

[AS REPORTED FROM THE LOCAL BILLS COMMITTEE.]

House of Representatives, 25th October, 1934.

Hon. Mr. Young.

LOCAL LEGISLATION.

ANALYSIS.

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A BILL INTITULED

- Title. AN ACT to confer certain Powers on certain Public Bodies and to validate certain Transactions.
- BE IT ENACTED by the General Assembly of New Zealand in Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:—
- Short Title. 1. This Act may be cited as the Local Legislation Act, 1934.

County Councils.

- Extending period of appointment of Commissioner for County of Matakaoa. 2. Subsection eleven of section ten of the Local Legislation Act, 1932-33, is hereby amended by omitting the words "nineteen hundred and thirty-five", and substituting the words "nineteen hundred and thirty-eight".

3. Whereas during the financial year ended the thirty-first day of March, nineteen hundred and thirty-four, the Buller County Council (hereinafter called the Council) borrowed moneys from its bankers by way of
5 overdraft in excess of the limits prescribed by section three of the Local Bodies' Finance Act, 1921-22 (hereinafter referred to as the said Act): And whereas such excess overdraft was occasioned primarily by reason of
10 extraordinary expenditure incurred in connection with repair and reconstruction work in the County of Buller consequent upon the earthquake which occurred in the month of June, nineteen hundred and twenty-nine, and the consequent flooding of various rivers: And whereas
15 such extraordinary expenditure could have been authorized pursuant to the provisions of the Local Government Loans Board Act, 1926, and section seven of the said Act, but the Council omitted to obtain the necessary sanction and consents thereunder: Be it therefore enacted as follows:—
- 20 (1) Any moneys at any time heretofore expended by the Council for the purpose of repairing damage to roads and rivers in the County of Buller caused by reason of the aforesaid earthquake and consequent flooding of
25 rivers, not exceeding a sum (hereinafter referred to as the said sum) equal to the amount of the overdraft as at the thirty-first day of March, nineteen hundred and thirty-four, in excess of the statutory limit fixed by section three of the said Act, shall be deemed to have
30 been lawfully borrowed under section seven of the said Act in all respects as if the Council had obtained the necessary sanction and consents as aforesaid to borrow such moneys.
- (2) The said sum shall be repaid by the Council by seven equal payments out of the moneys credited
35 to the General Account of the County Fund, one such payment to be made in each year of the period of seven years commencing on the first day of April, nineteen hundred and thirty-four:
- 40 Provided that the Council may in any year repay an amount greater than such seventh part.
- (3) The said sum shall not at any time heretofore be deemed to have been taken into account nor shall any amount at any time hereafter lawfully owing under

Provision
respecting
expenditure by
Buller County
Council on repair
of earthquake
and flood
damage.

this section be taken into account in determining the amount that may be borrowed or that may be owed by the Council pursuant to section three of the said Act.

Validating
allocation of
interest charges
on bridges loan
of £209,000
raised by
Patangata
County Council.

4. Whereas the Patangata County Council (hereinafter called the Council) pursuant to a proposal carried by the ratepayers of the Patangata County on the twenty-second day of March, nineteen hundred and twenty-one, was authorized to raise a loan of two hundred and nine thousand pounds (hereinafter called the said loan) for the purpose of re-erecting and renewing all the bridges and culverts in the said county, the sum of one hundred and seventy-one thousand nine hundred and ninety-two pounds being allocated to the several ridings of the said county, and the remainder to the general purposes of the county: And whereas of the amount authorized the sum of sixty thousand pounds has been raised and expended: And whereas the security for the said loan was stated in the proposal as set out in the voting-paper to be an annual special rate of three farthings in the pound, to be made and levied on the capital value of all rateable property in the Patangata County, such rate to be an annual-recurring rate until the said loan is repaid: And whereas the Council passed a special order on the seventh day of February, nineteen hundred and twenty-two, providing that in lieu of a special rate of three farthings in the pound on the capital value of all rateable property in the Patangata County, special rates to the extent necessary to meet interest, sinking fund, and other charges upon the amount of the said loan expended in each riding be struck and levied on the capital value of each riding: And whereas the action of the Council was without authority of law: And whereas it is now desired that such unlawful action be validated in respect of the period up to and including the thirty-first day of March, nineteen hundred and thirty-four, and that authority be given to strike similar special rates over the several ridings for the year ending on the thirty-first day of March, nineteen hundred and thirty-five: Be it therefore enacted as follows:—

(1) The action of the Council hitherto in paying the annual charges on the said loan out of riding funds in proportion to the amounts of the said loan expended in the respective ridings is hereby validated.

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(2) The Council may make and levy special rates to the extent necessary to provide for the annual charges on the said loan for the year ending on the thirty-first day of March, nineteen hundred and thirty-five, upon the basis set out in the *last preceding* subsection.

5 5. Whereas doubts have arisen as to the boundaries of the County of Sounds: And whereas it is desirable to remove such doubts and to fix the boundaries of the said county: Be it therefore enacted as follows:—

Fixing
boundaries of
Sounds County.

10 The County of Sounds is hereby declared to consist of—

All those areas of land above mean high-water mark situated in the Nelson and Marlborough Land Districts, including the mainland and islands lying within an area bounded by a line commencing at a point on the sea-
15 coast at Pukerau Point; thence along a right line running due north to its intersection with the parallel of latitude 40° 30' south; thence due east along that parallel of latitude to its intersection with the meridian of longitude 174° 30' east; thence due south along that meridian to
20 a point due east of the southernmost point of White's Bay; thence along a right line to the southernmost point of White's Bay; thence along the boundaries of the Marlborough County as described in the *Gazette* of the tenth day of March, nineteen hundred and thirty-two,
25 page 473, to North Castor Peak; thence along a right line from North Castor Peak to Pukerau Point, the place of commencement.

6. Whereas on the seventeenth day of November, nineteen hundred and eleven, the Waitotara County
30 Council (hereinafter called the Council) was, pursuant to section fifteen of the Local Bodies' Loans Act, 1908, authorized by ratepayers of portion of the County of Waitotara to raise a special loan of four thousand pounds (hereinafter referred to as the said loan) on
35 the security of a special rate over a portion of the county known for the purposes of the said loan as the Ahu Ahu Special-rating District (hereinafter referred to as the Ahu Ahu District): And whereas the Ahu Ahu District was incorrectly defined by the Council: And
40 whereas such special rate was made as a rate of twopence and one farthing in the pound on the rateable value of all rateable property in the Ahu Ahu District: And whereas

Legalizing a
special loan of
£4,000 raised by
the Waitotara
County Council
in respect of the
Ahu Ahu
Special-rating
District.

the said loan was raised under the New Zealand State-guaranteed Advances Act, 1909, as to portion thereof at one rate of interest and as to another portion thereof at a higher rate of interest than that contemplated when such special rate was made and levied: 5
 And whereas it accordingly became necessary to make provision in addition to such special rate to meet the increased annual payments in respect of the said loan: And whereas in making such additional provision pursuant to section three of the New Zealand State-guaranteed Advances Amendment Act, 1912, the Council 10
 mistakenly made a special rate of twopence and three-eighths of a penny instead of one-eighth of a penny in the pound on the rateable value of all rateable property in the Ahu Ahu District: And whereas 15
 it is expedient to make provision as hereinafter appears to legalize the said loan: Be it therefore enacted as follows:—

(1) It is hereby declared that the said loan shall for all purposes be deemed to have been lawfully raised 20
 by the Council.

(2) The Ahu Ahu District is hereby declared to consist, and at all relevant times heretofore to have consisted, of—

Section 1, Block II, Waipakura Survey District: 25

One thousand six hundred and eighty acres
 three roods thirty-four perches;

Puketotara 2D 2B 2, Block 9, Tauakira Survey

District: Two thousand three hundred and
 thirty-nine acres and twenty-nine perches; 30

Section 3, Block 12, Momahaki Survey District:

One thousand three hundred and forty-one
 acres one rood;

Section 3, Block 13, Tauakira Survey District:

One thousand nine hundred and eighteen acres; 35

Section 2, Block 13, Tauakira Survey District:

One thousand eight hundred and twenty acres
 three roods nineteen perches;

Section 1, Block 14, Tauakira Survey District:

One thousand and fifty-eight acres; 40

Section 1, Block 12, Momahaki Survey District:

One thousand nine hundred and forty-six
 acres;

Section 2, Block 14, Tauakira Survey District :
One thousand nine hundred and sixteen acres ;

Section 3, Block 14, Tauakira Survey District :
One thousand two hundred and seventy acres ;
and

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Section 1, Block 9, Tauakira Survey District : One
thousand two hundred and two acres.

(3) The Council shall for all purposes be deemed to
have duly made—

10 (a) On the eighth day of January, nineteen hundred
and twelve, a special rate of twopence and
one farthing in the pound on the rateable value
of all rateable property in the Ahu Ahu District
for the purposes of the said loan ; and

15 (b) On the third day of March, nineteen hundred
and thirteen, pursuant to subsection one of
section three of the New Zealand State-
guaranteed Advances Amendment Act, 1912,
a special rate of one-eighth of a penny in the
20 pound on the rateable value of all such rate-
able property as aforesaid to meet the increased
annual payments in respect of the said loan
consequent on part thereof having been raised
at such higher rate of interest as aforesaid.

25 (4) All relevant resolutions of the Council and notices
in the *Gazette* and other relevant instruments, documents,
and papers in respect of the said loan shall be read as
at all times defining the Ahu Ahu District to consist of
the lands mentioned in subsection *two* hereof, and as
30 mentioning the said rate of one-eighth of a penny instead
of a rate of twopence and three-eighths of a penny as
aforesaid.

(5) The raising by the Council of an additional loan
of ten per centum of the said loan and the making of a
35 special rate of one farthing in the pound on the rateable
value of all rateable property in the Ahu Ahu District
in connection with such additional loan shall not be
questioned in any Court on any ground whatever.

40 7. The payments made by the Waiapu County Council,
amounting to the sum of fifty pounds four shillings and
fourpence in the financial year ended the thirty-first day
of March, nineteen hundred and thirty-one, and amounting
to the sum of twenty-five pounds two shillings and two-

Validating
certain payments
of interest by
Waiapu County
Council.

pence in the financial year ended the thirty-first day of March, nineteen hundred and thirty-two, for interest on purchase-money payable in respect of the purchase of a cottage, which was required for county purposes, are hereby respectively validated and declared to have been lawfully made. 5

City and Borough Councils.

Authorizing
Auckland City
Council to raise
special loan not
exceeding
£29,000.

8. Whereas certain leases granted by the Auckland City Council (hereinafter called the Council) or its predecessors in title, have recently expired and other leases will shortly expire: And whereas under some of such leases compensation is payable or has already been paid by the Council in respect of buildings erected in terms of such leases: And whereas it became necessary for the Council to commence certain substantial alterations, improvements, and repairs to some of the buildings acquired by the Council under such expired leases, and it will be necessary for the Council to carry out alterations, improvements, and repairs to the buildings affected by the leases shortly to expire: And whereas part of the compensation under such expired leases and part of the expenditure on such buildings has already been advanced by the Council out of its General Account: And whereas the Council is desirous of raising a loan for the purpose of providing the moneys required for such further works and compensation and for the purpose of repaying to the General Account the moneys already advanced thereout by the Council as aforesaid: Be it therefore enacted as follows:—

(1) The Council is hereby authorized to borrow by way of special loan a sum or sums not exceeding in the aggregate twenty-nine thousand pounds for the following purposes:—

(a) Providing funds for the payment of compensation payable under any leases granted by the Council or its predecessors in title which have already expired or will expire during the period from the first day of April, nineteen hundred and thirty-three, to the thirty-first day of March, nineteen hundred and thirty-five:

(b) Providing funds for the cost of alterations, improvements, and repairs to buildings the leases of which have already expired or will expire during the aforesaid period, including the buildings known as the Victoria Arcade in the City of Auckland. 45

(2) The Council is hereby authorized and empowered to refund to its General Account from the proceeds of any such loan all moneys heretofore or hereafter paid or advanced by the Council on account of the compensation and works aforesaid.

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9. Whereas on the first day of January, nineteen hundred and thirty-four, the sum of one hundred thousand pounds, being portion of a loan known as Additional Loan, 1883, £200,000 (hereinafter referred to as the first original loan), raised in London by the Auckland City Council (hereinafter called the Council) under the City of Auckland Additional Loan Act, 1883, fell due: And whereas on the first day of January, nineteen hundred and thirty-four, the sum of one hundred thousand pounds, being portion of a loan known as Streets Improvement Loan, 1913, £225,000 (hereinafter referred to as the second original loan), raised by the Council under the Local Bodies' Loans Act, 1908, fell due: And whereas by an Order in Council under the Local Government Loans Board Act, 1926, dated the thirteenth day of November, nineteen hundred and thirty-three (and subject to the determinations as to borrowing and repayment therein set out), consent was given to the raising by the Council of the following loans (hereinafter referred to as the repayment loans), namely—Additional Loan 1883 Redemption Loan, 1934, £100,000; Streets Improvement 1913 (£225,000) Redemption Loan, 1934, £100,000: And whereas pursuant to an Order in Council under the Local Government Loans Board Act, 1926, dated the fourth day of December, nineteen hundred and thirty-three, consenting to the borrowing of the sum of two hundred thousand pounds (pending the raising thereof by way of special loans) by the hypothecation or mortgage of the debentures authorized to be issued in respect of the repayment loans, the Council borrowed the said sum of two hundred thousand pounds from the Bank of New Zealand, and the moneys so borrowed by the Council from the said bank were applied in repayment of the said sum of one hundred thousand pounds under the first original loan and of the sum of one hundred thousand pounds under the second original loan, of which portions were paid in London and the balances in New Zealand: And whereas the balance of the first original loan falls due

Special provisions with respect to sinking funds of certain original and renewal loans raised by the Auckland City Council.

as follows—twenty-five thousand pounds on the first day of January, nineteen hundred and thirty-five; twenty-five thousand pounds on the first day of January, nineteen hundred and thirty-six; twenty-five thousand pounds on the first day of January, nineteen hundred and thirty-seven; twenty-five thousand pounds on the first day of January, nineteen hundred and thirty-eight: And whereas the balance of the second original loan amounts to one hundred thousand pounds and the maturity date thereof was fixed for the first day of August, nineteen hundred and thirty-five, but such balance or sum of one hundred thousand pounds has now been converted and included in the Auckland City Conversion Loan, 1934: And whereas the Auckland City Sinking Funds Commissioners (hereinafter called the Commissioners), pursuant to a sanction of the Local Government Loans Board, granted on the third day of November, nineteen hundred and thirty-three, have retained the sum of one hundred thousand pounds of the accumulated sinking fund held by them in respect of the first original loan for the purpose of repaying the Additional Loan 1883 Redemption Loan, 1934, £100,000, at maturity: And whereas the Commissioners, pursuant to a sanction of the Local Government Loans Board, granted on the third day of November, nineteen hundred and thirty-three, have retained the whole of the accumulated sinking fund held by them in respect of the second original loan for the purpose of repaying the Streets Improvement 1913 (£225,000) Redemption Loan, 1934, £100,000, at maturity: And whereas the totals as at the thirty-first day of March, nineteen hundred and thirty-four, of the respective sinking funds established in respect of the first and second original loans were two hundred and twenty-three thousand four hundred and eighty-three pounds and one hundred and eight thousand seven hundred and seventy-three pounds respectively, and the Council is desirous that the interest on the said respective sinking funds should be paid to the Council: Be it therefore enacted as follows:—

(1) Notwithstanding anything contained in the Local Bodies' Loans Act, 1926, or in any other Act, the Commissioners shall pay to the Council the whole of the net interest received during the period from the first day of

January, nineteen hundred and thirty-four, to the thirty-first day of March, nineteen hundred and thirty-five, from the respective sinking funds held by the Commissioners in respect of the first and second original loans, and the Council shall apply such interest in or towards paying the interest on the outstanding balance of the first original loan and the interest on the repayment loans.

(2) The Commissioners shall, on demand, pay to the Council, out of the said respective sinking funds, such portions of the said two several sums of one hundred thousand pounds which fell due on the first day of January, nineteen hundred and thirty-four, as were paid in New Zealand respectively.

10. Whereas the Gisborne Borough Council (hereinafter called the Council) is desirous of obtaining authority to remit rates amounting to thirty-six pounds three shillings and eightpence (hereinafter referred to as the said rates), being the rates for the current year ending on the thirty-first day of March, nineteen hundred and thirty-five, levied by the Council, and due and payable by the Gisborne and East Coast Young Men's Christian Association, Incorporated, in respect of that piece of land situated in the Borough of Gisborne, containing one rood thirty-six perches, being 1 of 1 of 130 of 6A Fitzherbert Street, situated in the Borough of Gisborne, and numbered 2351 on the district valuation roll for that borough: And whereas the Council has no legal authority to make such remission: Be it therefore enacted as follows:—

Authorizing remission of rates by Gisborne Borough Council.

The Council is hereby authorized to remit the said rates and to absolve the said association and the said lands from liability in respect thereof.

11. Whereas the building belonging to the trustees, Grand Lodge United Ancient Order of Druids, North Island of New Zealand (hereinafter called the trustees), situate on part of Section 487 in the City of Wellington, encroaches in two places on Lambton Quay as aligned at that part of such street for spaces varying in width from six one-hundredths of a link to ten one-hundredths of a link and also encroaches in six places on Woodward Street as aligned at that part of such street for spaces

Provision with respect to encroachment of Druids building on Lambton Quay and Woodward Street.

varying in width from ten one-hundredths of a link to twenty-two one-hundredths of a link, which encroachments have existed since the erection of the building in or about the year nineteen hundred and twenty-five: And whereas the trustees have applied to the Wellington City Council to license them to continue the said encroachments during the life of the present building: Be it therefore enacted as follows:—

The Wellington City Council is hereby empowered to grant to the trustees and their privies a license to occupy the parts of the said streets so occupied as aforesaid during such period as the said building at present existing shall remain.

Authorizing
Taihape Borough
Council to
expend certain
moneys held in
trust for
purchase of
land.

12. Whereas by section twenty of the Local Legislation Act, 1930, the Taihape Borough Council (hereinafter called the Council) was authorized to sell the land therein described, being land vested as a reserve in the Corporation of the Borough of Taihape (hereinafter called the Corporation) in trust for municipal purposes, the net proceeds of such sale to be applied to the purchase of other land which should then become vested in the Corporation in trust for municipal purposes, subject to the provisions of the Public Reserves, Domains, and National Parks Act, 1928: And whereas the Council sold such first-mentioned land for the sum of eight hundred and fifty pounds: And whereas the Council has purchased, out of the proceeds of such sale, for the sum of four hundred and seventy-five pounds, all that area of land (hereinafter referred to as the said land) situated in the Wellington Land District, containing by admeasurement one rood, more or less, being Section 1, Block VII, Town of Taihape, to be held by the Corporation in trust for municipal purposes, subject to the provisions of the Public Reserves, Domains, and National Parks Act, 1928: And whereas the Council is now desirous of having certain buildings erected upon the said land and desires to expend upon such buildings the unexpended balance of the said sum of eight hundred and fifty pounds: Be it therefore enacted as follows:—

The Council may expend in the erection of permanent buildings on the said land the unexpended balance of the said sum of eight hundred and fifty pounds, and such unexpended balance is for such purpose only hereby freed from the trust created by section twenty of the Local Legislation Act, 1930.

13. Subsection one of section seven of the Wellington City Reclamation and Empowering Act, 1906, as amended by section five of the Wellington City Empowering and Amendment Act, 1929, is hereby amended by omitting the word "twenty-nine", and substituting the word "thirty-six".

Extension of time for construction of Evans Bay reclamation.

14. Whereas Robert Lindsey, late of Brighouse, near Halifax, in the County of York, in England, duly made his last will and testament bearing date the twenty-eighth day of August, eighteen hundred and fifty-six, and duly made a codicil to such will bearing date the twenty-eighth day of July, eighteen hundred and fifty-seven, and by such codicil devised and bequeathed all that parcel of land, being Town Acre Number 667 on the plan of the City of Nelson, in New Zealand, with the buildings then used as a meeting-house by the Society of Friends, unto certain persons therein described so long as they should continue members of the Society of Friends, according to the regulations of the yearly meeting, and to their heirs and assigns respectively to hold the same upon trust for the same purposes for which the same were then held or used, and gave power to such trustees to appoint new trustees so qualified by membership and of conveying such property to new trustees: And whereas the before-mentioned meeting-house no longer exists on the said lands and the said Society of Friends has no organization or branch of the Society in the City of Nelson: And whereas by section forty-six of the Reserves and other Lands Disposal and Public Bodies Empowering Act, 1922, the trustees for the time being of the said lands, acting under the trusts of the said codicil, were empowered to sell the said acre, with the exception of a small portion thereof (hereinafter referred to as the said burial-ground) wherein certain former members of the said society are buried: And whereas, in pursuance of such powers, the trustees for the time being of the said lands have sold the whole of the said acre, with the exception of the said burial-ground: And whereas such trustees are now desirous of transferring the said burial-ground to the Corporation of the City of Nelson (hereinafter called the Corporation) upon trust to maintain the said burial-ground, and are also desirous of paying to the Nelson City Council (hereinafter called the Council) the sum of one hundred pounds

Authorizing transfer of cemetery and maintenance fund to Corporation of the City of Nelson.

as a fund for the future maintenance of the said burial-ground: And whereas the Council has expressed its willingness to accept a transfer of the said burial-ground and the payment of the said sum of one hundred pounds upon the terms aforesaid: Be it therefore enacted as follows:— 5

(1) The trustees for the time being of the said burial-ground are hereby authorized to transfer, and the Corporation is hereby authorized to accept, the said burial-ground, being Lot 6 on a plan deposited in the Land Transfer Office at Nelson under Number 1571, upon trust to maintain the same as a burial-ground vested in the Corporation. 10

(2) Upon such transfer as aforesaid the trustees shall pay to the Council the aforesaid sum of one hundred pounds upon trust as a fund to provide for the future maintenance of the said burial-ground. 15

Authorizing
Hawera Borough
Council to erect
hotel and other
business premises
on certain
corporation
land.

15. Whereas the Corporation of the Borough of Hawera is the proprietor of Allotments 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, and 8 on deposited plan Number 52, part Section 19, Town of Hawera, being all the land in certificate of title, Volume 132, folio 112 (Taranaki Registry), on which are situated the Commercial Hotel and other buildings: And whereas the Hawera Borough Council is desirous of erecting new buildings on the said land: Be it therefore enacted as follows:— 20 25

The Hawera Borough Council is hereby empowered and authorized—

- (a) To erect, construct, and maintain on the said land, or part thereof, a building or buildings to be used as an hotel; and also to erect, construct, and maintain on the said land or part thereof such shops, offices, or other suitable business premises as the Council shall think fit: 30
- (b) To utilize the said hotel, shops, offices, or business premises for such purposes as the Council shall think fit: 35
- (c) To let or lease in the manner prescribed by the Public Bodies' Leases Act, 1908, the said hotel, shops, offices, or business premises, or any of them: 40
- (d) To raise a special loan or loans under the Local Bodies' Loans Act, 1926, with the consent of the ratepayers first had and obtained, for such amount or amounts as the Council shall think

fit, and to expend the money so raised in the erection and construction of such building or buildings.

16. (1) For all purposes of sections one hundred and
 5 seventeen to one hundred and twenty-seven of the
 Municipal Corporations Act, 1933, the steamer ferry-
 service and the motor omnibus passenger-service
 undertakings of the Eastbourne Borough Council shall,
 on and from the first day of April, nineteen hundred and
 10 thirty-four, be deemed to be one trading undertaking.
- (2) The separate depreciation funds established by the
 Council for each of the said undertakings are hereby
 amalgamated as one fund and declared to be the
 15 Depreciation Fund for the one trading undertaking
 aforesaid, and all moneys forming part of or payable to the
 said separate funds at the passing of this Act are hereby
 declared to be moneys belonging to the Depreciation
 Fund of such one trading undertaking, and shall accord-
 20 ingly be transferred or paid, as the case may be, to such
 Fund. The Public Trustee is hereby discharged from
 office as the sole Commissioner of each of the said separate
 funds and declared to be the sole Commissioner of the
 Depreciation Fund of the one trading undertaking
 aforesaid, to hold office as such until duly removed
 25 therefrom by the Council.

Provision with respect to amalgamation of depreciation funds created by Eastbourne Borough Council in respect of transport undertakings.

Town Boards.

17. Whereas the Mount Maunganui Town District
 was duly constituted by Proclamation dated the twenty-
 fifth day of August, nineteen hundred and thirty, and
 30 published in the *Gazette* of the twenty-eighth day of the
 same month: And whereas prior to the constitution
 of the said Mount Maunganui Town District a Commission
 was duly set up to inquire into and report upon the
 petition praying for the constitution of the said town
 35 district, and the objections thereto: And whereas the
 said Commission made an order pursuant to the pro-
 visions of section eleven of the Commissions of Inquiry
 Act, 1908, charging the petitioners for the constitution
 of the said town district with the costs of the said
 40 Commission, amounting to twenty-four pounds fifteen

Authorizing Mount Maunganui Town Board to pay costs of Commission in connection with the constitution of Mount Maunganui Town District.

shillings and elevenpence: And whereas the said petitioners have been called upon to pay the said costs: And whereas the Mount Maunganui Town Board is desirous of paying the said costs on behalf of the said petitioners out of the general funds of the said Board: 5
Be it therefore enacted as follows:—

The Mount Maunganui Town Board is hereby empowered, notwithstanding anything to the contrary in any Act, to pay out of its general funds the said costs amounting to the sum of twenty-four pounds fifteen 10 shillings and elevenpence.

Harbour Boards.

Authorizing sale
of certain
land by Timaru
Harbour Board.

18. Whereas the Timaru Harbour Board (hereinafter called the Board) is possessed of an estate in fee-simple for harbour purposes in the land hereinafter described: 15
And whereas the Timaru Borough Council (hereinafter called the Council) desires to purchase the said land for the purposes of pleasure-grounds, gardens, or for any other purposes of enjoyment or recreation, and the Board desires to sell the said land to the Council, re- 20 serving, nevertheless, the right to use the tramway now constructed on the said land for so long as the Board shall desire: And whereas the Board has no power to sell the said land: Be it therefore enacted as follows:—

(1) Notwithstanding anything contained in any Act, 25 the Board is hereby empowered to sell and transfer the land hereinafter described to the Council on behalf of the Corporation of the Borough of Timaru free of encumbrances other than—

(a) The easements over part of the said land 30 created by memorandum of transfer registered Number 192703; and

(b) The right of the Board to use for harbour purposes the tramway now constructed on the said land so long as the Board shall desire. 35

(2) The land to which this section relates is particularly described as follows:—

All that piece of land situated in Block X of the Arowhenua Survey District, containing thirty-five acres two roods nineteen perches, more or less, being Lots 14, 17, 18, and part of Lot 13 on plan deposited in the Land 40 Registry Office at Christchurch as Number 8445, part

of Lot 2 on plan deposited in the said Registry Office as Number 9476, being parts of Rural Sections 4497, 6296, 6859, 8258, and 8259, and being the whole of the land comprised and described in certificates of title, Register-
 5 book Volume 431, folios 77, 78, and 79 (Canterbury Registry), subject to easements over parts of the above-described land created by memorandum of transfer registered Number 192703.

10 **19.** Whereas a loan of one hundred and twenty-eight thousand pounds, being an instalment of a loan known as the Number 2 Loan, 1919, of three hundred thousand pounds, raised in London by the New Plymouth Harbour Board (hereinafter called the Board) pursuant to the New Plymouth Harbour Board Empowering Act, 1918,
 15 matured on the first day of February, nineteen hundred and thirty-two, and was paid off at maturity partly by means of a loan of one hundred and twenty thousand pounds raised by the Board with the sanction of the Local Government Loans Board and partly by pay-
 20 ment of a sum of eight thousand pounds out of the sinking fund created for the repayment of the instalments of the said loan of three hundred thousand pounds: And whereas the Board has also paid out of the said sinking fund the costs of raising the said loan
 25 of one hundred and twenty thousand pounds and repaying the said instalment of one hundred and twenty-eight thousand pounds, but such expenditure was without lawful authority: Be it therefore enacted as follows:—
 The payment by the Board out of the said sinking
 30 fund of a sum of eight thousand pounds towards the said costs is hereby validated.

35 **20.** (1) Subsection five of section seventy of the Local Legislation Act, 1928, is hereby amended by inserting, after the words "Art Gallery", the words "or articles
 40 or exhibits for the Dominion Museum".

(2) The Dominion Museum and the Dominion Art Gallery for the purposes of the said section shall mean and include the Dominion Museum and the National Art Gallery directed to be established under the National
 40 Art Gallery and Dominion Museum Act, 1930.

(3) Subject to the aforesaid amendment and interpretation, and notwithstanding section eleven of the said National Art Gallery and Dominion Museum Act, 1930, or any other enactment, the said section seventy shall
 45 have and be deemed always to have had full force and effect according to the tenor thereof.

Validating
 payment of
 certain costs
 relating to
 renewal loans by
 New Plymouth
 Harbour Board
 out of sinking
 funds.

Section 70 of
 Local Legislation
 Act, 1928,
 amended.

Authorizing
payments of
remuneration by
Wellington
Harbour Board
to any Sinking
Fund
Commissioner.

21. Such annual remuneration and allowance, not exceeding two *one* hundred pounds, as the Wellington Harbour Board thinks reasonable may be paid out of the Harbour Fund to and retained by any Sinking Fund Commissioner appointed by the Board. No member of the Board *or officer or servant of the Board* shall be paid or receive any such remuneration or allowance. 5

Empowering
Lyttelton
Harbour Board
to sell certain
property at
Sumner to
Sumner Borough
Council.

22. Whereas the land hereinafter described is vested in the Lyttelton Harbour Board (hereinafter called the Board) as an endowment: And whereas the Sumner Borough Council (hereinafter called the Council) desires to purchase the said land and buildings thereon for borough purposes, and the Board desires to sell the said land and buildings to the Council: And whereas the Board has no power to sell the said land and buildings thereon: Be it therefore enacted as follows:— 10 15

(1) Notwithstanding anything contained in any Act, the Board may sell, convey, transfer, and assign the land hereinafter described and deliver possession thereof to the Council on behalf of the Corporation of the Borough of Sumner, subject to the existing tenancy of the buildings erected on the said land. 20

(2) The contract entered into between the Board and the present tenant of the said property providing for the repayment of the sum of eighty pounds and interest thereon by the said tenant to the Board for moneys advanced by the Board for sewerage works on the said property shall be transferred and assigned to the Council, and the Council shall be entitled to demand and recover payment of the said sum and interest from the said tenant as provided by the said contract. 25 30

(3) The land to which this section relates is particularly described as follows:—

All that area in the Canterbury Land District, situate at Sumner, containing one rood and twenty-eight perches, being Reserve 4344, and being the whole of the land comprised in certificate of title, Volume 439, folio 43. 35

Validating
proceedings in
connection with
certain loans
raised by Otago
Harbour Board.

23. Whereas by an Order in Council (hereinafter referred to as the First Order), made under the Local Government Loans Board Act, 1926 (hereinafter referred to as the said Act), on the tenth day of July, nineteen hundred and thirty-three, consent was given by the Governor-General to the raising by the Otago Harbour Board (hereinafter called the Board) of a loan up to 40 45

six hundred and eight thousand eight hundred pounds, to be known as the Redemption Loan, 1934, subject to the conditions stated in the First Order: And whereas by an Order in Council (hereinafter referred to as the Second Order), made under the said Act on the sixth day of December, nineteen hundred and thirty-three, consent was given by the Governor-General, subject to the conditions stated in the Second Order, to the raising by the Board of a loan up to the amount of seven hundred and twenty-eight thousand eight hundred pounds for the purpose of redeeming the outstanding liability in respect of three loans of four hundred and ninety-eight thousand eight hundred pounds, one hundred thousand pounds, and one hundred and thirty thousand pounds, maturing on the first day of January, nineteen hundred and thirty-four: And whereas by Order in Council made under the said Act on the tenth day of January, nineteen hundred and thirty-four (hereinafter referred to as the Third Order), certain of the determinations made in and by the First Order were varied: And whereas the Board, in purported pursuance of the powers conferred by the First, Second, and Third Orders, has raised in London as a first issue thereunder a loan of six hundred thousand pounds (hereinafter referred to as the First Issue) for the purposes set out in the First, Second, and Third Orders, and has applied the proceeds of such loan towards such purposes, and pending the raising of a further issue under the First, Second, and Third Orders has made arrangements with the Bank of New Zealand for advances sufficient to meet the repayment of debentures presented in London in excess of those repaid out of the proceeds of the First Issue, and for the expenses incurred in London in connection with the repayment of the matured loans and the raising of the new loans: And whereas the Board prior to the tenth day of July, nineteen hundred and thirty-three, undertook to apply the proceeds of all its then existing reserve funds towards the repayment of the debentures which matured on the first day of January, nineteen hundred and thirty-four, and towards the expenses incurred in connection therewith, including the cost of raising the new loans, and has applied the proceeds of such funds towards such purposes, including

the exchange on remittances to London in repayment of the advances made by the Bank of New Zealand and interest thereon: And whereas the sum of one hundred and twenty thousand pounds referred to in the Second Order, decreased as provided for in the Second Order, has not been transferred to the sinking fund of the Redemption Loan, 1934, as required by the Second Order, but the whole of such reserve funds has been applied as hereinbefore recited: And whereas by an Order in Council made under the said Act on the seventeenth day of September, nineteen hundred and thirty-four (hereinafter referred to as the Fourth Order), certain of the determinations made in and by the Second Order were varied and added to by authorizing the raising of a further loan of ten thousand pounds in addition to the loan of six hundred thousand pounds already raised, and such further loan has been raised and applied towards the repayment of advances made by the Bank of New Zealand in London as aforesaid: And whereas doubts have arisen as to the validity of certain of the above proceedings and matters, and it is expedient to validate all proceedings in connection with the raising of the said loans of six hundred thousand pounds and ten thousand pounds and the acts of the Board before recited: Be it therefore enacted as follows:—

(1) All the proceedings in connection with the said loans of six hundred thousand pounds and ten thousand pounds, and all the acts of the Board before recited, and all other matters and acts done in connection therewith are hereby validated.

(2) The debentures issued in respect of the said loan of six hundred thousand pounds shall be absolutely valid and binding on the Board according to their tenor.

(3) The debentures issued or to be issued in respect of the said loan of ten thousand pounds shall be absolutely valid and binding on the Board according to their tenor if issued in terms of the Fourth Order.

New.

23A. Whereas a majority in value of the debenture-holders of the loans of the Thames Harbour Board (hereinafter referred to as the said loans) have agreed to accept for the year ending the thirtieth day of September, nineteen hundred and thirty-five (hereinafter referred to as the said year), interest at the rate of four pounds five shillings per centum (hereinafter called the said rate): And whereas it is expedient to provide that

As to payment of interest, &c., on Thames Harbour Board loans for year ending 30th September, 1935.

New.

all debenture-holders of the said loan shall for the said year be paid interest at the same rate: Be it therefore enacted as follows:—

5 (1) The Thames Harbour Board shall, not later than the twentieth day of January, nineteen hundred and thirty-five, resolve to collect for the said year only so much of the special rates made and levied as security for the said loans and directed to be levied in accordance
10 with the terms of subsection three of section twenty-three of the Thames Harbour Board Loan and Empowering Act, 1920, as will suffice to provide for the payment of interest at the said rate to all debenture-holders of the said loans, and to provide sinking fund at the rate
15 of one per centum on the balance of the said loans outstanding on the first day of October, nineteen hundred and thirty-four.

(2) The rates payable pursuant to such resolution shall be demanded in two equal instalments. The first
20 such instalment shall be demanded forthwith after the passing of such resolution. The second such instalment shall be demanded not earlier than the tenth day of July, nineteen hundred and thirty-five.

(3) Notwithstanding anything contained in the Rating
25 Act, 1925, an additional charge of ten per centum may be added to so much of the rates demanded in respect of such first instalment as is not paid on or before the twentieth day of March, nineteen hundred and thirty-five, and to so much of the rates demanded in respect
30 of such second instalment as is not paid on or before the twentieth day of September, nineteen hundred and thirty-five; and every such charge shall be payable and recoverable accordingly.

(4) All moneys collected pursuant to such resolution
35 as aforesaid shall be applied in the first instance in payment of interest at the said rate to all debenture-holders, and the balance shall be paid to the Sinking Fund Commissioners of the said loans:

40 Provided that if the said balance exceeds an amount representing one per centum of the sum of the amounts of the said loans such excess shall be applied to the payment of interest due on the said loans in the following year.

(5) All payments of interest at the said rate to any
45 debenture-holder in respect of any debenture of the said loans shall be accepted by him in full satisfaction of interest due under such debenture for the said year.

Hospital Boards.

Removing doubts as to purposes of expenditure by Hawke's Bay Hospital Board of Kelly bequest.

24. Whereas the trustees under the will of Henrietta Lavinia Kelly, of Hastings, Spinster (deceased), dated the thirteenth day of May, nineteen hundred and twenty-nine (hereinafter referred to as the said trustees), were directed to hold her residuary estate on trust to pay the same to the duly constituted Board or authority for the time being having the care and control of the Fallen Soldiers Memorial Hospital at Hastings aforesaid (hereinafter referred to as the said Hospital), to be applied and expended by such Board or authority for or towards building, rebuilding, enlarging, altering, reinstating, repairing, and maintaining the said hospital or any additions thereto, or any buildings adjacent thereto and used in connection with the said hospital, and in providing equipment and furniture and in any other manner for the benefit of the said hospital and the said building as the said Board or authority may in its uncontrolled discretion deem proper: And whereas the Board referred to in the said will is the Hawke's Bay Hospital Board (hereinafter referred to as the said Board): And whereas doubts have arisen as to whether the said Board has power under the said will to utilize any part of the said estate in or towards payment of the general maintenance expenditure incurred by the said Board in the care and treatment of patients in the said hospital: And whereas it is desirable to remove such doubts: Be it therefore enacted as follows:—

The said trustees may, and shall be deemed at all relevant times heretofore to have been empowered to, pay to the said Board, and the said Board may and shall be deemed to have had authority to accept any part of the said estate and the income arising therefrom upon the conditions that the said Board may apply the same and any part thereof in or towards any purpose of or incidental to the general maintenance of the said hospital by the said Board, including payment of—

- (a) Fees, salaries, wages, and other lawful remuneration of any kind whatever:
- (b) The cost of provisions, drugs, and all other requisites for the care and treatment of patients:

(c) Such other expenses as may be incurred by the Board in the lawful execution of its powers, duties, or functions under any Act whatsoever in relation to the said hospital.

5 **25.** Whereas the Wairoa Hospital Board was duly constituted by section six of the Hospitals and Charitable Institutions Amendment Act, 1910: And whereas the Wairoa County Corporation was at the time of the constitution of the Wairoa Hospital Board the registered
10 proprietor of an estate in fee-simple in all that piece of land situate in the Provincial District of Hawke's Bay containing four acres and one perch, being portion of Suburban Sections Numbers 30 and 31, Class II, Township of Clyde, and being the land shown on plan
15 deposited in the Land Transfer Office at Napier as Number 1475, and being the land in certificate of title, Hawke's Bay, Volume 32, folio 52, as a site for a public hospital at Wairoa: And whereas it is deemed necessary and expedient that the said land be vested in the Wairoa
20 Hospital Board: Be it therefore enacted as follows:—

The vesting of the said land in the Corporation of the County of Wairoa is hereby cancelled, and the said land is hereby vested in the Wairoa Hospital Board as a site for a public hospital in accordance with the
25 provisions of the Hospitals and Charitable Institutions Act, 1926, and the District Land Registrar at Napier is hereby empowered without further authority than this section to register a memorial on the said certificate of title to give effect to this enactment.

30 *Electric-power Boards.*

26. Whereas the Waimea Electric-power Board (hereinafter called the Board) was, by a poll of the ratepayers of the special district of the Borough of Motueka and the surrounding districts of Riwaka, Lower Moutere, Mariri,
35 and Tasman (hereinafter called the special district), taken on the twenty-first day of June, nineteen hundred and thirty-three, authorized to raise a special loan under the Local Bodies' Loans Act, 1926, of fifty-five thousand pounds to be expended for the special district: And
40 whereas the sum of fifty thousand pounds, being part of the said special loan, has been raised: And whereas interest upon such sum of fifty thousand pounds at the rate of

Vesting hospital-site in Wairoa Hospital Board.

Authorizing Waimea Electric-power Board to borrow a sum of £2,400 by way of overdraft.

four pounds five shillings per centum per annum will fall due on the first day of August, nineteen hundred and thirty-four, and on the first day of February, nineteen hundred and thirty-five: And whereas, in order to meet unforeseen expenditure in necessary construction and maintenance works in other parts of the Board's district, the Board has borrowed moneys by way of overdraft up to the limits allowed by section three of the Local Bodies' Finance Act, 1921-22, as extended by section seventy of the Electric-power Boards Act, 1925, and is unable to meet the sum of two thousand one hundred and twenty-five pounds, being the amount of interest on the said sum of fifty thousand pounds to become due during the financial year ending on the thirty-first day of March, nineteen hundred and thirty-five: And whereas it is desirable to provide for the borrowing of the said sum of two thousand one hundred and twenty-five pounds and of the further sum of two hundred and seventy-five pounds for the general purposes of the Board, making in all the sum of two thousand four hundred pounds by way of overdraft in excess of the limits prescribed as aforesaid: Be it therefore enacted as follows:—

Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in the Local Bodies' Finance Act, 1921-22, the Electric-power Boards Act, 1925, or any other Act, it shall be lawful for the Board, during the period of seven complete financial years after the financial year in which the Board commenced the supply of electrical energy, to borrow by way of overdraft in excess of the limits prescribed as aforesaid such amount as may be approved by the Local Government Loans Board, but so that the total amount borrowed pursuant to this section in any financial year shall not exceed two thousand four hundred pounds.

Authorizing
Wairoa
Electric-power
Board to
capitalize certain
arrears of
interest.

27. Whereas the Wairoa Electric-power Board (hereinafter called the Board), under the provisions of the Local Bodies' Loans Act, 1926, and the Electric-power Boards Act, 1925, and for the purpose of the erection of electric transmission-lines and other electrical works borrowed certain sums, including the sum of twenty thousand pounds from the Public Trustee, the sum of twenty-one thousand five hundred pounds from the Dunedin City Sinking Fund Commissioners, and the sum of twenty thousand pounds from the Government Insurance Commissioner, and issued debentures providing

for the payment of the said sums and interest thereon :
 And whereas the Board intends pursuant to the Local
 Authorities Interest Reduction and Loans Conversion
 Act, 1932-33, to issue new securities in conversion of the
 5 existing securities in respect of the said sums as borrowed :
 And whereas it is intended that the said conversion
 shall take effect as from the thirty-first day of March,
 nineteen hundred and thirty-five : And whereas the
 Board has agreed with each of the aforesaid lenders
 10 that interest due and to accrue due to each of them
 up to the proposed date of conversion, amounting in the
 case of the Public Trustee to the sum of one thousand
 four hundred and forty pounds, in the case of the
 Dunedin City Sinking Fund Commissioners to the sum
 15 of one thousand four hundred and eighty-three pounds
 ten shillings, and in the case of the Government Insur-
 ance Commissioner to the sum of one thousand six
 hundred and sixty-one pounds five shillings and tenpence,
 shall be added to and form part of the principal sum
 20 to be secured by the new debentures : Be it therefore
 enacted as follows :—

The Board is hereby authorized and empowered on
 the said conversion to add the said sums of one thousand
 four hundred and forty pounds, one thousand four
 25 hundred and eighty-three pounds ten shillings, and one
 thousand six hundred and sixty-one pounds five shillings
 and tenpence respectively, to so much of the said
 respective principal sums of twenty thousand pounds,
 twenty-one thousand five hundred pounds, and twenty
 30 thousand pounds as shall be included in the said
 conversion, and to issue new securities accordingly.

28. Whereas the Marlborough Electric-power Board
 (hereinafter called the Board) made and levied certain
 rates for the years ended on the thirty-first day of March,
 35 nineteen hundred and thirty, and the thirty-first day of
 March, nineteen hundred and thirty-one : And whereas a
 large percentage of the said rates have been paid by
 divers ratepayers : And whereas the Board has obtained
 judgments against certain ratepayers for such of the
 40 said rates as are unpaid and outstanding : And whereas
 doubts have arisen as to the validity of such judgments
 in that the demand for such rates when due was made
 by the Secretary of the Board without being specially
 appointed to make such demand pursuant to section

Validating
 certain
 judgments for
 rates obtained
 by Marlborough
 Electric-power
 Board.

sixty-one of the Rating Act, 1925: And whereas it is advisable in the public interest and to prevent injustice to validate the said judgments: Be it therefore enacted as follows:—

No judgment obtained by the Board and duly recorded in the Record-book in the Magistrate's Court office at Blenheim in respect of rates made and levied by the Board for the years ended on the thirty-first day of March, nineteen hundred and thirty, and the thirty-first day of March, nineteen hundred and thirty-one, respectively, shall be questioned in any Court on any ground whatever.

River and Drainage Boards.

Authorizing
Taupiri Drainage
and River
Board to raise
loan of £10,000
for contribution
towards certain
drainage works.

29. Whereas in pursuance and exercise of the powers vested in him by section twenty-eight of the Finance Act, 1931 (No. 4), the Minister of Public Works (hereinafter called the Minister), for the purpose of providing works in relief of unemployment, has undertaken certain drainage works in the watershed of the Mangawara River and its tributaries, which area is within the district of the Taupiri Drainage and River Board (hereinafter called the Board): And whereas the Board has agreed with the Minister to contribute the sum of ten thousand pounds towards the cost of such drainage works: And whereas prior to the expiry of the Local Authorities Empowering (Relief of Unemployment) Act, 1926, the Local Government Loans Board sanctioned the raising of a loan of ten thousand pounds by the Board under that Act for the purpose of enabling the Board to pay the said sum in terms of the said agreement, but the Board did not then raise the said loan: And whereas it is desirable that the Board should now be empowered to borrow the said sum of ten thousand pounds without taking the steps described in sections nine to thirteen of the Local Bodies' Loans Act, 1926: Be it therefore enacted as follows:—

The Board is hereby empowered to borrow the sum of ten thousand pounds agreed to be paid by the Board to the Minister as a contribution towards the cost of the drainage works undertaken by the Minister in the watershed of the said Mangawara River and its tributaries without taking the steps described in sections nine to thirteen of the Local Bodies' Loans Act, 1926. and to pay the moneys so borrowed to the Minister.

Affecting Two or More Classes of Public Bodies.

30. The local authorities mentioned hereunder are hereby authorized and empowered to pay to the New Zealand Free Ambulance Transport Service (Wellington Branch), Incorporated, in the year ending on the thirty-first day of March, nineteen hundred and thirty-five, such sums as they think fit, not exceeding in any case the respective amounts hereinafter specified, namely:—
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- 10 The Hutt County Council, one hundred and fifty pounds ;
 The Makara County Council, eighty-six pounds ;
 The Wellington Harbour Board, three hundred pounds ; and
 The Wellington Hospital Board, nine hundred
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31. Whereas by an agreement bearing date the twentieth day of August, nineteen hundred and thirty-four, made between the Corporation of the Borough of Hastings (hereinafter called the Corporation) of the one part and the Hawke's Bay Electric-power Board (hereinafter called the Board) of the other part, a copy of which agreement is recorded in the Department of Internal Affairs at Wellington as I.A. 1934/120/9, the Corporation agreed to sell to the Board and the Board agreed to purchase the electric works of the Corporation at the purchase price therein set out : And whereas it is provided, *inter alia*, in the said agreement—(a) That the said purchase price and interest as hereinafter provided shall be paid as follows—That the amount of the purchase
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- price in excess of one hundred and twenty-five thousand pounds shall be paid in cash, and the said sum of one hundred and twenty-five thousand pounds together with interest thereon or on the amount thereof for the time being unpaid at the rate of four per centum per annum calculated from the date of possession, shall be paid by fifty-two equal half-yearly instalments over a period of twenty-six years ; (b) that the Board will give to the Corporation as security for payment of the said purchase-money and interest by the instalments aforesaid a mortgage over the revenues to be derived from the Board's undertaking and operations within the Borough of Hastings as constituted at the date of the said agreement : And

Authorizing certain local authorities to contribute to Wellington Branch of the New Zealand Free Ambulance Transport Service.

Validating certain terms of agreement between Hastings Borough Corporation and Hawke's Bay Electric-power Board.

whereas it is desirable that the said terms of payment of the said purchase price and interest and the said provisions for security for the payment of the same should be validated: Be it therefore enacted as follows:—

(1) The Corporation and the Board shall be deemed to have been duly empowered to agree in and by the said agreement to the said terms of payment of the said purchase price and interest which shall have effect and be binding according to the tenor thereof. 5

(2) The Board shall be deemed to have been and to be duly empowered to give security to the Corporation for securing payment of the said sum of one hundred and twenty-five thousand pounds, part of the said purchase price, and interest in manner aforesaid as provided in the said agreement. 10 15

(3) Nothing herein contained shall be deemed to affect the provisions of section seventy-six of the Electric-power Boards Act, 1925.

Revesting in the Masterton Trust Lands Trustees certain pieces of land vested in Masterton Borough Corporation.

32. Whereas by section twenty-eight of the Masterton Trust Lands Act, 1889, and the Second Schedule to that Act, the several pieces of land hereinafter described, being then the property of the Masterton Trust Lands Trustees (hereinafter called the Trustees), were vested for street purposes in the Corporation of the Borough of Masterton: And whereas the streets concerned, without the inclusion therein of the said several pieces of land or any of them, are respectively of the full width of one chain, and the said several pieces of land are not required, and have never been used, for street purposes, but have remained in the possession and occupation of the Trustees notwithstanding such vesting, and the inclusion of the said several pieces of land in the said streets throws the boundaries of the said streets out of alignment: And whereas the Masterton Borough Council and the Trustees accordingly desire that the said several pieces of land be revested in the Trustees, but there is no authority at law for effecting such revesting: And whereas it is expedient that such revesting should be effected: Be it therefore enacted as follows:— 20 25 30 35

(1) The several pieces of land hereinafter described shall, on the passing of this Act, revest without transfer or conveyance in the Trustees, upon the trusts declared in the Masterton Trusts Lands Act, 1889, and as though 40

the same had never been vested in the Corporation of the Borough of Masterton by section twenty-eight of the Masterton Trust Lands Act, 1889.

(2) The lands to which this section relates are particularly described as follows:—

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- (a) A strip of land measuring seven hundred and eighty-five and four-tenths links by twenty-five links, containing thirty-one and forty-one hundredths perches, being parts of Town Acres 42, 44, 46, and 48 of the Town of Masterton, and lying along the Chapel Street frontage of the said Town Acre :
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- (b) A strip of land measuring two hundred links by twenty-five links, containing eight perches, being part of Town Acre 43 of the Town of Masterton, and lying along the Dixon Street frontage of the said Town Acre :
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- (c) A strip of land measuring one hundred and seventy-seven links by twenty-five links, containing seven and eight-hundredths perches, being part of Town Acre 47 of the Town of Masterton, and lying along the Dixon Street frontage of the said Town Acre :
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- (d) A strip of land measuring seven hundred and twenty - seven and seven - tenths links by twenty-five links, containing twenty-nine and eleven-hundredths perches, being parts of Town Acres 49, 51, 53, and 55 of the Town of Masterton, and lying along the Dixon Street frontage of the said Town Acres :
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- (e) A strip of land measuring two hundred links by twenty - five links, containing eight perches, being part of Town Acre 111 of the Town of Masterton, and lying along the Albert Street frontage of the said Town Acre :
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- (f) A strip of land measuring one hundred links by twenty - five links, containing four perches, being part of Town Acre 119 of the Town of Masterton, and lying along the Albert Street frontage of the said Town Acre :
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- all situate in the Borough of Masterton.

Authorizing dedication by the Masterton Trust Lands Trustees of certain land for street purposes in the Borough of Masterton.

33. Whereas the Masterton Trust Lands Trustees (hereinafter called the Trustees) are the owners, pursuant to the Masterton Trust Lands Act, 1889, of the land included in certificate of title, Volume 44, folio 166 (Wellington Registry): And whereas for the betterment 5 of the Borough of Masterton, and to facilitate the subdivision of the said land for building purposes, the Trustees and the Masterton Borough Council desire the dedication for street purposes of the strip of land hereinafter described, being part of the land aforesaid, as and 10 for a continuation of an existing street called Macara Street, so that such street may cease to be a cul-de-sac: And whereas there is no authority at law for such dedication, and it is expedient that such dedication should be authorized: Be it therefore enacted as 15 follows:—

(1) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in the Masterton Trust Lands Act, 1889, or elsewhere contained, the Trustees shall have authority to dedicate as a public street, and for that purpose to transfer without 20 consideration to the Corporation of the Borough of Masterton, the piece of land hereinafter described.

(2) The land to which the *last preceding* subsection relates is particularly described as follows:—

All that piece of land, containing two roods and thirty 25 and ninety-two hundredths perches, more or less, being the lot numbered 11 on the plan deposited in the District Land Registry Office at Wellington as plan Number 10641, and being part of Section Number 6 of the Masterton Small Farm Settlement, and being part of 30 the land included in certificate of title, Volume 44, folio 166 (Wellington Registry).

Validating expenditure incurred by Hastings Borough Council and Bluff and Lyttelton Harbour Boards in connection with relief of distress.

34. The expenditure incurred by the undermentioned public bodies during the financial year ending on the thirty-first day of March, nineteen hundred and thirty- 35 five, of the following amounts in contributing to funds established for the relief of distress is hereby validated and declared to have been lawfully incurred: Hastings Borough Council, five hundred pounds; Bluff Harbour Board, one hundred pounds; Lyttelton Harbour Board, 40 one thousand pounds.

Miscellaneous.

Validating issue of certain debentures by Motunau Rabbit Board.

35. Whereas the Motunau Rabbit Board (hereinafter called the Board), in purported exercise of the power to compromise with creditors given to local authorities 45 by section fifty-eight of the Local Bodies' Loans Act, 1926, on or about the seventh day of December, nineteen

hundred and thirty-two, issued and delivered to Pyne, Gould, Guinness Provident and Superannuation Association (Limited), (hereinafter called the creditor), three several debentures for one hundred pounds each
5 numbered 31, 32, and 33, repayable as to Numbers 31 and 32 on the twenty-eighth day of March, nineteen hundred and forty-four, and as to Number 33 on the twenty-eighth day of March, nineteen hundred and forty-five, in substitution for three several debentures
10 for one hundred pounds each which were then surrendered by the creditor to the Board, which three several debentures were respectively repayable on the twenty-eighth day of March, nineteen hundred and thirty-three, the twenty-eighth day of March, nineteen hundred and
15 thirty-eight, and the twenty-eighth day of March, nineteen hundred and forty-three: And whereas, although such compromise and exchange of debentures was made in good faith, it was without authority of law and it is desirable to validate it: Be it therefore enacted as follows:—

20 The action of the Board in issuing to the creditor three several debentures, numbered 31, 32, and 33, for one hundred pounds, each repayable respectively as to Numbers 31 and 32 on the twenty-eighth day of March, nineteen hundred and forty-four, and as to Number 33
25 on the twenty-eighth day of March, nineteen hundred and forty-five, is hereby validated, and such three several debentures declared to have been lawfully issued.

30 **36.** Whereas, by Order in Council dated the twenty-fourth day of May, nineteen hundred and twenty-two, and published in the *Gazette* of the first day of June of the same year, the Governor-General constituted the Blackstone Hill Rabbit District under Part III of the Rabbit Nuisance Act, 1908: And whereas the said district enures for the purposes of Part II of the Rabbit
35 Nuisance Act, 1928, and it is deemed to have been constituted thereunder: And whereas a Board of Trustees for the said district has never been established according to law, and it is deemed desirable to abolish the said district: Be it therefore enacted as follows:—

40 The Blackstone Hill Rabbit District is hereby abolished.

45 **37.** Whereas by reason of damage caused by earthquake it is necessary for the Masterton Trust Lands Trustees (hereinafter referred to as the Trustees), a body corporate incorporated by the Masterton Trust Lands

Abolishing the
Blackstone Hill
Rabbit District.

Authorizing
Masterton Trust
Lands Trustees
to borrow a sum
not exceeding
£3,000 for the
purpose of
repairing
earthquake
damage.

Act, 1889, during the financial year ending on the thirty-first day of March, nineteen hundred and thirty-five, to provide moneys to an exceptional amount beyond the expenditure estimated by the Trustees for that year : And whereas the Trustees are not a "local authority" as defined in the Local Bodies' Finance Act, 1921-22 : And whereas it is expedient that the Trustees be authorized to borrow moneys in the manner provided by the said Local Bodies' Finance Act : Be it therefore enacted as follows :—

(1) The Trustees may, for the purpose of providing funds for the purpose of effecting to buildings, the property of the Trustees, repairs necessitated by the earthquake of the fifth day of March, nineteen hundred and thirty-four, borrow from their bankers or any other person or persons moneys not exceeding in the aggregate the sum of three thousand pounds.

(2) The authority to borrow hereby conferred shall be read and construed as an authority to borrow conferred by section seven of the Local Bodies' Finance Act, 1921-22, and all the provisions of that section shall apply to the borrowing hereby authorized, and be deemed to be incorporated in this section.

(3) For the purposes of the *last preceding* subsection the Masterton Trust Lands Trustees shall be deemed to be a local authority within the meaning of the Local Bodies' Finance Act, 1921-22.

(4) This section shall for all purposes be deemed to have come into force on the *fifth* day of March, nineteen hundred and *thirty-four*, and any authority or consent given under this section after the passing of this Act shall, if so specified in the instrument containing the same, take effect on a day not earlier than that day.

Authorizing
Cornwall Park
Trustees to
grant an
extended lease
of portion
of Cornwall
Park to the
Auckland
Metropolitan
Agricultural
and Pastoral
Association,
Incorporated.

38. Whereas the land hereinafter described is portion of an area vested in James Hall, Settler, James Henry Gunson, Knight, Albert Ernest Bollard, Company Secretary, and Edward Robert Nolan Russell, Solicitor, all of Auckland in New Zealand (hereinafter called the Trustees), upon the trusts declared by a certain declaration of trust bearing date the tenth day of June, nineteen hundred and one, and made between John Logan Campbell, of the one part, and David Limond Murdock, Arthur Mielziener Myers, Robert Hall, and Alfred Seymour Bankart, of the other part, and known as the

Cornwall Park trust deed and a certain deed of trust bearing date the seventh day of April, nineteen hundred and eight, and made between the same parties as aforesaid: And whereas the Auckland Metropolitan Agricultural and Pastoral Association, Incorporated (hereinafter called the association) has requested the Trustees to grant to it a lease of the said land for a term of forty years at an annual rental of one hundred pounds: And whereas the Trustees, having in mind the keen interest displayed by the late Sir John Logan Campbell in the work of the association's kindred predecessors, and the fact that during his lifetime he gave ample evidence of his desire to assist such predecessors of the association, and also having in mind that the said land has been in the occupation of the association and its kindred predecessors for approximately eighty years, are desirous of leasing the said land to the association for the term and at the rental hereinbefore mentioned and upon such further terms and conditions as may be agreed upon between the Trustees and the association: And whereas it is desirable that the Trustees should be empowered to lease the said land for such period and upon such terms and conditions: Be it therefore enacted as follows:—

(1) The Trustees are hereby authorized to grant a lease to the association of the land hereinafter described for a period of forty years at an annual rental of one hundred pounds, and upon such further terms and conditions as may be agreed upon between the Trustees and the association.

(2) The land to which this section relates is particularly described as follows:—

All that piece of land, containing eight acres and three perches, more or less, being part of Allotments 19 and 21 of Section 11 of the Suburbs of Auckland, and being part of the land comprised and described in certificate of title, Volume 153, folio 248, of the register-book in the Land Registry Office at Auckland.