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Mr. Hornsby.

GREYTOWN RESERVES VESTING AND DISPOSAL ENABLING.

[LOCAL BILL.]

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A BILL INTITULED

- An Act to enable the Vesting of certain Lands in the Mayor, Title. Councillors, and Burgesses of the Borough of Greytown, and to enable the Disposal thereof.
- 5 WHEREAS the land described in the First Schedule hereto is vested Preamble. in the Waiohine River Board for purposes of public utility, and is no longer required by the said Board for the purposes for which it was acquired: And whereas the land described in the Second Schedule is vested in the trustees appointed under "The Masterton and Greytown
- 10 Land Management Act, 1871," and the amendments thereof for the purposes of public utility, and has been for many years, and still is, used as a public recreation reserve: And whereas the land described in the Third Schedule is vested in the trustees appointed under "The Greytown and Masterton Public Park and Cemetery Reserves
- 15 Management Act, 1875," for the purposes of a public park, but the reserve is so situated as to be unsuitable for such purposes: And whereas the land described in the Fourth Schedule is vested in the Mayor, Councillors, and Burgesses of the Borough of Greytown for purposes of public utility, but cannot be utilised for its intended at purposes: And whereas it is expedient that the said land described
- 20 purposes: And whereas it is expedient that the said land described in the First, Second, and Third Schedules should be vested in the Mayor, Councillors, and Burgesses of the Borough of Greytown (hereinafter called "the Corporation"), and that the Corporation should be empowered to sell such of the lands described in the First,
- 25 Second, Third, and Fourth Schedules as may be advisable to sell for the purpose of enabling the Corporation to purchase in lieu of such lands so sold other lands suitable for the purpose of a public park and recreation reserve:

No. 108-2.

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

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Disposal of purchase-money.

1. The Short Title of this Act is "The Greytown Reserves Vesting and Disposal Enabling Act, 1901."

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2. The Waiohine River Board is hereby empowered to convey or transfer to the Corporation the lands described in the First Schedule hereto, to be held by the Corporation for the purposes of a public park and recreation reserve.

3. The Greytown trustees for the time being as defined by "The 10Masterton and Greytown Lands Management Act Amendment Act, 1883," are hereby empowered to convey and to transfer to the Corporation the lands described in the Second Schedule hereto, to be held by the Corporation as a public park and recreation-reserve.

The trustees appointed under "The Greytown and Masterton 15 Public Park and Cemetery Reserves Management Act, 1875" (hereinafter called "the Park trustees"), are hereby empowered to convey and transfer to the Corporation the land described in the Third Schedule hereto, to be held by the Corporation as a public park and recreation reserve.

5. Such conveyances or transfers mentioned in paragraphs two, three, and four of this Act, or any of them, shall be made subject to any lawful existing leases or tenancies of the said lands, or any of them.

6. A statutory declaration made by any one-or more-of the surviving 25 Greytown trustees, setting forth that the persons executing any conveyance or transfer under the authority of this Act were the Greytown trustees at the time of the execution of such conveyance or transfer, shall be conclusive evidence for all purposes that such conveyance or transfer has been completely executed by all the Greytown trustees, 30 and that all the estate and interest of the Greytown trustees has become vested in the Corporation.

7. A statutory declaration made by any one or more of the surviving Park trustees, setting forth that the persons executing any conveyance or transfer under the authority of this Act were the Park trustees at 35 the time of the execution of such conveyance or transfer, shall be conclusive evidence for all purposes that such conveyance or transfer has been completely executed by all the Park trustees, and that all the estate and interest of the Park trustees has become vested in the Corporation.

8. The Corporation is hereby empowered, upon such terms and conditions as it shall think fit, to sell and dispose of the whole or any one or more of the lands described in the First, Second, Third, and Fourth Schedules hereto or any part thereof, and on payment of the purchase-money thereof to execute to the purchaser, or as he shall 45 direct, a conveyance or transfer of the land so sold.

9. The purchase-money derived from the sale or sales mentioned in clause eight hereof shall be applied in purchasing land for the enlargement of some one of the said pieces of land described in the said Schedules hereto or in purchasing other lands and in the erection of 50 or construction or making of such buildings, facilities, or works necessary or desirable for the purposes of a public park and recreation

reserve; and such land so purchased shall be held by the Corporation

as a public park and recreation reserve.

10. The Corporation is hereby empowered to lease the said lands, Corporation or any of them, in the manner prescribed by "The Municipal Cor-empowered to lease lands. porations Act, 1900." provided—that, except—as—to—such—piece—of—such lands as may be actually used as a recreation reserve, section one hundred and ninety six of "The Municipal Corporations Act, 1900," shall-not-apply."

11. The Corporation shall manage the said lands in all respects Corporation 10 as to the said Corporation may seem expedient, but so that the land shall be used (subject, however, to the provisions of this Act) for the purposes for which they have by this Act been set apart; and any rents or revenue the Corporation shall receive shall be expended on the said lands, or some or one of them, so far as such expenditure is 15 necessary or expedient, and the surplus above such expenditure shall be invested by the Corporation, and shall be used in the same manner as the purchase-money of land sold is directed to be applied in clause nine hereof.

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Provided always that the Corporation may for not more 20 than twenty days in a year close to the public such of the said lands as is actually used as a public park and recreation reserve, and may charge for admission to such land on such days, or authorise the charging for admission on such days, on such terms as to the Corporation may 25 seem expedient.

SCHEDULES.

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FIRST SCHEDULE.

ALL that piece of land in the Land District of Wellington, containing by admeasurement 64 acres 2 roods, more or less, known as the Channel Reserve, situate in Block XIV., Tiffin Survey District, the Provincial District of Wellington, being part of the Hupenui No. 1 Block (No. 689). Bounded on the north by other part of the said block, 10350 links; on the north east by the Muhunoa Creek; on the south east by Native land, 745 links; on the south by other part of the said block, 10750 links; and on the west by a public road, 625 links: and being all the land comprised in a certain deed of convey ance, registered number 25900. towards the north-east by a right line, 10389 links, bearing south 60° 52' east from the road forming the south-eastern boundary of Section No. 76 to the Muhunoa Stream, thence by that stream to the northern boundary of the Purakau Block; thence towards the south by the said Purakau Block, 214 2 links; thence towards the south-west by a right line, 11133 6 links, bearing north 60° 52' west to the road forming the south-eastern boundary of Section No. 76 aforesaid; and thence towards the north-west by that road, 611.2 links.

SECOND SCHEDULE.

ALL that piece of land containing 3 acres 2 roods 8 32 perches, more or less, being the sections numbered 41, 42, 43, 44, and 45 on the plan of the Town Belt of the Township of Greytown. except-only such part of the said sections as has been taken for a public road.

THIRD SCHEDULE.

ALL that piece of land in the Land District of Wellington, containing by admeasurement 25 acres 23 acres 3 roods, more or less, situate in the Provincial District of Wellington, and being part of the section numbered 38, on the plan of the Moroa Block, Borough of Greytown. Bounded towards the north-west by the other part of the said section numbered 38, and section numbered 39, 1900 links; towards the north-east by a public road, 1250 links; towards the south-east by the main road, 1900 links; and towards the south-west by a public road, 1250 links.

FOURTH SCHEDULE.

ALL that piece of land in the Land District of Wellington, containing by admeasurement 17 acres 3 roods 26 perches, more or less, situate in the Provincial District of Wellington, being the sections numbered 75 and 76, on the plan of Block XIV., Tiffin Survey District.

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