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This Public Bill originated in the House of Representatives and having this day passed as now printed is transmitted to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

House of Representatives, 26th September, 1873.

(Hon. Mr. Richardson.)

Government Buildings Water Supply.

ANALYSIS.

Title. Preamble.

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A BILL INTITULED

An Act to validate certain Payments hitherto made out Title of the Consolidated Revenue of the Colony for the exercise of a right to take Water for the supply of the General Government Buildings in Wellington, and to authorize the Governor to enter into a Contract for the continued exercise of such right.

WHEREAS an agreement was some time since made by the General Preamble. Government with one Charles John Harrison, of Wellington, Gentleman, for the right to take water for the supply of the Government Buildings from certain springs on the land of the said Charles John Harrison, on the Tinakori Road, in consideration of an annual payment to him of twenty-five pounds: And whereas such annual payment has hitherto been paid to the said Charles John Harrison out of the Consolidated Fund without special appropriation, and it is expedient that provision should be made by Parliament enabling a contract to be entered into for securing the right to such water supply, and for the annual payments to be made in respect thereof:

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

15 1. The Short Title of this Act shall be "The Government short Title. Buildings Water Supply Act, 1873."

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Governor may enter into contract for future right to take water from the said springs.

Appropriation of £25 annually as payment for right.

Meaning of term "Government Buildings." 2. The Governor may, in the name and on behalf of Her Majesty the Queen, her heirs and successors, enter into and execute a contract with the said Charles John Harrison, his heirs or assigns, for the right to take water from the said springs for the supply of the Government Buildings, on such terms and conditions as to the duration and exercise of such right as he may think fit; but no payment for the exercise of such right shall exceed the annual sum of twenty-five pounds.

3. The Colonial Treasurer shall be and he is hereby authorized from time to time, subject to the terms of any such contract, to pay to the said Charles John Harrison, his heirs or assigns, out of the consolidated revenue of the Colony, an annual sum not exceeding twenty-five pounds, so long as the right to take such water shall

subsist.

4. The expression "Government Buildings" shall mean and include not only the offices of the General Government but also all the buildings outhouses and offices used or occupied or connected therewith, Government House and the outhouses and offices used or occupied therewith, and the Museum and the buildings and offices connected therewith, and such other buildings as in and by such contract may be prescribed.

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