

[AS REPORTED FROM WASTE LANDS COMMITTEE.]

Mr. Stout.

Otago Museum.

ANALYSIS.

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A BILL INTITULED

AN ACT to provide for the Maintenance and Management of the Otago Museum, and for the Endowment of the Dunedin Athenæum.

WHEREAS the Superintendent and Provincial Council of the Province of Otago constructed and maintained a Museum at Dunedin, in the Province of Otago: And whereas there is in Dunedin an Athenæum and Mechanics' Institute, incorporated by an Ordinance of the Superintendent and Provincial Council of Otago, No. 329, intituled "The Dunedin Athenæum and Mechanics' Institute Ordinance, 1870:" And whereas it is desirable to provide for the maintenance of the said Museum at Dunedin: And whereas it is desirable to vest a portion of the reserve on which the present Museum is erected, and the said Museum and all the property connected therewith, in the Otago University, incorporated by an Ordinance of the Superintendent and Provincial Council of Otago, intituled "The University of Otago Ordinance, 1869," to be maintained and managed by the said Otago University: And whereas it is desirable to provide an endowment for the said Dunedin Athenæum and Mechanics' Institute:

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 shall be "The Otago Museum Act, 1877."

2. The land described in the First Schedule to this Act, and all the buildings thereon, and all the exhibits in and other property connected with the Otago Museum, shall be and the same are hereby absolutely vested in and transferred to the Otago University, incorporated by the said "University of Otago Ordinance, 1869," and shall be held by the said Otago University in trust for a Museum.

Pastoral lands vested
in University.

3. The pastoral lands described in the Second Schedule to this Act shall be and the same are hereby vested in and transferred to the said Otago University in trust as hereinafter mentioned.

Lands how dealt
with.

4. The said Otago University may, *on the expiration of the existing leases, from time to time* lease the said lands described in the Second Schedule hereto, *by public auction*, in one or more blocks, for any term of years not exceeding twenty-one years, at such rent and on such terms and conditions as to the said University shall seem meet; but the leases shall contain an express provision that on twelve months' notice being given the lands may be declared open for sale as hereinafter mentioned.

Rents and profits
how applied.

5. The said University shall stand possessed of the rents, issues, and profits of the said lands in trust, to apply the said rents, issues, and profits, until the same shall amount to seven hundred pounds per annum, to and for the maintenance of the said Museum in Dunedin; and whenever the said rents, issues, and profits shall amount to the sum of seven hundred pounds and upwards, then the said University shall apply nine-tenths of the whole rents, issues, and profits in and towards the maintenance of the said Museum, and the remaining one-tenth thereof shall be paid by them to the Dunedin Athenæum and Mechanics' Institute, incorporated by the said "Dunedin Athenæum and Mechanics' Institute Ordinance, 1870."

Governor may declare
that lands may be
dealt with under
Waste Lands Acts.

6. The Governor may, on twelve months' notice being given to any lessee of the lands, by Proclamation, declare the lands described in the Second Schedule open for sale under the Waste Lands Law in force in the Provincial District of Otago; but all proceeds arising from such sale shall be received by the University and held in trust for investment on real security or in Government and Municipal debentures issued in the colony, and shall pay the income, interest, and profits arising from such investment in the manner declared by section *five* of this Act as to the rents, issues, and profits of the said lands.

Schedules.

SCHEDULE.

FIRST SCHEDULE.

ALL that parcel of land on which the present Museum is erected and the grounds adjoining thereto, being all that area in the Colony of New Zealand containing by admeasurement one (1) acre and fourteen (14) poles, more or less, being Sections twenty-four (24), twenty-five (25), and twenty-six (26), and part of Sections twenty-seven (27), thirty-four (34), thirty-five (35), thirty-six (36), and thirty-seven (37), Block twenty-nine (XXIX.), on the map of the Town of Dunedin. Bounded towards the North by the other part of Sections twenty-seven (27) and thirty-four (34) three hundred and thirty (330) links; towards the East by the other parts of Sections thirty-four (34), thirty-five (35), thirty-six (36), and thirty-seven (37), three hundred and thirty (330) links; towards the South by part of Section thirty-eight (38) and by Section twenty-three (23), three hundred and thirty (330) links; and towards the South by Great King Street, three hundred and thirty (330) links.

SECOND SCHEDULE.

ALL that area in the Provincial District of Otago containing by admeasurement eleven thousand (11,000) acres, more or less, being parts of Runs numbered twenty (20) and seventy-seven (77) on the map of the North-eastern Pastoral District, deposited in the Survey Office, Dunedin. Bounded towards the North by an East and West line from a point on the Taieri River due East of Trigonometrical Station D., Nenthorn Survey District, to its intersection with a line from Hummock Trigonometrical Station to Silver Peak Trigonometrical Station; towards the East by a portion of the said line connecting Hummock Trigonometrical Station and Silver Peak Trigonometrical Station to a point due East of Trigonometrical Station C., Silver Peak District; towards the South by an East and West line through said Trigonometrical Station to boundary of Run No. twenty (20) at Allen Stream, thence by that stream to the Taieri River; and towards the South-west and West by the Taieri River. Excepting therefrom all pre-emptive rights, and also the right to take railway and road lines without compensation.