Rt. Hon. R. J. Seddon.

CONVICTS' FORFEITURES ACT AMENDMENT.

ANALYSIS

Title. Short Title. Definition of term "convict."

3. Acts of Public Trustee as general administrator of convicts' property validated. 4. Power to appoint a general administrator.

A BILL INTITULED

An Act to amend "The Convicts' Forfeitures Act, 1871."

Title.

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

1. The Short Title of this Act is "The Convicts' Forfeitures Short Title. Act Amendment Act, 1905"; and it shall form part of and be read together with "The Convicts' Forfeitures Act, 1871" (hereinafter referred to as "the principal Act").

2. For all purposes of the principal Act the expression "convict" shall, as from the commencement of "The Criminal Code Act, 1893," be deemed to have included every person sentenced under that Act to imprisonment for a term of three years or upwards with or without

Definition of term

hard labour. 3. Any act, deed, matter, or thing heretofore done by the Public Acts of Public 15 Trustee, acting as administrator of the property of any convict under Trustee as general administrator of the authority of an appointment made by the Governor, and pub- convicts' property lished in the Gazette of the tenth day of September, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-four, shall be as valid and effectual as if 20 such appointment had been lawfully made, but on the passing of this

Act he shall cease to act under such appointment.

4. The power to appoint an administrator of the property of a Power to appoint convict which by section nine of the principal Act is conferred on the ageneral adminis-Governor, or any person authorised in that behalf by the Governor,

25 may be exercised either generally as to all convicts or specifically as to individual convicts.