This Public Bill originated in the House of Repre-SENTATIVES, and, having this day passed as now printed, is transmitted to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

House of Representatives,

13th December, 1944

Hon. Mr. Mason

NGAITAHU CLAIM SETTLEMENT

ANALYSIS

Title. Preamble. 1. Short Title.

2. Payment of £300,000 in settlement of Ngaitahu claim.

A BILL INTITULED

An Act to effect a Final Settlement of the Ngaitahu Title. Claim.

WHEREAS the members of the Ngaitahu Tribe and their Preamble. 5 descendants have from time to time made certain claims in respect of the purchase of the Ngaitahu Block by Mr. Kemp on behalf of the Crown in the year eighteen hundred and forty-eight: And whereas the persons now interested in the claims have agreed to accept the pay-10 ment of the sum of three hundred thousand pounds in the manner hereinafter appearing in settlement of the aforesaid claims:

BE IT THEREFORE ENACTED by the General Assembly of New Zealand in Parliament assembled, and by the 15 authority of the same, as follows:—

- 1. This Act may be cited as the Ngaitahu Claim Short Title. Settlement Act, 1944.
- 2. In settlement of all claims and demands which Payment of have heretofore been made on His Majesty's Govern- \$\frac{2300,000 \text{ in settlement of}}{\text{settlement of}} 20 ment in New Zealand and for the purpose of releasing Ngaitahu and discharging His Majesty's said Government from claim. any claims or demands which might hereafter be made

on it in respect of, or arising out of, the purchase of certain lands in the South Island belonging to the Ngaitahu Tribe (the purchase aforesaid being that referred to under the heading of "South Island Claims -Kemp's Purchase" in the report of a Native Land 5 Claims Commission contained in paper G.-5 of the Appendices to the Journals of the House of Representatives for Session I of the year nineteen hundred and twenty-one), there shall be paid to the Ngaitahu Trust Board, being the Board referred to in section 10 sixty-five of the Native Purposes Act, 1931, without further appropriation than this Act, in each year for a period of thirty years and no longer, the annual sum of ten thousand pounds, payable on the first day of April in each year, commencing with the first pay- 15 ment on the passing of this Act as for the first day of April in the year nineteen hundred and forty-four.

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