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[30th September, 1873.]

HEREAS it is expedient to raise a Loan in addition to that Preamble. authorized by "The Immigration and Public Works Loan Act, 1870," (hereafter called "the said Loan Act,") and for like And whereas it is expedient that power should be given to expend any part of the guaranteed portion of the Loan authorized to be raised by the said Loan Act on the Railways on which the Loan authorized by this Act may be expended, and that power should be given to expend any part of that portion of the Loan authorized to be raised by this Act, which may be expended on Railways, on the purposes on which may be expended the said guaranteed portion of the Loan authorized to be raised under the said guaranteed portion of the Loan authorized to be raised under the said Loan Act:

Immigration and Public Works Loan.

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 Immigration and Public Works Loan Act, 1873."

2. It shall be lawful for the Governor in Council to appoint any two or more persons he may think fit to be Agents for the purpose of raising and managing the Loan authorized to be raised under this Act, and in their appointments to define the relative powers of such Agents.

3. Such Agents shall have full power and authority to borrow and raise in Great Britain or elsewhere, by bonds debentures or otherwise, such sum or sums, not exceeding two million pounds sterling in the whole, as the Governor in Council may from time to time or at any time direct and determine, for all or any of the purposes expressed in the Schedule hereto, or the payment or repurchase of short-dated debentures issued under this Act, or any other purposes authorized by this Act.

4. Such Agents shall have full power and authority to prescribe the mode and conditions of repayment of such Loan, and the time of such repayment, and the rate of interest thereon, and the time and place or places when and where such principal and interest shall be

made payable.

5. The annual charge to be imposed on the consolidated revenue under the provisions of this Act shall not exceed for interest and sinking fund (if any) the sum of six pounds for every one hundred

pounds expressed to be borrowed.

6. Pending the raising of moneys hereinbefore authorized to be raised under this Act, it shall be lawful for the Governor in Council to appoint any two or more persons he may think fit to be Agents, and in their appointments to define the relative powers of such Agents, who shall have full power and authority to borrow and raise any sum or sums of money, not exceeding the sums mentioned in the third section of this Act, as the Governor in Council may from time to time direct and determine, and to take up the same sum or sums of money in debentures from time to time by the sale hypothecation or mortgage of such debentures, hereinafter referred to as "short-dated debentures," as such Agents may deem expedient.

7. Every such short-dated debenture shall bear interest after such rate not exceeding six pounds for every one hundred pounds by the year, and be for such sum and in such form and with or without coupons attached, and be signed on behalf of the Colony, and be transferable and negotiable in such manner as such Agents shall

prescribe

8. The interest and principal of every such short-dated debenture shall be payable at such times and places as such Agents shall prescribe: Provided that the principal moneys secured by any such debenture shall not be made payable at a later period than seven years after the date of issue thereof.

9. The Agents authorized under the third section of this Act to raise any moneys therein mentioned may accept any short-dated debentures issued under the sixth section of this Act in payment for any bonds debentures or other securities issued by them for the purpose of

raising moneys under the said third section of this Act.

10. In order to provide for the payment of the principal moneys of any short-dated debenture, and whenever any short-dated debenture shall be received in payment or exchange for any bond debenture or other security issued under the third section of this Act, the Governor may order that a like amount of short-dated debentures may be pre-

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pared and issued in the place of the short-dated debentures to be or which shall have been paid off or exchanged; and thereupon the Agents for the time being appointed under the sixth section of this Act shall have full power and authority to make out and issue the said amount of short-dated debentures so ordered, and the provisions contained in the sixth, seventh, and eighth sections of this Act shall be applicable thereto.

11. The amount of all short-dated debentures issued under this The amount out-Act, together with all debentures or other securities issued under the standing at one time third section of this Act, outstanding at any one time, shall never

exceed the sum of two millions sterling.

12. No bond debenture or other security issued under this Act Debentures not to be shall be sold or otherwise disposed of at a price which will yield to sold at price to give the purchaser thereof a higher rate of interest by the year there are interest at higher the purchaser thereof a higher rate of interest by the year than six rate than 6 per cent. pounds for every hundred pounds of the purchase money given for such bond debenture or other security.

13. All sums of money borrowed and raised under the authority Money borrowed and of this Act, and all interest thereon, shall be a charge upon the Consolidated Fund of New Zealand, as defined by the fourth section of "The Public Revenues Act, 1867;" and all interest thereon, and the principal, when due, shall be paid by the Colonial Treasurer out of such Consolidated Fund, under warrants to be issued by the Governor.

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tures not to exceed £2,000,000.

14. The moneys raised under the authority hereinbefore con- Application of money tained shall and may be issued and applied to the purposes mentioned borrowed. in this Act and the Schedule to this Act, and no other; and as to purposes mentioned in the said Schedule, shall be issued and applied in sums not exceeding the amounts in the said Schedule respectively provided.

15. All the powers which may be vested in any Agents appointed Agents authorized under this Act may by such Agents be wholly or partly delegated to to delegate powers. any two or more other Agents, subject to such conditions as the Agents delegating such powers shall think fit.

16. The Governor may at any time remove or accept the resig- Removal of Agents. nation of any Agent appointed by him under this Act, and appoint

another person in his place.

17. In every year during which any part of the sums hereby Accounts. authorized to be raised shall remain unexpended, the Colonial Treasurer shall cause an account of the moneys raised under this Act and of the expenditure thereof to be incorporated in the Account required by the seventeenth section of "The Immigration and Public Works Act, 1870," to be prepared and laid before both Houses of the General Assembly

18. Nothing in this Act contained shall be held to prejudice Previous securities alter affect or vary any security or securities heretofore charged on not to be affected. the revenues of New Zealand or any of them.

19. Any part of the Loan authorized by this Act to be raised for Loan authorized by the purposes of railways may, to the extent of eight hundred thousand pounds, be applied to any of the purposes to which is applicable such purposes to which part of the Loan authorized by "The Immigration and Public Works guaranteed portion of Public Works Loan Act, 1870," as is or may be guaranteed by the Lords of the Loan is applicable. Treasury under certain Acts of the Imperial Parliament.

20. Any part of the Loan authorized to be raised under "The Guaranteed portion Immigration and Public Works Loan Act, 1870," and guaranteed by the Lords of the Treasury under certain Acts of the Imperial Parliament, may be applied to any of the purposes to which is applicable to purposes authorized by this Act to be mind applicable to purpose by this Act for railways. that part of the Loan authorized by this Act to be raised for purposes of railways.

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21. There may be raised from time to time such portions of the Loans authorized by the said last-named Act and this Act as shall be directed by the Governor in Council, and be required to meet the expenditure for the time being authorized by the General Assembly to be made on account of the purposes authorized by the said last-named Act and this Act.

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Railways authorized by the General Assembly to be constructed by the Governor, including the expenses of raising this part of this Loan 1,500,000

Purchase of Native land, including the expenses of raising this part of this Loan 500,000

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