

Hon. Mr. Coates.

MASSEY BURIAL-GROUND.

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A BILL INTITULED

AN ACT to make Provision for the Dedication of certain Land to be the Burial-ground of the late Right Honourable William Ferguson Massey, and of his Widow. Title.

5 WHEREAS the Governor-General, purporting to act under authority conferred on him by the Cemeteries Act, 1908, and its amendments, did by Warrant under his hand dated the eleventh day of May, nineteen hundred and twenty-five, declare certain land at Point Halswell in the Wellington Land District to be a private burial-ground, to be called and known by the name of "The Private Burial-ground of the Right Honourable William Ferguson Massey, and of his Widow": And whereas it is fitting that the said land together with other adjoining land should remain vested in His Majesty and be specially reserved for the purposes defined in this Act: Preamble.

15 BE IT THEREFORE 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 Massey Burial-ground Act, 1925. Short Title.
- 2. The hereinbefore-recited Warrant of the eleventh day of May, nineteen hundred and twenty-five, shall be and be deemed at all times heretofore since the date thereof to have been valid, and of full force and effect according to its tenor, but shall on the passing of this Act be deemed to be cancelled. Validation of Warrant constituting the Massey Private Burial-ground.
- 3. The land described in the Schedule hereto, being portion of the Military Reserve, Point Halswell, shall be and remain vested in His Majesty as a special reserve appropriated as a burial-ground for the said William Ferguson Massey and his Widow, and as a site for a memorial to him. Reserving land at Point Halswell as site for burial-ground and memorial.
- 4. The widow of the said William Ferguson Massey may hereafter be buried within the said special reserve, but no other person shall hereafter be buried therein. Limitation of persons who may hereafter be buried in the reserve.

Special Board constituted and charged with the control of the reserve.

5. (1.) The custody, care, and control of the said special reserve shall be vested in a Board constituted of the Speakers of both Houses of Parliament for the time being, the Prime Minister for the time being, the Chief Justice of New Zealand for the time being, and a fifth person to be appointed from time to time by the Governor-General. Such fifth person shall be a member of the family of, or a descendant of, the said William Ferguson Massey, so long as there shall be existent a person of that class willing, and in the opinion of the Governor-General fitted, so to act. 5.

(2.) Three members of the Board shall form a quorum. The powers of the Board shall not be affected by any vacancy in the membership thereof. 10.

Power of Board to expend moneys in improvement of reserve and in erection of memorial.

6. The Board may in its discretion expend moneys provided by public subscription, or appropriated by Parliament, or otherwise coming to their hands, in enclosing, fencing, planting, and improving the said special reserve, and in providing a tomb and erecting a memorial thereon to commemorate the public service of the said William Ferguson Massey, and otherwise in providing for the care, custody, and management of the said special reserve. 15.

Regulations.

7. The Governor-General in Council may from time to time make regulations for the admission or exclusion of the public to or from the said special reserve or any specific part or parts thereof, and generally for enabling effect to be given to the purposes of this Act. 20.

Schedule.

SCHEDULE.

ALL that area in the Wellington Land District containing by admeasurement 2 acres 1 rood 4 perches, more or less, being part of Military Reserve, Point Halswell, bounded on the north, south, east, and west by the other part of said Military Reserve, as the same is more particularly delineated on plan numbered 2114A, deposited in the office of the Surveyor-General, and thereon bordered red.