Hon. Mr. Russell.

LAKE COLERIDGE WATER-POWER.

ANALYSIS.

Title. 1. Short Title. 2. Power to confer certain powers on certain local authorities.

A BILL INTITULED

An Act to extend the Powers of Local Authorities in Respect of Title. the Use of Power obtained from the Lake Coleridge Waterpower Works.

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

1. This Act may be cited as the Lake Coleridge Water-power Short Title.

Act, 191. 2. (1) The Governor may, by Order in Council, confer on any Power to confer local authority contracting with His Majesty the King for the supply certain powers on of electricity from the works established at Lake Coleridge by the authorities. Minister of Public Works such of the powers of Borough Councils with respect to lighting and the supply of electricity as he thinks fit, 15 and with such restrictions, modifications, and conditions as he thinks

fit, and thereupon that local authority shall have and may exercise the said powers accordingly pursuant to the tenor of the said Order in Council.

(2.) Any local authority upon which any of the powers aforesaid 20 are conferred may, for the pupose of exercising such powers, raise by special order under the Local Bodies' Loans Act, 1913, without taking the steps described in sections eight to twelve of that Act, any sum not exceeding five thousand pounds.

(3.) Subject to the terms of any Order in Council made under 25 this Act, the cost of connecting any premises with any electric-light main, and of supplying the necessary fittings thereto (together with interest thereon at such rate not exceeding six per centum per annum, as the local authority thinks fit) shall, until payment by the owner of the premises, be a charge on those premises.

By Authority: JOHN MACKAY, Government Printer, Wellington.-1915.