

A BILL INTITULED

AN ACT to make provision for the Supply of Water to the Government Offices in the City of Wellington and for other purposes.

Title.

BE it 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 Government Offices (Wellington) Water Supply Act 1868."

Short Title.

2. It shall be lawful for the Governor to order and direct reservoirs dams aqueducts sluices and other works to be made and maintained and water-pipes to be laid for the purpose of conveying water from the land described in the Schedule hereto through Tinakori Road and along Hill Street and Sidney Streets in the City of Wellington and to intercept collect impound and use for the purpose of supplying to the Offices of the Government and such other buildings and places in Wellington aforesaid and for such other purposes as may be thought fit the water which shall fall and enter upon or drain into the lands described in the said Schedule.

The Governor may construct and maintain Water-works.

3. All persons being owners of or having any less estate or interest in any lands which may be damaged by the construction of such works as authorized by the Act shall be entitled to receive out of any moneys which may be appropriated for that purpose by the General Assembly compensation the amount whereof shall be ascertained in the manner set forth in "The Lands Clauses Consolidation Act 1863" which Act shall be incorporated with this Act for that purpose.

Compensation.

4. It shall be lawful for the Governor to order and direct the soil and pavement of any streets and bridges within the City of Wellington which may for the purposes of this Act be required to be opened and broken up to be so opened and broken up and any sewers drains or tunnels within or under such streets or bridges to be opened and broken up and pipes conduits service-pipes and other works to be laid down and placed within the same limits and to order and direct the same to be from time to time repaired altered or removed and the earth and all materials in and under such streets and bridges to be removed and used and all other acts to be done which may be necessary for such supply of water as aforesaid doing as little damage as may be in the execution of the powers hereby granted and making compensation as aforesaid for any damage which may be done in the execution of such powers.

Power to break up streets and open drains.

5. Before any street bridge sewer drain or tunnel shall be opened or broken up under the authority of this Act notice in writing shall be

Notice to be given to persons having con-

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given to the persons board or body corporate under whose control or management the same may be or their engineer surveyor clerk or other officer of the intention to open or break up such street bridge sewer drain or tunnel not less than three clear days before such work shall be begun except in cases of emergency arising from defects in any of the pipes or other works and then so soon as is possible after the beginning of the work or after the necessity for the same shall have arisen. 5

Streets &c. not to be
broken up except
under superin-
tendence of persons
having control
thereof unless such
persons fail to super-
intend the work after
notice.

6. No such street bridge sewer drain or tunnel shall except in cases of emergency as aforesaid be opened or broken up except under the superintendence of the persons board or body corporate having the control or management thereof or their engineer surveyor clerk or other officer duly authorized for such purpose and according to such plan as shall be approved by such persons board or body engineer surveyor clerk or officer or in case of any difference respecting such plan then according to such plan as shall be determined by two Justices and such Justices may on the application of the persons board or body corporate having the control or management of such sewer or drain or their officer require temporary or other provision to be made for guarding against interruption of the drainage during the execution of any works which may interfere with such sewer or drain. Provided always that if the persons board or body corporate having the control or management as aforesaid or their officer fail to attend at the time fixed for the opening of any street bridge drain sewer or tunnel after such notice as aforesaid or shall not propose any plan for breaking up or opening the same or shall refuse or neglect to superintend the operation the work specified in such notice may be performed without the superintendence of such persons board body corporate or officer. 15 20 25

Streets &c. broken up
to be reinstated
without delay.

7. When the road or pavement of any street or bridge or any sewer drain or tunnel shall be opened or broken up under the authority of this Act it shall be the duty of the person or persons opening or breaking up the same with all convenient speed to complete the work for which the street bridge sewer drain or tunnel is so opened or broken up and to fill in the ground and reinstate and make good the road or pavement sewer drain or tunnel so opened and broken up and to carry away any rubbish occasioned thereby and at all times when such road or pavement shall be opened or broken up to cause the same to be fenced and guarded and a light sufficient for the warning of passengers to be set up and kept thereagainst from sunset to sunrise on every night during which such road or pavement shall be continued open or broken up after replacing and making good such road or pavement to keep the same in good repair for three months thereafter. 30 35 40

Governor may dele-
gate powers.

8. It shall be lawful for the Governor in Council from time to time to delegate all or any of the powers by this Act conferred on any person or persons board or body of persons for any period and subject to such stipulations as may be thought necessary or proper and every such delegation from time to time to alter or revoke. Provided that such alteration or revocation shall not destroy or affect the validity of any acts done during the existence of such delegation. 45 50

SCHEDULE.

ALL that parcel of land in the City of Wellington comprising the sections numbered six hundred and thirty (630) and six hundred and thirty-one (631) on the plan thereof and containing by admeasurement two (2) acres one (1) rood and twenty-four (24) perches more or less bounded towards the South-east by Tinakori Road four hundred (400) links thence towards the North-east by the section numbered six hundred and thirty-two (632) in the occupation of Charles Harrison six hundred (600) links thence towards the North-west by Grant Road four hundred (400) links and thence towards the South-west by the section numbered six hundred and twenty-nine (629) in the occupation of or belonging to Joseph Godfrey Holdsworth six hundred (600) links.