

No. XIII.

PROVINCIAL WASTE
LANDS.

AN ACT to authorize the General Assembly to empower the Provincial Councils to enact Laws for regulating the Sale Letting Disposal and Occupation of the Waste Lands of the Crown.

[16th September, 1854.]

[Reserved for the signification of her Majesty's pleasure.]

Preamble reciting
New Zealand Consti-
tution Act.

WHEREAS by an Act of the Imperial Parliament of the Session holden in the fifteenth and sixteenth years of the reign of Her Majesty Queen Victoria, chapter 72, it is amongst other things enacted that, subject to the provisions therein contained, it shall be lawful for the General Assembly of New Zealand to make laws for regulating the sale letting disposal and occupation of the waste lands of the Crown: And whereas it is expedient that the Superintendent of any Province, with the advice and consent of the Provincial Council thereof, should have the power to make laws for regulating the sale letting disposal and occupation of the waste lands of the Crown within the limits of such Province:

BE IT THEREFORE ENACTED by the General Assembly:—

General Assembly au-
thorized to empower
Provincial Councils
to make laws for re-
gulating &c. the
waste lands of the
Crown.

1. Subject to the provisions in the said recited Act contained, it shall be lawful for the General Assembly of New Zealand to authorize and empower the Superintendent of any Province, with the advice and consent of the Provincial Council thereof, to make laws for regulating the sale letting disposal and occupation of the waste lands of the Crown in such Province, either absolutely or upon such terms or conditions and subject to such restrictions and limitations as may be prescribed by any Act or Acts to be passed by the said General Assembly in that behalf, anything in the said recited Act to the contrary notwithstanding.

2. And

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2. And whereas in the said in part recited Act the Governor is authorized and required to pay, out of the revenue arising from the disposal of the waste lands of the Crown in New Zealand, all the costs charges and expenses incident to the collection management and receipt thereof: And whereas it is also provided by the said Act that all costs charges and expenses in relation to the revenue of the said waste lands shall be regulated and audited in such manner as shall be directed by laws of the said General Assembly: And whereas it is expedient that the General Assembly should be authorized to vest such powers and duties in the Superintendents and Provincial Councils respectively: Be it therefore enacted that it shall be lawful for the General Assembly of New Zealand to authorize and empower the Superintendent and Provincial Council respectively of each Province (so far as relates to the administration of the revenue arising from the waste lands of the Crown in such Province) to perform and exercise all the powers and duties so vested in the Governor and General Assembly respectively as aforesaid: Provided always that from the time such powers and duties as aforesaid shall be so vested in any Superintendent and Provincial Council, all the costs charges and expenses incident to the administration of the waste lands in any such Province shall be regulated paid and audited in such manner as shall be provided in that behalf by laws to be from time to time enacted by the Superintendent of such Province, with the advice and consent of the Provincial Council thereof.

General Assembly authorized to empower Superintendents &c. to exercise powers vested in Governor and General Assembly.

3. This Act shall not come into operation until it shall have received the Royal assent, and until the notification of such assent shall have been made in the New Zealand Government *Gazette*, by order of the Governor or the Officer Administering the Government of New Zealand for the time being.

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4. This Act shall be entitled and may be cited as "*The Provincial Waste Lands Act, 1854.*"

Short Title.