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MUNICIPAL CORPORATIONS ACT 1876 AMENDMENT.

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Title. 3. Council may contract for water-supply. Preamble. 4. Notification of term of contract and date of 1. Short Title. poll. 5. Regulations for taking votes of burgesses. 2. Section 266 of said Act repealed.

A BILL INTITULED

AN Act to amend "The Municipal Corporations Act, 1876." Title. WHEREAS it is expedient to amend "The Municipal Corporations Act, 1876" Preamble. (hereinafter called "the said Act") :

 $\mathbf{5}$ BE IT THEREFORE 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 is "The Municipal Corporations Act 1876 Short Title. Amendment Act, 1882."

2. Section two hundred and sixty-six of the said Act is hereby repealed.

3. The Council may contract, for any period not exceeding twenty-one years Council may contract. 10 at one time, with the owners of any waterworks, or any other person or com- for water-supply. pany, for such supply of water as the Council may think necessary for the purposes of the said Act: Provided that no contract shall be made for a longer period than three years, unless the burgesses shall previously approve of the 15 period for which it is proposed that such contract shall be made.

4. In order to carry out the provision contained in the last section, the Notification of term Council shall publish in the borough, once in each week, for two successive of contract and date of poll. weeks, a notice setting forth the period for which it is proposed to make the contract, and appointing the day, not less than fifteen nor more than twenty-one

20 days from the publication of said notice, on which a poll of the burgesses will be taken thereupon.

5. Such poll shall be taken in accordance with the sections of the said Act Regulations for providing for the taking of polls so far as the same are applicable to the purposes taking votes of burof this Act.

By Authority : GRORGE DIDSBURY, Government Printer, Wellington .-- 1882.

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Section 266 of said

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