

(Hon. Mr. Bathgate.)

# Ruapuke Annexation.

## ANALYSIS.

<p>Title. Preamble. 1. Short Title. 2. Islands of Ruapuke and Solander, and all islands within the 160th and 170th degrees</p>	<p>of East longitude, and North of the 47th parallel of South latitude, annexed to Otago. 3. Laws in force in that part of Otago which was formerly Southland, to be in force in islands annexed by this Act.</p>
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## A BILL INTITULED

AN ACT to Annex to the Province of Otago certain  
Islands lying near thereto and not yet annexed. Title.

WHEREAS by "The Stewart's Island Annexation Act, 1863,"  
Stewart's Island was annexed to the Province of Southland :  
And whereas by "The Otago and Southland Union Act, 1870," the  
Provinces of Otago and Southland were united into one Province called  
Otago : And whereas the Islands of Ruapuke and Solander and  
certain other islands in New Zealand are near to and may be advantageously  
annexed to the said Province of Otago : Preamble.

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 Islands of Ruapuke,  
Solander, and other Islands Annexation Act, 1873." Short Title.

2. The Islands of Ruapuke, Solander, and all other islands in  
New Zealand not hereinbefore annexed to the Province of Otago, and  
situate South of Otago and off the coasts of Otago and Stewart's Island,  
lying between the 165th and 170th degrees of East longitude, and  
North of the 47th parallel of South latitude, are hereby annexed to  
the Province of Otago, and shall henceforth for all purposes whatsoever  
be deemed and taken to be within the boundaries and a part of the  
Province of Otago. Islands of Ruapuke and Solander, and all islands within the 160th and 170th degrees of East longitude, and North of the 47th parallel of South latitude, annexed to Otago.

3. All laws and ordinances in force immediately before the passing  
of this Act within that portion of the Province of Otago which before  
the union of the Provinces of Otago and Southland was included  
within the Province of Southland shall, on the passing of this Act, be  
in force in those parts of the Colony hereby annexed to the said  
Province of Otago. Laws in force in that part of Otago which was formerly Southland, to be in force in islands annexed by this Act.