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An Act to amend the Law relating to the Sale Letting Title. and Occupation of the Waste Lands of the Crown within that part of the Province of Otago formerly included in the Province of Southland.

[2nd October, 1873.]

HEREAS it is expedient to reduce the price of land, and to Preamble. provide for the sale of portions thereof upon deferred payments, in that part of the Province of Otago which was formerly included within the boundaries of the late Province of Southland:

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 Southland Waste short Title. Lands Act Amendment Act, 1873."

2. It shall be lawful for the Superintendent to cause all the Classification of land waste lands of the Crown within the district formerly known as the into agricultural land and pastoral land. Province of Southland, and not included within any hundreds now existing, to be classified as agricultural land and pastoral land respectively, and such classification shall be made by not more than three Commissioners appointed for that purpose by the Superintendent,

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with the advice of the Executive Council, and of such Commissioners the Chief Surveyor of the said district shall be one; and such Commissioners shall, within six months from the date of their appointment, furnish to the Superintendent a description of the boundaries of the land so classified by them as agricultural land and as pastoral land respectively, which description shall be published in the Otago Provincial Government *Gazette*, and after such publication the land therein described shall for the purposes of this Act be deemed to be agricultural land or pastoral land in accordance with such description.

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3. From and after the date of the publication of the aforesaid description of agricultural land and pastoral land in the Otago Provincial Government Gazette, the price of agricultural land within the aforesaid district shall be forty shillings per acre, and the price of pastoral land within the aforesaid district shall be twenty shillings per acre, and the price of land within the hundreds now existing within the said district shall be, except as hereinafter provided, twenty shillings per acre: Provided always that if at any time the Superintendent and the Provincial Council of Otago shall recommend the Governor to raise such price, then it shall be lawful for the Governor in Council, if he shall see fit, to raise such price over the whole or any part of the said district in accordance with such recommendation.

4. It shall be lawful for the Superintendent of Otago, temporarily and pending the meeting next ensuing of the Provincial Council, to set aside and reserve from sale such blocks of land within the said district as he shall see fit: Provided that such temporary reservation shall be null and void after the termination of the Session next ensuing of the Provincial Council.

5. It shall be lawful for the Superintendent, with the advice and consent of the Provincial Council, to set aside lands for sale on deferred payments, such lands to be sold and dealt with in terms of and subject to the conditions and provisions embodied in sections forty-seven to sixty-four inclusive of "The Otago Waste Lands Act, 1872:" Provided that whenever in the said sections of "The Otago Waste Lands Act, 1872," the following words are used, they shall bear the meanings hereinafter severally assigned to them, that is to say,—The words "District Officer" shall mean the Commissioner of Crown Lands for that part of the Province formerly included in the boundaries of the late Province of Southland; and the words "Waste Lands Board" shall mean the Waste Lands Board for the part of the Province of Otago formerly included in the boundaries of the Province of Southland, being the Waste Lands Board appointed under the provisions of "The Southland Waste Lands Act, 1865."

6. The laws regulating the sale letting and occupation of the waste lands of the Crown within the district aforesaid in force at the time of the passing of "The Otago and Southland Reunion Act, 1870," shall continue to be in force, in so far as they are not repugnant to the provisions of this Act.

7. The fortieth section of "The Southland Waste Lands Act, 1865," shall hereafter be read as if the following proviso had been added thereto, and such proviso shall be read as part of the said section accordingly, that is to say,—Provided that every occupier of twenty acres of land and not exceeding one hundred acres of land within the hundred shall have one vote, and an additional vote for every one hundred additional acres.

8. Nothing in this Act contained shall prejudicially affect any pre-emptive right created under "The Southland Waste Lands Act, 1865."

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