Hon. Mr. Conolly.

GISBORNE COURTS PROCEEDINGS VALIDATION.

ANALYSIS.

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A BILL INTITULED

An Acr to validate the Sittings and Proceedings of the Supreme Title. Court lately held at Gisborne, and also to validate the Sittings and Proceedings of the District Court lately held at Gisborne aforesaid.

WHEREAS a sitting of the Supreme Court for the trial of civil and Preamble. criminal issues was lawfully appointed to be held at the courthouse

- at Gisborne, on Monday the eighteenth day of June, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-three: And whereas the Chief Justice, 10 being the Judge of the said Court before whom such sitting was intended to be held, being unable to reach Gisborne at the appointed date, the Registrar of the Court there adjourned such sitting, in accordance with the power vested in him for that purpose by "The Supreme Court Act, 1882;" but, the courthouse being too small,
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 15 the Registrar adjourned such sitting to be held at a place in
 Gisborne known as "McFarlane's Hall," where the Court was
 accordingly held: And whereas such adjournment was made
 erroneously, and ought to have been made to the courthouse
 aforesaid: And whereas civil and criminal issues have been tried at
- 20 the sitting so held as aforesaid, and other proceedings have been taken thereat, and it is expedient the same should be validated as hereinafter provided: And whereas sittings of the District Court were heretofore lawfully appointed to be held at the courthouse at Gisborne, but the sittings of the said Court have been held in McFarlane's Hall,
- 25 and not at the said courthouse; and it is also expedient that such sittings, and the proceedings thereat and consequent thereon, should also be validated as aforesaid:

Be it therefore enacted by the General Assembly of New Zealand in Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same,

30 as follows:—

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No. 48-1.

Short Title.

validated.

Sittings of Supreme Court at Gisborne 1. The Short Title of this Act is "The Gisborne Courts Proceedings Validation Act, 1883."

2. The sittings of the Supreme Court held at McFarlane's Hall, at Gisborne, on or about the eighteenth day of June aforesaid, and on any day or days subsequent thereto, are hereby declared to have been lawfully held, and to be as valid as if the same had been lawfully appointed to be holden at McFarlane's Hall instead of at the said courthouse.

Sittings of the District Court at Gisborne validated. 3. All sittings of the District Court held at McFarlane's Hall instead of the courthouse at Gisborne as aforesaid shall and the 10 same are hereby severally and respectively declared to have been lawfully held, and to be as valid as if each such sitting had been lawfully appointed to be holden at McFarlane's Hall instead of at the said courthouse.

Validation of judgments and proceedings, &c. 4. Every judgment, sentence, decree, order, process, or proceeding of any kind pronounced, made, ordered, or taken in or about each such sitting of the Supreme Court or the District Court as aforesaid, or in anywise relating thereto respectively, and whether prior to the date of any such sitting or subsequent thereto, shall, in so far as the validity thereof depended or may hereafter depend on the 20 holding of such Court at a place not duly appointed for that purpose, be and be deemed to have been valid and effectual to all intents and purposes whatsoever.

By Authority: George Didsbury, Government Printer, Wellington.—1883.