 between the Minister for Public Works and William Kenneth Macdonald, with the concurrence of the Superintendent of Canterbury, that the said William Kenneth Macdonald should convey to the Crown 7 acres 2 roods and 32 perches, being part of Section numbered 3604, Timaru District, in exchange for the portion of the Railway Reserve made by the Province of Canterbury set forth in the opposite column; the land above-mentioned as conveyed to the Crown by William Kenneth Macdonald having been required for the purposes of the Southern Trunk Railway.

scribed in the Registry of Deeds at Christchurch No. 27,204; to that of a recreation-ground, and to vest the same in the Mayor, Councillors, and Burgesses of the Borough of Sydenham.

25. 27. To authorize the Governor to change Reserve No. 2409 (in red), containing 28 acres 1 rood, in the Hororata Survey District, Provincial District of Canterbury, from a Planting Reserve to a recreation-ground, to be called "Coalgate Recreation-ground."

26. 28. To authorize the Governor to change part of Reserve No. 1769, containing 30 acres, in the Ashburton Survey District, Provincial District of Canterbury, to a recreation-ground, to be called "The Chertsey Recreation-ground."

27. 29. To authorize the Governor to change a portion of Reserve No. 178, containing 20 acres, in the Courtenay District, Provincial District of Canterbury, to a recreation-ground, to be called "The Courtenay Recreation-ground."

28. 30. To authorize the diversion of the line of road between the Roman Catholic and the Free Church of Scotland Cemeteries at Akaroa. To authorize the issue by the Governor of an amended Crown grant to the Trustees of the Roman Catholic Cemetery, as follows, viz.: 1 acre 3 roods 35 perches, more or less, being Section numbered 116 (in red). Bounded North-westward by the Church of England and Dissenters' Cemeteries, 603 links; North-eastward by a road line, 346 links; Southward by the road line as diverted, 380 links; South-eastward by the same road line, 338 links; and South-westward by a line bearing 153° 48' true, 470 links. To authorize the issue by the Governor of an amended Crown grant to the Trustees of the Free Church of Scotland Cemetery, as follows, viz.: 2 acres and 22 perches, more or less, being Section numbered 139 (in red). Bounded North-westward, Northward, North-eastward, and Eastward by the road line as diverted, 310 links, 482 links, 186 links, 98 links, and 186 links; and Southward Section 5612, and a continuation of the northern boundary line thereof. And to authorize the issue by the Governor of a grant in fee-simple to the Trustees of the Free Church of Scotland Cemetery, as follows, viz.: 1 acre and 8 perches, more or less, being Section numbered 2421 (in red). Bounded North-westward by the Church of England Cemetery; North-eastward by the Roman Catholic Cemetery, as described in the amended grant; and South-eastward by road lines. The grants to be subject to "The Crown Grants Act, 1866," and Acts amending the same.

29. 31. To authorize the Governor to issue to William Kenneth Macdonald a Crown grant for 100 acres in the Geraldine Survey District, Provincial District of Canterbury, bounded towards the South-west by the River Orari; North-west by a road line, 3071 links; North-east by Lot 40, 2604 links; and South-east by Section No. 33899 and Lot 40, 4371 links, in the said Provincial District of Canterbury. Grant to be subject to the provisions of "The Crown Grants Act, 1866," and Acts amending the same.

30-32. It being deemed desirable to change a portion of Reserve No. 1752, in the Courtenay Road District, to a recreation-ground, which cannot now be carried into effect owing to the provisions of "The Public Reserves Act, 1878."

31-33. It being desirable to change gravel-pit Reserve No. 1388, in the Malveru District, to a recreation-ground, which cannot now be carried into effect owing to the provisions of "The Public Reserves Act, 1878."

32-34. It being desirable to change a portion of gravel-pit Reserve No. 743, in the Mairaki Survey District, to a recreation-ground, which cannot now be carried into effect owing to the provisions of "The Public Reserves Act, 1878."

33-35. It being desirable to change Reserve No. 146 to a recreation-ground, which cannot now be carried into effect, owing to the provisions of "The Public Reserves Act, 1878."

34-36. It being desirable to change Reserve No. 202 to a recreation-ground, which cannot now be carried into effect, owing to the provisions of "The Public Reserves Act, 1878."

OTAGO—

35-37. This was promised by Hon. Mr. Reid, as Minister for Lands, as McLeod's land was destroyed by floods. Motueka settlers in Nelson had land granted them for a similar reason.

36-38. These lands have been dealt with as deferred payment lands, although the Proclamation authorized by the Provincial Council of Otago has not been issued.

30-32. To authorize the Governor to change part of Reserve No. 1752, containing 10 acres, in the Courtenay Road District, to a recreation-ground, to be called "The Kirwee Recreation-ground."

31-33. To authorize the Governor to change Reserve No. 1388, containing 23 acres, more or less, in the Malvern District, from a gravel pit reserve to a recreation-ground for the South Malvern District.

32-34. To authorize the Governor to change from gravel-pit reserve to recreation-ground, all that area in the Mairaki Survey District, Provincial District of Canterbury, containing 12 acres 2 roods 25 perches, more or less. Bounded Northward by a road line 810 links, and by Reserve No. 743 (in red), 530 links; Eastward by the same reserve 1000 links, and by Crown lands 310 links; Southward by Section No. 15484, 1340 links; and Westward by Section No. 15483, 1340 links; and numbered 2422 (in red) on the official map in the Survey Office, Christchurch.

33-35. To authorize the Governor to change Reserve No. 146, containing 5 acres, in the Arowhenua Survey District, Provincial District of Canterbury, to a recreation-ground, to be called "The North Timaru Recreation-ground."

34-36. To authorize the Governor to change from gravel pit to a recreation reserve a portion of Reserve No. 202, in the Christchurch Survey District, Provincial District of Canterbury, containing 3 acres 2 roods 15 perches, more or less. Bounded North-eastward by Section 3643, 733 links; South-eastward by Springs Road, 400 links; and Reserve No. 202 (in red), 200 links; North-westward by Section 3835, 600 links; and South-westward by Reserve No. 202 (in red), 333 links and 400 links, and numbered 2419 (in red) on the official map in the Survey Office, Christchurch.

35-37. To issue a grant to William McLeod, of Outram, for Sections 7 and 10, Block XXII., East Gore Township, upon his reconveying to the Crown Sections 7, 8, 9, and 10, Block IX., and part of Section 3, Block XV., Outram, and paying such amount for excess of acreage between the sections reconveyed and the sections Crown granted as the Land Board of Otago may assess. Grant to be subject to the provisions of "The Crown Grants Act, 1866," and Acts amending the same.

36-38. The block of 10,000 acres of land, situate in the Oreti Hundred, referred to in the message from his Honor the Superintendent of Otago to the Provincial Council, on the 9th day of June, 1875, No. 14, which block of land the Provincial Council resolved, on the 11th day of June, 1875, in conformity with the recommendation of the Superintendent, should be set apart for alienation on deferred payments, but the Proclamation of which was not issued as required by "The Otago Waste Lands Act, 1872," and "The Southland Waste Lands Act, 1873," shall be deemed to

37. 39. The purchase-money for this land was advanced by the Otago Harbour Board, and the land was intended to be conveyed to the said Board, but by mistake was conveyed to Her Majesty.

38. 40. This land was erroneously described in the fifteenth section of the Schedule to "The Special Powers and Contracts Act, 1878."

39. 41. In fulfilment of a promise made by the Government, to grant an area not exceeding 100 acres to the Borough of Arrowtown, out of the land included in the extension of the borough boundaries.

40. 42. This is a portion of the land at Kensington purchased by the late Superintendent of Otago, and authorized to be sold by the "Superintendent's Land Sale Ordinance, 1875" (Provincial).

have been set apart under the Acts aforesaid, on and from the day of the date of the resolution of the Provincial Council aforesaid, for alienation upon deferred payments.

37. 39. To authorize the Governor, on behalf of the Queen, to convey to the Otago Harbour Board in fee-simple a piece of land, containing by admeasurement 2 roods and 16 perches, more or less, situate at Otago Heads, and known by the name of "Otago Heads Native Reserve," Lot No. 28. Bounded towards the South-west by the sea, and on all other sides by Lot No. 27; as the same is delineated in a plan drawn on the margin of a deed of conveyance from Korako Karetai, an aboriginal native, to Her Majesty, bearing date the 29th day of November, 1878. Together with all ways, rights, easements, and appurtenances thereunto belonging.

38. 40. To convey to the Mayor, Councillors, and Citizens of the City of Dunedin, and its successors as a corporate body, the following lands, to be held in trust for purposes of public utility for the City of Dunedin and its inhabitants, viz.:—All that parcel situate in the City of Dunedin, in the Provincial District of Otago, being part of Block XXXIX. on the record map of the said city, containing by admeasurement 28 poles, more or less, and bounded towards the West, North-west, South, South-west, and North by the line of the old high-water mark of Dunedin Harbour (the said line being formerly the boundary towards the said harbour of Reserve No. 11 on the said record map) 375 links; towards the North-North-east by Reserve No. 10 on the said record map, and commonly known as the Manse Reserve, 33½ links; towards the East-South-east by Sections numbered respectively 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, and 12, 319½ links; and towards the South-South-west by Police Street.

39. 41. To grant to the Mayor, Councillors, and Burgesses of the Borough of Arrowtown, and its successors as a corporate body, the following lands, to be held in trust for purposes of public utility for the said borough and its inhabitants, viz.:—All that parcel of land in the Provincial District of Otago, being Sections numbered 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, and 15, Block XXX., Arrowtown; Sections numbered 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5, Block XXXI., of said town; and Sections numbered 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, and 7, Block XXXIII. of said town; and containing by admeasurement 95 acres 3 roods and 33 poles, more or less: excepting therefrom all water-races, dams, or other mining claims within the said area, and reserving unto the holder or owners of the said claims, races, or dams, free right of way thereto: as the same is delineated on the plan deposited in the Survey Office, Dunedin.

40. 42. To authorize the Governor to grant without purchase to the Education Board of the District of Otago the following lands as a school site:—All that area in the Provincial District of Otago, containing by

admeasurement one (1) rood and twenty and four-tenths (20·4) poles, more or less, being subdivision of parts of Sections 20, 21, 22, and 23, Township of Kensington. Bounded towards the North-west by Grosvenor Street, seventy-seven and eight-tenths (77·8) links; towards the North-east by Allotment 10, sixty-four and eight-tenths (64·8) links; again towards the North-west by said Allotment 10 forty-six (46) links; towards the North by said Allotment 10, twenty-eight (28) links; towards the East by Clutha Railway Reserve, one hundred and ninety-five (195) links; towards the South-east by Section 10, Block VII., Town District, one hundred and thirty and four-tenths (130·4) links; towards the South-west by Section 24, Town of Kensington, one hundred and sixty-three and two-tenths (163·2) links; towards the North-west by Allotment 4, and right-of-way, ninety-nine and five-tenths (99·5) links; and towards the South-west by a right-of-way, eighty-seven (87) links: as the same is delineated on the plan of the Kensington Immigrant Cottages sites, in the Survey Office, Dunedin.

New Clause.

43. Owing to the land set apart by the Order in Council dated the 10th day of July, 1879, issued under the authority of "The Municipal Corporations Act, 1876," not having been accurately described from actual survey upon the ground, the Borough has not been able to obtain a Crown grant for the land described in the aforesaid Order in Council.

New Clause.

43. To authorize the Governor to issue a Crown grant to the Mayor, Councillors, and Burgesses of the Borough of Alexandra for the following block of land as an endowment in aid of the borough funds—namely, all that parcel of land in the Provincial District of Otago, situated in Block VII., Leaning Rock Survey District, and estimated to contain 490 acres, more or less. Commencing on the proposed railway line at a point due west of Trig. Station K; and bounded towards the North by a right line drawn due east and west through Trig. Station K to intersect a right line being the production of the north-eastern boundary of the Township of Alexandra; thence towards the North-east by a right line, being the production of the north-eastern boundary aforesaid, to the north corner of the Township of Alexandra aforesaid; thence towards the South-east by the said township to the proposed railway line; and towards the South-west by the proposed railway line to a point due west of Trig. Station K, the starting point: as the same is delineated on the plan deposited in the Survey Office, Dunedin. The Order in Council issued on the 16th day of July, 1879, setting apart a certain block of land for the Borough of Alexandra in pursuance of "The Municipal Corporations Act, 1876," is hereby declared to be null and void, and the Borough shall have no further claim to such land.