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Hon. Mr. Dick.

MINING COMPANIES REGISTRATION VALIDATION.

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A BILL INTITULED

AN ACT to remove Doubts as to the Registration and Incorporation of certain Mining Companies under "The Mining Companies Act, 1872." Title.

WHEREAS by the sixth section of "The Mining Companies Act, 1872" (hereinafter referred to as "the said Act"), it is, amongst other things, enacted that in order to obtain the registration of any company formed for mining purposes under the said Act there must be lodged in the office of the Registrar of the Supreme Court for the judicial district within which it is proposed to carry on operations a memorandum signed by some person as the manager of such company, which shall contain the several matters and may be in the form contained in the Second Schedule to the said Act: Preamble.

And whereas certain mining companies carrying on operations within the Counties of Grey and Inangahua respectively lodged memoranda as aforesaid in the office of the Registrar of the Supreme Court for the Judicial District of Nelson, in seeming conformity with the above-mentioned sixth section, and thereupon during the period included between the eighteenth day of April, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-eight, and the twenty-second day of May, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-two, the aforesaid companies were registered in the said Registrar's office, and certificates of incorporation of the aforesaid companies have been issued by the Registrar aforesaid:

And whereas before the period last mentioned, that is to say, on the first day of April, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-eight, an Order in Council was issued altering the boundaries of the Judicial Districts of Nelson and Westland respectively, whereby the Counties of Grey and Inangahua aforesaid became included within the Judicial District of Westland, and the registration of the mining companies aforesaid should have been effected at Hokitika and not at Nelson:

And whereas the registration effected as aforesaid at Nelson was so done in error, but in good faith, and it is expedient to validate the same:

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 Mining Companies Registration Validation Act, 1882." Short Title.

Validation of the registration of certain companies in Counties of Grey and Inangahua.

2. Notwithstanding anything in the said Act contained, every mining company carrying on operations within the Counties of Grey and Inangahua respectively, in respect of which a memorandum has been duly lodged in the office of the Registrar of the Supreme Court for the Judicial District of Nelson, and which has thereupon been registered in such office, and to which respectively certificates of incorporation have been issued by the aforesaid Registrar at any time between the eighteenth day of April, in the year one thousand eight hundred and seventy-eight, and the twenty-second day of May, in the year one thousand eight hundred and eighty-two, both last-named days inclusive, shall, in so far as the validity of the registration or incorporation of any such company may depend on compliance with the hereinbefore-recited provision of the said Act, be deemed to have been duly registered and incorporated under the said Act, notwithstanding that the said companies respectively were not carrying on operations within the limits of the judicial district wherein their registration and incorporation were respectively effected.

By Authority: GEORGE DIDSBUZY, Government Printer, Wellington.—1882.