

## RESERVES AND OTHER LANDS DISPOSAL BILL, 1933.

### EXPLANATORY NOTES.

Clause 2: Cancelling the reservation for thermal purposes over part Section 12, Rangitaiki Parish, and setting the land apart as a public domain (file L. and S. 611).—The land dealt with in this clause contains hot springs of considerable value, and was acquired by the Crown in 1918 for thermal purposes. It has been controlled by the Whakatane County Council under the provisions of section 13 of the Scenery Preservation Act, 1908, but considerable difficulty has been experienced in administering the reserve under that Act. It is desired therefore that the land should be made a public domain, which action, while effectively retaining public ownership, will at the same time give more effective powers of control. The clause makes the reserve a public domain under the control of the County Council as a Domain Board, and provides also that the Council may deal with matters affecting the reserve at its ordinary meetings without being specially called together as a Domain Board. The land itself has no scenic value, but the springs are popular with the public as a bathing-place, and it is the Council's intention to manage and develop the property for that purpose.

Clause 3: Taking certain lands for the Thames Water-race and amending a description with regard thereto (files P.W. 28/312 and L. and S. 27/226).—The Thames Water-race was built by the Provincial Government some sixty years ago, and at about the same time the land required for the race was purchased. Recent investigations carried out by the Land Transfer Office in arranging for the adjoining land to be brought under the Land Transfer Act, reveal that a few small areas of land occupied by the race were not formally conveyed to the Crown. The reason for this omission is not now apparent, but there is no doubt that the then owners of the land acquiesced in the construction of the race. A deed is in existence granting the Superintendent of the Province of Auckland the right to construct and maintain the race over the lands in question. The Land Transfer titles to the adjoining lands have been issued excluding the land in question, which is shown on the borough maps as a water-race reserve. The present action has been taken at the request of the District Land Registrar in order that he may put his records in order.

Clause 4: Validating a certain payment by the Westshore Domain Board (file L. and S. 1/108).—The Westshore Domain Board was appointed in November, 1930, to control the land formerly known as the Vigor Brown Domain, but now known as the Westshore Domain. The Board had no funds available wherewith to carry out improvements to the Domain, and applied to the Napier Thirty Thousand Club, Incorporated, for assistance. The club agreed to give the Board financial assistance provided Mr. C. R. Gardiner, a member of the Domain Board, did the work, and this was agreed to. The actual contracts were, however, between the Board and Mr. Gardiner, and, therefore, the payments, amounting in all to £176 3s. 9d., contravened the provisions of section 99 of the Public Reserves, Domains, and National Parks Act, 1928, and legislation is necessary to validate the matter.

Clause 5: Validating a certain payment by the Pongaroa Scenic Board (file L. and S. 326).—The Pongaroa Scenic Board desired certain tree-planting to be carried out upon the land under its control, and called tenders for the work. The only tender received was one from Mr. Max Kayser, a member of the Board, which was accepted. Mr. Kayser performed his part of the contract, and was duly paid a sum of £8 4s. 6d. therefor by the Board. However, according to law Mr. Kayser was not in a position to contract with the Board, of which he is a member, but as the contract was entered into in good faith, and as the amount paid was in all respects reasonable in regard to the work done, it is equitable that this payment should be validated.

Clause 6 : Validating certain transactions in regard to Otamakapua No. 1A Block (McGregor Block), (file L. and S. 26/5/28).—Otamakapua No. 1A Block, known also as the McGregor Block, consists of an area of 1,740 acres of Native land over which Mrs. Matilda McGregor obtained a lease for a term of fifty years from the 20th of June, 1906. Between 1915 and 1926 Mrs. McGregor granted various subleases of portions of the block. The majority of the sublessees were returned soldiers to whom advances were granted under the Discharged Soldiers Settlement Act, 1915, and its amendments. In 1930, owing to default on the part of the sublessees, the Department, to protect its own interests, acquired by transfer from Mrs. McGregor without consideration all her interests in the head lease. Surrenders of the existing subleases held by discharged soldiers were then arranged. A revaluation of the properties was made by the Department's valuers and new subleases granted with rentals in accordance with values at that time. There was no actual authority for the acceptance of the transfer of the head lease, and legislation is therefore necessary to validate the transaction and to enable the Department to deal with subdivisions at present unoccupied and with subdivisions the subleases of which may hereafter be determined.

Clause 7 : Cancelling the reservation as a provisional State forest over certain land in Marlborough Land District, and setting the same apart as a scenic reserve (file L. and S. 4/652).—The land dealt with in this clause comprises an area of 236 acres and is situated on a headland at the entrance to the Port of Havelock. The land is now covered in light native bush and should make a picturesque scenic reserve. It is desired therefore to set it apart under the provisions of the Scenery Preservation Act, 1908. The State Forest Service has agreed to the change of purpose of the reservation, and the Scenery Preservation Board has recommended that the land should be set apart as proposed herein.

Clause 8 : Cancelling the reservation as a Provisional State forest over certain land in Marlborough Land District, and setting the same apart as a scenic reserve (file L. and S. 4/354).—The land dealt with in this clause comprises an area of 450 acres from which the larger and more valuable timber-trees have been removed by milling operations. The area, however, is still bushland and, though too poor in quality to be of any use for farming, it possesses considerable scenic value. It is proposed to vest the control of the area in the Pelorus Bridge Scenic Board, which has control of other scenic reserves in the vicinity. The State Forest Service has agreed to the change of purpose of the reservation, and the Scenery Preservation Board has recommended that the land should be set apart as proposed herein.

Clause 9 : Authorizing the Gisborne Borough Council to join with the Crown in the acquisition of certain land as a public domain, and providing for the raising of a special loan for such purpose (file L. and S. 1/603).—The Makaraka Domain, containing an area of 43 acres 2 roods 30 perches, and situated a short distance outside the borough boundary, has for many years been under the control of the Gisborne Borough Council acting as a Domain Board. It has not been used for recreation, and has been leased for grazing, from which source the sum of some £1,700 has been accumulated. Last year the Borough Council approached the Government in the matter of the proposed acquisition for recreation purposes of the Gisborne Racing Club's property of approximately 106 acres generally known as "The Park," and situated just outside the borough boundary at a distance of 2 miles 67 chains from the Gisborne Post-office. It appeared that the two Gisborne Racing Clubs (Poverty Bay Turf Club and Gisborne Racing Club) had agreed to amalgamate and to carry on racing in the future on the Turf Club's property. The Racing Club placed its land under offer for recreation purposes at the price of £6,500, towards which amount the club was prepared to take over the Makaraka Domain at a valuation of £2,500. The remaining £4,000 was to be paid as follows: (a) £1,500 in cash from the Makaraka Domain Account; (b) £2,500 in borough debentures. The matter was very carefully looked into, and the reports obtained showed that the club's property was very suitable for the purposes of a public domain, and would be a good asset to the Borough for sports, picnics, and camping-site purposes, being well sheltered and planted with shady trees. A special valuation placed a value of £2,055 on the Makaraka Domain, and £6,280 on the Racing Club's property, the extensive buildings on which were valued on the basis of their utility from the public recreation point of view. Gisborne has not been particularly well endowed with open spaces, and the proposal seemed to provide a good opportunity of acquiring an

extensive public park for the town and district. Government approval was given to the scheme, and it was proposed to complete the matter under the authority of section 37 of the Public Reserves, Domains, and National Parks Act, 1928, providing for the exchange of domain land for land more suitable for domain purposes, the procedure being for the club to transfer its property to the Crown as and for a recreation-ground, while on its part the Crown would grant title to the club over the Makaraka Domain area. Payment would also be made to the club of £1,500 in cash from the funds standing to the credit of the Makaraka Domain, while the balance of £2,500 would be arranged by means of borough debentures to be granted to the club. It was understood that it would be necessary for the Borough Council to apply to the Local Government Loans Board for authority to raise the necessary loan of £2,500. The club agreed to find a tenant who would take a five-year lease of the land at a rental of £150 per annum. This lease would not affect the use of the land for recreation, and it was proposed that the rental-moneys should be used by the Council in meeting interest payments on the proposed loan of £2,500. A difficulty arose, however, in that it was held the Council had no authority to raise a loan for the purpose of contributing towards the acquisition by the Crown of the property concerned. Under these circumstances, an undertaking was given that special legislation would be provided to clear up the position, and on this understanding the Council lately approached the Loans Board, which sanctioned the application as for submission to a poll of the ratepayers. The poll will be taken on the 31st January next, and the clause places the whole matter in order.

Clause 10: Extending the benefits of section 124 of the Land Act, 1924, to the holder of any lease under section 35 of the Reserves and other Lands, &c., Act, 1919 (file L. and S. 22/1984).—The object of this clause is to bring within the scope of section 124 of the Land Act, 1924, the special lease to the East Coast Maori Soldiers' Fund of part Hereheretau 2D Block (Wairoa). This lease, comprising an area of 6,372 acres, was given under the special provisions of section 35 of the Reserves and other Lands Disposal and Public Bodies Empowering Act, 1919, and although on somewhat similar terms to the usual Crown lease it is found that the statutory power of the Land Board and the Minister to consider revision of rental does not extend to this particular case, and legislation is required to make section 124 above mentioned apply.

Clause 11: Extending powers of trustees of a recreation and racecourse reserve at Martinborough (file L. and S. 1/885).—An area of slightly over 100 acres at Martinborough is vested in three trustees as a public recreation-ground and racecourse for the people of the township and surrounding districts, subject to a deed of trust dated 18th February, 1913. Under the deed the trustees have powers of mortgage and lease, the proceeds to be used in carrying out improvements on the land. The property has not so far been required by the public as a recreation reserve, and it has accordingly been leased by the trustees for farming purposes. As revenue accumulated, it was used by the trustees in the acquisition of a sports-ground in Martinborough and in grants for improvements to the Memorial Square in the township. These acts were outside the scope of the trust, and were validated by section 11 of the Reserves and other Lands Disposal Act, 1928. The trustees now find that revenue is again accumulating, and they desire to obtain wider powers of dealing with such accumulated funds. They wish to have power to expend their funds in the acquisition or improvement of other lands for recreation purposes within the County of Featherston. There seems to be no objection to extending their powers in the manner proposed, and the clause makes provision accordingly. It is provided that no areas may be acquired without the approval of the Minister of Lands, who is also charged under the clause with the duty of determining under what trusts any areas that may be acquired shall be held.

Clause 12: Cancelling the reservation as provisional State forest over certain land in Nelson Land District, and setting the same apart as a scenic reserve (file L. and S. 6/5/46).—The land dealt with in this clause contains an area of some 277 acres, and is situated at the headwaters of the north branch of the Riwaka River. It was set apart with numerous other areas in 1920 as provisional State forest, and possesses scenic attractions well above the average. There is a strong desire in the district to have this bush made a scenic reserve, and as the area is undoubtedly very suitable for the purpose it is proposed to set the same apart permanently under the provisions of the Scenery Preservation Act, 1908. The State Forest Service concurs, and the Scenery Preservation Board has recommended that the land be set apart as proposed herein.

Clause 13: Authorizing the Christchurch City Council to grant a lease of part of a Municipal Reserve to the Christchurch Returned Soldiers Association, Incorporated (file L. and S. 6/1/523).—The land to which this section relates contains 15 acres, and is held in trust by the Christchurch City Council for municipal purposes of the City of Christchurch. By Part XVIII of the Municipal Corporations Act, 1920, no lease of such land may be for a longer term than one year unless sold by public auction or public tender, but the Council desires to grant a lease for a term of thirty years at a peppercorn rental to the Christchurch Returned Soldiers Association, Incorporated, in order that the association may establish a soldiers' and sailors' settlement. There is no objection to the establishing of such a settlement, but legislation is necessary to enable the desired lease to be granted. The Returned Soldiers Association proposes to erect cottages on the area for the purpose of housing ex-service men who may be in poor circumstances and in need of accommodation. It is understood that the work of levelling and preparing the ground has been commenced, and that representative committees of Christchurch citizens have been set up in furtherance of the proposal, while there is reason to believe that the association will be able to raise the necessary funds for building the cottages.

Clause 14: Cancelling provisional State forest reservation over certain land in Otago Land District and setting same apart as a recreation reserve (file L. and S. 1/967).—The land dealt with in this clause comprises an area of 37 acres 2 roods 6 perches and is situated at Purakauiti. There is no recreation reserve in the vicinity and the settlers have requested that this area, together with certain adjoining Crown land, be set aside for that purpose. The Crown land is being reserved under the provisions of the Land Act, 1924, but legislation is necessary to deal with the provisional State Forest area. The land is admirably suited for recreation purposes, and the State Forest Service is agreeable to the change of purpose of the reservation. The area dealt with in the clause, together with the Crown land referred to, will finally be brought under Part II of the Public Reserves, Domains, and National Parks Act, 1928, as a public domain, and placed under the control of a Domain Board of local residents.

Clause 15: Authorizing the leasing of portion of Lake Okataina Scenic Reserves (file L. and S. 4/215/1).—In or about the year 1928 the late Dr. F. J. Rayner, of Auckland, in partnership with Mr. N. Cole, of Auckland, erected certain buildings known as the Okataina Fishing Lodge on the shores of Lake Okataina. The buildings comprised a lodge with sleeping-annexes, &c., and cost probably in the vicinity of £1,500 to erect. The site of the buildings was portion of the large area of land surrounding the lake which the Native owners had undertaken to cede to the Crown as scenic reserves under the provisions of section 20 of the Native Land Amendment and Native Land Claims Adjustment Act, 1921–22. Cession of the Native areas to the Crown was completed in 1931, and in accordance with arrangements entered into with the Natives, the control of the ceded areas has been vested in a special Board of control comprising representatives of the Ngati Tarawhai Tribe. The position therefore is that the lodge buildings are situated on scenic reserve land vested in the Crown, but under the control of a Board of Native members. Dr. Rayner died some little time ago, and his partner in the Okataina enterprise, Mr. N. Cole, desires to obtain a lease of the property in order that he may have an opportunity of recouping some of his outlay. The executor of the Rayner Estate has executed a deed of assignment whereby any interest which the late Dr. Rayner and Mr. Cole had in partnership in the lodge buildings and appurtenant chattels is assigned to Mr. Cole in consideration of the latter taking over certain liabilities of the partnership. The position has been fully discussed with the Scenic Board, which recommends that Mr. Cole be granted a lease for a term of ten years over an area of approximately 2 acres upon such terms and conditions as the Minister in Charge of Scenery Preservation may think fit. It is proposed that a reasonable rental shall be charged and paid to the Scenic Board to assist in meeting its administration expenses, and that the manager of the lodge shall act as ranger for the scenic reserves and keep a check generally on visitors and launch-parties, &c. The Board does not possess a launch of its own, and as most of the reserves are accessible only by water the proper supervision of the scenic areas is more or less beyond the Board's resources at present. The selection of the manager of the lodge will be subject to the approval of the Department, and it is proposed that any lease granted will contain special conditions with respect to the management of the buildings and to the manager acting as

ranger for the scenic reserves. It is considered that it will be in the public interest for the buildings to remain under proper control and management, and the clause provides authority for the granting of a lease upon such terms and conditions as may be considered necessary.

Clause 16: Authorizing Havelock Commonage Trustees to contribute to funds of Waitahuna Domain Board (files L. and S. 1/356 and 1/420).—The management of an area of some 3,000 acres at Havelock, Otago, is vested in Trustees under the Havelock Commonage Act, 1905, for the benefit of the inhabitants of Havelock. The Trustees have a fair revenue from grazing-rights and have effected considerable improvements. They have a respectable credit balance, which they are unable to expend to full advantage on the commonage property. The local domain, containing a little over 5 acres, and known as Waitahuna, was controlled by a Domain Board which was entirely without funds. At the wish of the local people the old Domain Board recently resigned, in order that the Commonage Trustees could be appointed to have the control and management of the domain. It was thought that this action would permit of commonage funds being expended on the domain to the benefit of the district. A difficulty arose, however, in that it was held that the purposes for which the funds of the Trustees may be used do not include expenditure on the improvement of a public domain. Under these circumstances an undertaking was given that special legislation would be sought to authorize the expenditure of commonage funds on the domain, and the clause provides the necessary authority.

Clause 17: Cancelling the reservation over provisional State forest and scenic reserve areas in Southland Land District, and setting the same apart for national park purposes (file L. and S. X/101/23).—The land dealt with in this clause comprises 1,900 acres of provisional State forest and 160 acres of scenic reserve, situated on the western side of the Waiiau River between Lakes Te Anau and Manapouri. It is desired to add these areas, together with some 540 acres of Crown land, to the Sounds National Park in order that all the land on the western side of the Waiiau in that locality may be administered under the one form of reservation. The Crown land area is being dealt with under existing statutory authority, but special legislation is necessary to deal with the provisional State forest and scenic reserve areas. The State Forest Service have no objection to the proposal so far as the provisional State forest area is concerned. The lands dealt with are not suitable for settlement purposes.

Clause 18: Limiting powers of Egmont Agricultural and Pastoral Association to mortgage its property (file L. and S. 22/3413).—The Egmont Agricultural and Pastoral Association owns a property of some 53 acres in the Borough of Hawera. Portions of the land are used for the purposes of the annual show held by the association, and in addition for athletic sports, football, and other games. The area forms a valuable open space in the borough, and is in effect a public recreation-ground. Until recently the land was subject to a mortgage securing the sum of £10,000, and for some considerable time past the association has been in difficulties owing to its financial burdens, and more particularly to the payment of interest under the said mortgage. The association has suffered annual losses which would have been much greater, but for the fact that during the past three years the mortgagee has remitted a fairly substantial portion of the annual interest charges. However, the mortgagee recently made a generous offer to accept £5,000 in full satisfaction of the principal sum of £10,000, provided that the public of South Taranaki subscribed by way of gift not less than £3,000, and also that the association's powers were limited in future to the borrowing of a sum of not more than £2,000. The committee of the association thereupon instituted an active canvass of the residents of South Taranaki, and have raised by way of gift the sum of £3,500 on the undertaking that the association would not borrow for any purpose whatsoever other than for refinancing, and the mortgage of £10,000 has accordingly been reduced to £1,500. It is very desirable that the property should be preserved as show and pleasure grounds for the people of South Taranaki, and that the same be not hereafter mortgaged or pledged by the association in any way. The remaining debt of £1,500 may have to be refinanced, but as and when this amount is finally paid off it is proposed that no further financial proposals involving the pledging of the land as security shall be entertained.

Clause 19 : Authorizing surrender of lease over Sections 1 of 4 and 1 of 5, Omaka Settlement, Block I, Taylor Pass Survey District, the issue of a new lease, and the disposal of certain insurance moneys (file L. and S. 26/27351).—Sections 1 of 4 and 1 of 5, Block I, Taylor Pass Survey District, Omaka Settlement, containing an area of 180 acres 3 roods 13 perches, are held under renewable lease for thirty-three years from 1st January, 1925. The capital value is £3,200, and this amount includes buildings valued in the lease at £1,100, comprising house, £1,000 ; stable, loft, and lean-to, £50 ; and whare, shed, &c., £50. The house has been destroyed by fire and insurance-moneys amounting to £800 have been received by the Department. The lessee is building a new house costing £550, and wishes also to rebuild at a cost of £50 the old stable on the farm. It is desired to pay the cost of the new house and stable out of the insurance-moneys, and to provide that hereafter these new buildings and the other buildings now on the farm shall not form part of the capital value of the land, but shall be paid for separately by the lessee by instalments in manner provided by section 61 of the Land for Settlements Act, 1925. The object of the clause is to provide that the lessee shall pay rent on the value of the land and instalments on the replacement value of the new house and stable, plus the value of the other buildings on the farm. To give full effect to the proposals it is desired to arrange for the surrender of the existing lease, and for the issue of a new lease at an amended capital value and rental. The clause gives the necessary authority in this respect, and also provides for the disposal of the insurance-moneys received.

Clause 20 : Authorizing grant of lease to Dannevirke Rugby Football Sub-union of part of a police reserve (file L. and S. 6/7/54).—The Dannevirke Rugby Football Sub-union, which owns an area of some 8 acres 2 roods 34·8 perches in Dannevirke, has applied for a lease of portion of the adjoining police reserve with a view to extending its football-grounds. The area of the police reserve concerned is 4 acres 2 roods 10 perches, and the Police Department has agreed to lease a strip 300 links in width and 616 links in depth (approximately 1 acre 3 roods 14 perches) for a term not exceeding twenty-one years, upon reasonable terms and conditions. As there is no power to grant such a lease without public competition, legislative authority is necessary to give effect to the proposal.

Clause 21 : Section 12 of the Reserves and other Lands Disposal Act, 1932–33, amended.—The said section 12 temporarily extended the benefits of sections 124 of the Land Act, 1924, and 5 of the Land for Settlements Amendment Act, 1927, with respect to the granting of remissions or postponements of rent in cases where such remissions or postponements had been granted to any lessee for the full period of five years. The period during which the provisions of the said section 12 can be operated expires on 30th June, 1934, and it is deemed desirable to extend the operation of the section for another year as from that date.

Clause 22 : Section 13 of the Reserves and other Lands Disposal Act, 1932–33, amended.—By this section the powers with respect to the revaluation of rural Crown and settlement lands have been suspended during the period between 10th March, 1933, and the 1st July, 1934. In view of the continuance of unstable conditions with respect to prices for farm-produce and the consequent difficulty of determining farming-land values, it is deemed advisable to extend the suspension period until 1st July, 1935, and the clause makes provision accordingly. The clause also suspends until the said date the power to revalue certain small grazing-run areas held under renewal leases granted between the 28th February, 1919, and the 11th February, 1922.

Clause 23 : Section 3 of the Land Laws Amendment Act, 1931, extended. This section made temporary provision whereby the Land Board, with the approval of the Minister of Lands, was empowered to extend for any period not exceeding five years the term of any lease of a small-grazing run of Crown land or of settlement land, the term of which is due to expire at any time not later than the 1st March, 1934. Having regard to the continuance of depressed conditions, it is considered expedient to extend this date to 1st March, 1936. It will be noted that the clause will also make the provisions of the said section 3 applicable to cases where leases which have already been extended will again expire on a date not later than the 1st March, 1936.

Clause 24 : Amending section 4 of the Land Laws Amendment Act, 1931. This section made provision whereby the Land Board, with the approval of the Minister of Lands, could extend for a period not exceeding seven years the term of any occupation with right-of-purchase license the term of which is due to expire at any time not later than the 31st December, 1933. The reason for this legislation is that in a large number of cases licensees are unable to find the money necessary to enable them to exercise their rights of acquiring the fee-simple of their holdings. Having regard to the financial stringency, it is deemed expedient to extend the period to 1st January, 1936. It will be noted that the clause will also make the provisions of the said section 4 applicable to cases where licenses which have already been extended will again expire on a date not later than 1st January, 1936. The verbal amendments made to subsection (2) of the said section 4 are for the purpose of clarifying the position with respect to the granting of extensions in cases where licenses have actually expired but the licensees have continued in occupation.

Clause 25 : Amending section 119 of the Reserves and other Lands Disposal and Public Bodies Empowering Act, 1921-22 (file L. and S. 20/105).—In 1921 the sum of £5,100 was paid to the former lessee of this education reserve as compensation for his improvements, and the land was then subdivided and offered for selection. By section 119 of the Reserves and other Lands Disposal and Public Bodies Empowering Act, 1921-22, authority was given for the value of the improvements to be included in the capital value of each lot and the annual rental correspondingly increased, but on account of the depreciating nature of the improvements it is now considered advisable that the value of the improvements should be recovered from the lessees by payment either in cash or over a period of years. The purport of this clause is to authorize the North Auckland Land Board to fix the terms and conditions of payment.

Clause 26 : Authorizing cancellation of reservation over portion of Rongokaupo Hill Scenic Reserve in Block IV, Makotuku Survey District (file L. and S. 4/183).—The Rongokaupo Hill Scenic Reserve, lying on both sides of the Main Trunk Railway between Ohakune and Horopito, contains a total area of over 2,157 acres. Representations have been made to the effect that portion of the reserve at the Horopito end, containing some 394 acres and situated on the eastern side of the railway, has suffered considerable damage, and a careful inspection shows that the bush on about 76 acres of this portion has been destroyed by fire. The prevailing wind in the locality is north-westerly, and there is considerable danger of more bush being destroyed by further fires started by wind-blown sparks from locomotives labouring up the heavy grade in the vicinity. It is therefore considered desirable to have power at any time it is considered expedient to do so to uplift the scenic reservation so that the timber on the land can be disposed of to advantage before fires cause further damage. The area being dealt with is bounded on the south by the Taonui Stream, which forms a natural firebreak safeguarding the remainder of the reserve.

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## RESERVES AND OTHER LANDS DISPOSAL.

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| <p>21. Section 12 of Reserves and other Lands Disposal Act, 1932-33, amended.</p> <p>22. Section 13 of Reserves and other Lands Disposal Act, 1932-33, amended.</p> <p>23. Section 3 of Land Laws Amendment Act, 1931, extended.</p> <p>24. Amending section 4 of the Land Laws Amendment Act, 1931.</p> | <p>25. Amending section 119 of the Reserves and other Lands Disposal and Public Bodies Empowering Act, 1921-22.</p> <p>26. Authorizing cancellation of reservation over portion of Rongokaupo Hill Scenic Reserve in Block IV, Makotuku Survey District.</p> |
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### A BILL INTITULED

**Title.** AN ACT to provide for the Sale, Reservation, and other Disposition of certain Reserves, Crown Lands, Endowments, and other Lands, to validate certain Transactions, and to make Provision in respect of certain other Matters. 5

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

**Short Title.** 1. This Act may be cited as the Reserves and other Lands Disposal Act, 1933. 10

Cancelling the reservation for thermal purposes over part Section 12, Rangitaiki Parish, and setting the land apart as a public domain.

2. Whereas the land hereinafter described was by Proclamation published in the *Gazette* of the eighteenth day of July, nineteen hundred and eighteen, taken for thermal purposes, and the control of such land is now vested in the Whakatane County Council pursuant to the provisions of the Scenery Preservation Act, 1908: And whereas it is desirable that the said land should be set apart as a public domain subject to the provisions of Part II of the Public Reserves, Domains, and National Parks Act, 1928, and arrangements made for its control and management by the said Council acting as a Domain Board: Be it therefore enacted as follows:— 15 20

(1) The reservation for thermal purposes over the land hereinafter described and the vesting of control thereof in the Whakatane County Council under the provisions of the Scenery Preservation Act, 1908, are hereby cancelled, and the said land is hereby set apart as a public domain subject to the provisions of Part II of the Public Reserves, Domains, and National Parks Act, 1928, under the name of the Pukaahu Hot Springs Domain. 25 30

(2) The Whakatane County Council shall be the Pukaahu Hot Springs Domain Board, having the care and management of the said land as if it had been duly 35

appointed as such pursuant to the provisions in that behalf of section forty-eight of the Public Reserves, Domains, and National Parks Act, 1928, and notwithstanding anything in that Act it shall be lawful for such Council to exercise and carry out the functions, rights, and powers which as such Domain Board it is entitled to exercise or carry out in the name of the Whakatane County Council and by resolutions and proceedings of the Council without being called together or sitting as a Domain Board.

(3) The land to which this section relates is more particularly described as follows:—

All that area in the Auckland Land District, containing by admeasurement ten acres three roods thirty-eight perches, more or less, being part of Section 12, Rangitaiki Parish, in Block VII, Rangitaiki Upper Survey District: bounded on the north-east, south-east, and south-west by other part of the the said Section 12, and on the north-west by a public road: as the same is more particularly delineated on the plan marked L. and S. 611, deposited in the Head Office, Department of Lands and Survey, at Wellington, and thereon bordered red.

3. Whereas by Proclamation published in the *Gazette* of the twenty-ninth day of August, eighteen hundred and ninety-five, at page 1295, and registered in the Land Registry Office at Auckland as Number 1425, the lands described therein were taken for the Thames Water-race: And whereas certain further lands on which the said water-race was constructed have not been taken in the manner required by law, and it is desirable that they should be taken: And whereas one area is incorrectly described in the said Proclamation: Be it therefore enacted as follows:—

(1) The parcels of land situated in the Thames Survey District, containing one rood twenty-five perches, two roods two and seven-tenths perches, and two roods eleven and four-fifths perches, being portion of land granted to the Church Mission Society in Crown Grant 545D, as the same are more particularly delineated on the plan marked P.W.D. 86512, deposited in the office of the Minister of Public Works at Wellington, and thereon coloured purple, red, and blue respectively, are hereby taken for the Thames Water-race, and shall be deemed to have been included in the said Proclamation.

Taking certain lands for the Thames Water-race and amending a description with regard thereto.

(2) The said Proclamation is hereby amended by adding "and Korokoro A Blocks" after "1282 Hui-karetu A 2" as the description of the area of three roods twenty-six perches included in the schedule thereto.

(3) The District Land Registrar for the Auckland Land Registration District is hereby empowered to make such entries in the registers as are necessary to give effect to the provisions of this section. 5

Validating a certain payment by the Westshore Domain Board.

4. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in the Public Reserves, Domains, and National Parks Act, 1928, or in any other Act, the payment during the three financial years ended the thirty-first day of March, nineteen hundred and thirty-three, by the Westshore Domain Board to Charles Richard Gardiner, a member of the said Board, of the sum of one hundred and seventy-six pounds three shillings and ninepence is hereby validated and declared to have been lawfully made by the said Board and to have been lawfully received by the said Charles Richard Gardiner. 15

Validating a certain payment by the Pongaroa Scenic Board.

5. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in the Scenery Preservation Act, 1908, or in any other Act, the payment during the four financial years ended the thirty-first day of March, nineteen hundred and thirty-three, by the Pongaroa Scenic Board to Max Kayser, a member of the said Board, of the sum of eight pounds four shillings and sixpence is hereby validated and declared to have been lawfully made by the said Board and to have been lawfully received by the said Max Kayser. 20 25

Validating certain transactions in regard to Otamakapua No. 1A Block (McGregor Block).

6. Whereas by memorandum of lease dated the twenty-second day of August, nineteen hundred and six, and registered in the office of the District Land Registrar of the Land Registration District of Wellington under Number 7220, Utiku Potaka, of Rata, in the Provincial District of Wellington, with the consent of the Aotea District Maori Land Board given pursuant to the provisions of section sixteen of the Maori Lands Settlement Act, 1905, leased to Matilda McGregor, of Mangaonoho, in the Provincial District of Wellington, wife of Ewen McGregor of the same place, for the term of fifty years from and inclusive of the twentieth day of June, nineteen hundred and six, all that piece of land situated in the Provincial District of Wellington, containing one thousand seven hundred and forty acres, be the 30 35 40

same a little more or less, being the block of land known as Otamakapua Number 1A Block, situate in Block IV, Ongo Survey District, and Block I, Apiti Survey District, and being the whole of the land then comprised in and  
5 described by certificate of title, Volume 92, folio 299, and now in certificate of title, Volume 366, folio 257, in the office of the District Land Registrar of the Land Registration District of Wellington: And whereas Matilda  
10 McGregor subdivided the land comprised in the said memorandum of lease registered Number 7220 and granted to various persons subleases of the subdivisions for varying terms: And whereas His Majesty the King made  
advances pursuant to the provisions of the Discharged Soldiers Settlement Act, 1915, to enable various persons  
15 to acquire a number of the various sublessees' interests in the subleases and to effect in some cases permanent improvements on the lands comprised therein: And whereas on the default of the sublessees who had obtained  
advances from His Majesty pursuant to the provisions  
20 of the Discharged Soldiers Settlement Act, 1915, both in compliance with the terms of their subleases and the mortgages to His Majesty the King securing thereon the moneys advanced as aforesaid, it was considered desirable  
in protection of the moneys so advanced, which form part  
25 of the Discharged Soldiers Settlement Account, for the interest of Matilda McGregor in memorandum of lease registered Number 7220 aforesaid to be acquired by His Majesty: And whereas Matilda McGregor's interest in  
memorandum of lease registered Number 7220 was ac-  
30 quired by His Majesty without consideration by memorandum of transfer dated the eighth day of April, nineteen hundred and thirty-two, and registered in the office  
of the District Land Registrar of the Land Registration  
District of Wellington on the eighth day of April, nineteen  
35 hundred and thirty-two, under Number 215277: And whereas His Majesty, as lessee under memorandum of lease registered Number 7220, and now lessor of the various subleases, accepted in some cases the surrender of the sub-  
leases on the security of which moneys had been advanced  
40 pursuant to the Discharged Soldiers Settlement Act, 1915, and in other cases determined by re-entry the subleases on the security of which moneys had been similarly advanced and granted in lieu thereof fresh subleases, with rentals in accordance with present-day values, and secured

same to His Majesty by way of mortgages representing the present-day values of the interests against which advances were made from the Discharged Soldiers Settlement Account: And whereas fresh subleases were arranged for those subdivisions which were untenanted when memorandum of lease Number 7220 aforementioned was acquired by His Majesty, and security taken thereover for moneys previously advanced from the Discharged Soldiers Settlement Account in accordance with to-day's values of the interest represented by such advances: And whereas it is desired to validate all such acts and to enable appropriate action to be taken in other cases that may arise in connection with dealings with the said land: Be it therefore enacted as follows:—

(1) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in any Act or rule of law all the following acts are hereby validated, namely:—

(a) The acceptance of the transfer from Matilda McGregor of her interest in memorandum of lease dated the twenty-second day of August, nineteen hundred and six, and registered in the Land Transfer Office at Wellington under Number 7220:

(b) The acceptance of the surrender of the various subleases on the security of which moneys had been advanced from the Discharged Soldiers Settlement Account or the termination by re-entry of such subleases:

c) The granting of fresh subleases in lieu of those determined, with rentals in accordance with current values, and the taking of security thereover by way of mortgages in protection of the moneys advanced from the Discharged Soldiers Settlement Account.

(2) The Governor-General is hereby empowered to grant from time to time, in the name and on behalf of His Majesty, fresh subleases of the unoccupied subdivisions of the land comprised in the said memorandum of lease registered No. 7220, and shall have similar powers in respect of any subdivisions, the subleases of which may be determined in any manner whatever, and also to take security over the subleases so arranged for such subdivisions by way of mortgage to preserve the moneys that may have been advanced on such subdivisions from the Discharged Soldiers Settlement Account. For the purpose

of giving full effect to the provisions of this subsection, the provisions of the Discharged Soldiers Settlement Amendment Act, 1921-22, and the amendments thereof, shall apply in respect of the interests acquired by His Majesty in the lands hereinbefore referred to.

7. Whereas the land hereinafter described is a provisional State forest reserve set apart by Proclamation published in the *Gazette* of the twenty-fifth day of March, nineteen hundred and twenty, and is subject to the provisions of the Forests Act, 1921-22: And whereas it is desirable that the said land should be set aside as a scenic reserve subject to the provisions of the Scenery Preservation Act, 1908, as recommended by the Board constituted under that Act: Be it therefore enacted as follows:—

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Cancelling the reservation as a provisional State forest over certain land in Marlborough Land District, and setting the same apart as a scenic reserve.

(1) The reservation for provisional State forest purposes over the land hereinafter described is hereby cancelled, and the said land is hereby set apart as a scenic reserve subject to the provisions of the Scenery Preservation Act, 1908.

(2) The land to which this section relates is particularly described as follows:—

All that area in the Marlborough Land District, containing two hundred and thirty-six acres, more or less, being Sections 1A and 8A, Block VIII, Wakamarina Survey District: as the same is more particularly delineated on the plan marked L. and S. 4/652, deposited in the Head Office, Department of Lands and Survey, at Wellington, and thereon bordered red.

8. Whereas the land hereinafter described forms portion of an area set apart by Proclamation, published in the *Gazette* of the eighth day of May, nineteen hundred and nineteen, as and for a provisional State forest, and is now subject to the provisions of the Forests Act, 1921-22: And whereas it is desirable that the said land should be set apart as a scenic reserve subject to the provisions of the Scenery Preservation Act, 1908, as recommended by the Board constituted under the last-mentioned Act: Be it therefore enacted as follows:—

Cancelling the reservation as a provisional State forest over certain land in Marlborough Land District and setting the same apart as a scenic reserve.

(1) The reservation as a provisional State forest over the land hereinafter described is hereby cancelled, and the said land is hereby set apart as a scenic reserve subject to the provisions of the Scenery Preservation Act, 1908.

(2) The land to which this section relates is particularly described as follows:—

All that area in the Marlborough Land District, containing four hundred and fifty acres, more or less, being Section 43, Block VIII, and Section 1, Block XI, Heringa Survey District, and Section 33, Block IX, Wakamarina Survey District: as the same is more particularly delineated on plan marked L. and S. 4/354, deposited in the Head Office, Department of Lands and Survey, at Wellington, and thereon bordered green. 5 10

Authorizing the Gisborne Borough Council to join with the Crown in the acquisition of certain land as a public domain, and providing for the raising of a special loan for such purpose.

9. Whereas arrangements have been entered into between the Crown and the Gisborne Borough Council (hereinafter called the Council) for the acquisition as a public domain of certain land at present owned by the Gisborne Racing Club (hereinafter called the club): And whereas the said land is valued for the purposes of such acquisition at the sum of six thousand five hundred pounds: And whereas it has been agreed between the Crown, the Council, and the club that the transaction shall be completed in the manner following, that is to say—(a) By the club accepting in part payment at a valuation of two thousand five hundred pounds the land known as the Makaraka Domain, being Section 6, Block II, Turanganui Survey District, containing an area of forty-three acres two roods thirty perches, more or less; (b) by a cash payment to the club of the sum of one thousand five hundred pounds from the funds at present standing to the credit of the Makaraka Domain Account; (c) by payment to the club of the sum of two thousand five hundred pounds in Gisborne Borough debentures; (d) by the club agreeing to find a suitable lessee for the land so proposed to be acquired as a public domain for a term of five years at a rental of one hundred and fifty pounds per annum: And whereas it is desirable that legislative authority be provided to enable the Council to join with the Crown in the acquisition of the club's property, and for the raising of a special loan to complete the necessary financial arrangements: Be it therefore enacted as follows:— 15 20 25 30 35

(1) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in any Act, the Council may join with the Crown in the acquisition as a public domain under Part II of the Public Reserves, Domains, and National Parks Act, 1928, of the land hereinafter described, and may for such purpose, but subject always to the consent of the Local Government 40 45

Loans Board first had and obtained, borrow an amount, not exceeding two thousand five hundred pounds, by way of special loan under the Local Bodies' Loans Act, 1926, to enable the Council to contribute its agreed-upon  
5 share of the cost of acquisition of such land.

(2) The land the property of the club proposed to be acquired for the purposes of a public domain in the manner hereinbefore appearing is particularly described as follows:—

10 All that parcel of land in the Gisborne Land District, containing by admeasurement one hundred and five acres two roods thirty-eight and five-tenths perches, more or less, being part of subdivisions numbered 1 and 5c on a plan deposited in the Land Registry Office at Gisborne  
15 under Number 555, being also part of the Matawhero 5 or B Block delineated on the public map of Block II, Turanganui Survey District, deposited in the office of the Chief Surveyor at Gisborne, and being also the whole of the land comprised in certificate of title, Volume 42,  
20 folio 55, Gisborne Registry.

Also all that parcel of land in the Borough of Gisborne, Gisborne Land District, containing by admeasurement thirty-three and eighty-two hundredths perches, more or less, being Lot numbered 3 on a plan deposited in the  
25 Land Registry Office at Gisborne under Number 2628, and being the whole of the land comprised in certificate of title, Volume 77, folio 72, Gisborne Registry.

10. The provisions of section one hundred and twenty-four of the Land Act, 1924, are hereby extended so as  
30 to apply to the holder of any lease or part of any lease granted pursuant to the provisions of section thirty-five of the Reserves and other Lands Disposal and Public Bodies Empowering Act, 1919.

Extending the benefits of section 124 of the Land Act, 1924, to the holder of any lease under section 35 of the Reserves and other Lands, &c., Act, 1919.

11. Whereas the land comprised in certificate of  
35 title, Volume 103, folio 58, Wellington Land Registry, containing one hundred and one acres and twenty-six perches (hereinafter referred to as the said land), is vested in trustees in trust as a public recreation-ground and racecourse for the people of Martinborough  
40 and the surrounding districts subject (save as otherwise provided in the instrument creating the trust) to the provisions of sections twenty-nine and thirty of the Public Reserves and Domains Act, 1908: And whereas revenues from the said land have accumulated in the

Extending powers of trustees of a recreation and racecourse reserve at Martinborough.



hands of the trustees and are likely to continue to accumulate: And whereas, in the opinion of the trustees, no object immediately beneficial to the people of Martinborough and the surrounding districts would be achieved by the expenditure of such revenue on the said land: And whereas it is desirable that the trustees should be vested with further powers in respect of the disposal of present and expected accumulations of revenue for the benefit of the people of Martinborough and surrounding districts: Be it therefore enacted as follows:—

Out of any revenues derived from the said land which are at present in or which may in the future come to the hands of the trustees, it shall be lawful for the trustees to expend such sums as they think fit in or toward the following purposes:—

- (a) The improvement of any lands, and the improvement or repair of any buildings, now held or which in the future may be held by the trustees or any other trustees or corporation for purposes of public recreation for the benefit of the people of Martinborough and surrounding districts.
- (b) The purchase or other acquisition by the trustees of any lands or buildings situate within the boundaries of the County of Featherston, whether forming part of that county or not:

Provided that no lands and buildings shall be so purchased or acquired, save with the prior consent of the Minister of Lands, and that all lands and buildings so purchased or acquired shall be held by the trustees upon such trusts for the benefit of the people of Martinborough and surrounding districts as shall be determined by the Minister before granting his consent as aforesaid.

12. Whereas by Proclamation published in the *Gazette* of the twenty-fifth day of March, nineteen hundred and twenty, the land hereinafter described was, with certain other land, set apart as a provisional State forest, and is now subject to the provisions of the Forests Act, 1921-22: And whereas it is desirable that the said land should be set apart as a scenic reserve, subject to the provisions of the Scenery Preservation Act, 1908, as

Cancelling the reservation as provisional State forest over certain land in Nelson Land District, and setting the same apart as a scenic reserve.

recommended by the Board constituted under that Act :  
Be it therefore enacted as follows :—

(1) The reservation for provisional State forest purposes over the land hereinafter described is hereby  
5 cancelled, and the said land is hereby set apart as a scenic reserve, subject to the provisions of the Scenery Preservation Act, 1908.

(2) The land to which this section relates is particularly described as follows :—

10 All that area in the Nelson Land District, containing by admeasurement two hundred and seventy-seven acres two roods twenty-seven perches, more or less, being Section 23, Block VII, Kaiteriteri Survey District : as  
15 6/5/46, deposited in the Head Office, Department of Lands and Survey, at Wellington, and thereon bordered red.

**13.** Whereas the land hereinafter described is held by the Corporation of the City of Christchurch in trust for  
20 municipal purposes of the city : And whereas by Part XVIII of the Municipal Corporations Act, 1920, no lease of the said land may be for any longer term than one year unless sold by public auction or public tender : And whereas the Christchurch City Council desires to  
25 grant to the Christchurch Returned Soldiers' Association, Incorporated, a lease of the said land for a term of thirty years for the purpose of establishing a soldiers' and sailors' settlement : Be it therefore enacted as follows :—

Authorizing the Christchurch City Council to grant a lease of part of a Municipal reserve to the Christchurch Returned Soldiers' Association, Incorporated.

(1) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in the  
30 Municipal Corporations Act, 1920, the Public Reserves, Domains, and National Parks Act, 1928, or in any other Act, the Christchurch City Council is hereby authorized to grant to the Christchurch Returned Soldiers' Association, Incorporated, for the purpose of establishing a  
35 soldiers' and sailors' settlement, a lease of the land hereinafter described at a peppercorn rental for a term of thirty years from the first day of October, nineteen hundred and thirty-three.

(2) The said lease shall contain such provisions, not  
40 inconsistent with this section, as may be considered necessary by the said Council for the right of re-entry over the said land and for the preservation of the amenities of the district.

(3) The land to which this section relates is particularly described as follows:—

All that area in the Canterbury Land District, containing by admeasurement fifteen acres, more or less, situated in the City of Christchurch, and being all the western portion of Reserve 212, and bounded as follows: commencing at a point on the westernmost corner of Reserve 212, thence north-easterly along the east side of Junction Road, 914.42 links,  $17^{\circ} 23'$ ; thence north-easterly and easterly along the east and south sides of Pages Road, 775.24 links,  $43^{\circ} 49' 40''$ , and 240.15 links,  $89^{\circ} 55'$ , respectively; thence southerly 2081.6 links,  $180^{\circ} 10'$ , to a point on the north side of Rudds Road; thence westerly, north-westerly, and again westerly along the north side generally of Rudds Road, 334.9 links,  $270^{\circ} 49'$ ; 904.94 links,  $315^{\circ} 30' 30''$ ; and 75.3 links,  $269^{\circ} 20' 30''$ , respectively, to the point of commencement: as the same is more particularly delineated on the plan marked L. and S. 6/1/523, deposited in the Head Office, Department of Lands and Survey, at Wellington, and thereon bordered red.

Cancelling the provisional State forest reservation over certain land in Otago Land District and setting same apart as a recreation reserve.

14. Whereas the land hereinafter described forms portion of a provisional State forest set apart by Proclamation published in the *Gazette* of the twelfth day of July, nineteen hundred and twenty-three, and is now subject to the provisions of the Forests Act, 1921–22: And whereas it is desirable that the said land should be set apart for recreation purposes: Be it therefore enacted as follows:—

(1) The reservation for provisional State forest purposes over the land hereinafter described is hereby cancelled, and the said land is hereby set apart as a recreation reserve, subject to the provisions of the Public Reserves, Domains, and National Parks Act, 1928.

(2) The land to which this section relates is particularly described as follows:—

All that area in the Otago Land District containing by admeasurement thirty-seven acres two roods six perches, more or less, being part Section 28, Block X, Woodland Survey District, and bounded as follows: towards the north-east by a public road 5349.9 links; towards the east by a public road 49.5 links; towards the south by other part of Section 28, 4721.1 links; and towards the west by Section 14, Block IX, Woodland

Survey District, 1616.5 links : be all the aforesaid linkages more or less : as the same is more particularly delineated on the plan marked L. and S. 1/967, deposited in the Head Office, Department of Lands and Survey, at  
5 Wellington, and thereon bordered red.

15 **15.** Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in the Scenery Preservation Act, 1908, the Minister in Charge of Scenery Preservation may grant a lease over an area of approximately two acres of the Lake Okataina Scenic Reserves in Block XVI, Rotoiti Survey District, Auckland Land District, at the northern end of the lake and adjoining the access road, for any term not exceeding ten years, and upon such terms and conditions as he thinks fit to impose.

Authorizing the leasing of portion of Lake Okataina Scenic Reserves.

15 **16.** Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in the Havelock Commonage Act, 1905, the Town of Havelock Commonage Trustees may from time to time, but subject in each case to the approval of the Minister of Lands, make grants from moneys at their disposal to the funds  
20 of the Waitahuna Domain Board for the improvement of the Waitahuna Domain.

Authorizing Havelock Commonage Trustees to contribute to funds of Waitahuna Domain Board.

**17.** Whereas by Proclamation published in the *Gazette* of the eighth day of May, nineteen hundred and nineteen, the land firstly hereinafter described was set apart as a  
25 provisional State forest, and is now subject to the provisions of the Forests Act, 1921-22 : And whereas by Proclamation published in the *Gazette* of the fifteenth day of February, nineteen hundred and twelve, the land secondly hereinafter described was, with certain other  
30 land, set apart as a scenic reserve, and is now subject to the provisions of the Scenery Preservation Act, 1908 : And whereas it is desirable that the said lands should be set apart for national-park purposes under and subject to the provisions of Part I of the Public Reserves,  
35 Domains, and National Parks Act, 1928 : Be it therefore enacted as follows :—

Cancelling the reservation over provisional State forest and scenic reserve areas in Southland Land District, and setting the same apart for national-park purposes.

(1) The reservation for provisional State forest purposes over the land firstly hereinafter described, and the reservation for scenic purposes over the land secondly  
40 hereinafter described, is hereby cancelled, and the said lands are hereby set apart for national-park purposes under and subject to the provisions of Part I of the Public Reserves, Domains, and National Parks Act, 1928,

and are hereby declared to form part of the Sounds National Park.

(2) The lands to which this section relates are particularly described as follows:—

Firstly, all that area in the Southland Land District containing by estimation one thousand nine hundred acres, more or less, being part of Run 441, Manapouri Survey District, and being provisional State forest No. 23 as described in Proclamation published in the *Gazette* of the eighth day of May, nineteen hundred and nineteen. As the same is more particularly delineated on plan marked L. and S. X/101/23, deposited in the Head Office, Department of Lands and Survey, at Wellington, and thereon bordered red. 5 10

Secondly, all that area in the Southland Land District, containing one hundred and sixty acres, more or less, being Section 3, Block II, and Section 2, Block IV, Manapouri Survey District, and being part of the Horseshoe Bend (Waiiau River) Scenic Reserve, as described in Proclamation published in the *Gazette* of the fifteenth day of February, nineteen hundred and twelve. As the same is more particularly delineated on plan marked L. and S. X/101/23A, deposited in the Head Office, Department of Lands and Survey, at Wellington, and thereon coloured red. 15 20 25

Limiting powers of Egmont Agricultural and Pastoral Association to mortgage its property.

18. Whereas the Egmont Agricultural and Pastoral Association (hereinafter in this section referred to as the association) is the registered proprietor, *inter alia*, of the land hereinafter described: And whereas the sole mortgage encumbrance on the said land securing the sum of ten thousand pounds has been reduced to the sum of one thousand five hundred pounds by public subscription and by concessions made by the mortgagee in order that the said land may be preserved as show-grounds for the residents of South Taranaki: And whereas it is desirable that the said land shall not hereafter be mortgaged or pledged by the association as security for any further sum or sums whatsoever: Be it therefore enacted as follows:— 30 35

(1) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in the Agricultural and Pastoral Societies Act, 1908, the association shall not have power to mortgage or pledge the land hereinafter described for any purpose whatsoever other 40

than for the purpose of refinancing the existing mortgage for one thousand five hundred pounds over the said land.

(2) The land the property of the association to which this section relates is particularly described as follows:—

All that area in the Taranaki Land District, containing fifty-two acres two roods twenty-eight perches, more or less, being Section 153, Block V, Hawera Survey District, and being all the land comprised in certificate of title, Volume 99, folio 250, Taranaki Registry.

Also all that area in the Taranaki Land District, containing thirty-three and one-tenth perches, more or less, being Allotment 1, part of Subdivision 80, part Section 182, Patea District, Block V, Hawera Survey District, and being all the land comprised in certificate of title, Volume 38, folio 116, Taranaki Registry.

Also all that area in the Taranaki Land District, containing nineteen and five-tenths perches, more or less, being part Allotment 83 on deposited plan 79, part Section 182, Patea District, Block V, Hawera Survey District, and being all the land comprised in certificate of title, Volume 21, folio 20, Taranaki Registry.

Also all that area in the Taranaki Land District, containing eight and eight-tenths perches, more or less, being Allotment 1 of Subdivision 84, part Section 182, Patea District, Block V, Hawera Survey District, and being all the land comprised in certificate of title, Volume 36, folio 247, Taranaki Registry.

19. Whereas the land described in subsection *five* hereof is vested in His Majesty, but is subject to a renewable lease for a period of thirty-three years from the first day of January, nineteen hundred and twenty-five, and such lease is now held by Richard Stevens Webb, of Blenheim, farmer: And whereas the capital value of the land as set forth in the said lease is three thousand two hundred pounds, which amount includes the sum of one thousand one hundred pounds, being the value, as stated in the second schedule to such lease, of the buildings on the said land: And whereas the house on the said land has been destroyed by fire, and insurance-moneys amounting to eight hundred pounds have been paid to the Deposit Account of the Receiver of Land Révenue at Blenheim: And whereas the lessee proposes to erect a new house at a cost of five hundred and fifty pounds, and also to rebuild at a cost of fifty pounds certain farm buildings

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requiring renewal: And whereas it is desirable that the cost of such rebuilding operations shall be met out of the insurance-moneys hereinbefore referred to, and that in future the value of such buildings, together with the value of certain other building improvements now existing on the said land, shall not be included in the capital value of the land, but shall be repaid in the manner provided by section sixty-one of the Land for Settlements Act, 1925: And whereas for the better carrying-out of the hereinbefore-mentioned proposals it is expedient that the Marlborough Land Board should be empowered to accept a surrender of the existing lease over the land, and to grant in substitution therefor a new lease for the balance of the term created thereby: Be it therefore enacted as follows:—

(1) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in any Act, the Marlborough Land Board is hereby empowered to accept the surrender of the lease hereinbefore referred to, and to issue in substitution therefor a new lease for the balance of the term of thirty-three years from the first day of January, nineteen hundred and twenty-five, subject to the same terms and conditions as are incorporated in the said existing lease modified as follows:—

(a) For the purposes of such new lease the capital value of the land described in subsection *five* hereof shall be two thousand one hundred pounds, and the annual rental payable shall be one hundred and five pounds.

(b) Such new lease shall contain a condition for the repayment by the lessee of the sum of six hundred and fifty pounds (the value of building improvements) by half-yearly instalments, and the provisions of section sixty-one of the Land for Settlements Act, 1925, shall apply in all respects to such repayment.

(c) The second schedule to the existing lease shall be incorporated in such new lease only so far as concerns the various items set forth in such schedule relating to improvements other than buildings.

(2) Without further authority than this subsection, and notwithstanding anything to the contrary in any Act, the new lease granted in pursuance of the *last preceding*

subsection may be registered under the Land Transfer Act, 1915, and when so registered shall form a folium of the register-book in the Office of the District Land Registrar at Blenheim. Such new lease shall be deemed  
 5 to be subject to all existing encumbrances, liens, and interests (if any) registered against the surrendered lease at the date of surrender, and the provisions of paragraph (c) of section ninety-six of the Land Act, 1924, shall, with the necessary modifications, apply  
 10 thereto.

(3) The sum of eight hundred pounds, being the proceeds of insurance policy Number 16195359 at present in the Deposit Account of the Receiver of Land Revenue at Blenheim, shall, on the passing of this Act, be paid  
 15 into the Land for Settlements Account.

(4) There shall be paid out of the Land for Settlements Account, without further appropriation than this section, the cost of replacing the house destroyed by fire and of rebuilding the farm buildings hereinbefore referred  
 20 to: Provided that such payment shall not exceed the sum of six hundred pounds.

(5) The land comprised in the said existing renewable lease and over which a new lease is to be issued as aforesaid is particularly described as follows:—

25 All that area in the Marlborough Land District, containing by admeasurement one hundred and eighty acres three roods thirteen perches, situated in Omaka Settlement, Taylor Pass Survey District, being Sections 1 of 4 and 1 of 5, Block I, on the plan of the said  
 30 district, and being all the land comprised in renewable lease Number 133, registered in the District Land Registry at Blenheim under Volume 26, folio 250.

20. Whereas by Warrant published in the *Gazette* of the tenth day of July, eighteen hundred and eighty-four,  
 35 Section 78, Block III, Tahoraite Survey District, Hawke's Bay Land District, containing four acres two roods ten perches, was reserved for police purposes: And whereas it is desired to lease a portion of the said land to the Dannevirke Rugby Football Sub-union, Incorporated, as  
 40 an extension to the football-grounds of that body: Be it therefore enacted as follows:—

Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in the Public Reserves, Domains, and National Parks Act, 1928, the Governor-General may grant to the Dannevirke Rugby

Authorizing  
 grant of lease  
 to Dannevirke  
 Rugby Football  
 Sub-union of  
 part of  
 Section 78,  
 Block III,  
 Tahoraite  
 Survey District.



Football Sub-union, Incorporated, a lease over an area of approximately one acre three roods fourteen perches of the police reserve hereinbefore referred to (the said area being situated adjoining the existing property of the said sub-union) for any term not exceeding twenty-one years, and upon such terms and conditions as he thinks fit to impose. 5

Section 12 of Reserves and other Lands Disposal Act, 1932-33, amended.

**21.** Subsection two of section twelve of the Reserves and other Lands Disposal Act, 1932-33, is hereby amended by omitting the words "nineteen hundred and thirty-four", and substituting the words "nineteen hundred and thirty-five". 10

Section 13 of Reserves and other Lands Disposal Act, 1932-33, amended.

**22.** Section thirteen of the Reserves and other Lands Disposal Act, 1932-33, is hereby amended as follows:—

(a) By inserting, as from the passing of that Act, after the words "two hundred and sixteen", the words "and section two hundred and forty-six": 15

(b) By omitting the words "nineteen hundred and thirty-four", and substituting the words "nineteen hundred and thirty-five". 20

Section 3 of Land Laws Amendment Act, 1931, extended.

**23.** (1) Subsection one of section three of the Land Laws Amendment Act, 1931, is hereby amended by omitting the words "nineteen hundred and thirty-four", and substituting the words "nineteen hundred and thirty-six". 25

(2) The said section three shall apply and be deemed always to have applied to any lease, the term of which has already been extended under that section or under the corresponding provisions of any former Land Act. 30

Amending section 4 of the Land Laws Amendment Act, 1931.

**24.** (1) Section four of the Land Laws Amendment Act, 1931, is hereby amended as follows:—

(a) By omitting from subsection one the words "thirty-first day of December, nineteen hundred and thirty-three", and substituting the words "the first day of January, nineteen hundred and thirty-six". 35

(b) By omitting from subsection two the words "before the passing of this Act" and the word "original". 40

(2) The said section four shall apply and be deemed always to have applied to any license, the term of which has already been extended under that section or under the corresponding provisions of any former Land Act.

25. Section one hundred and nineteen of the Reserves and other Lands Disposal and Public Bodies Empowering Act, 1921-22, is hereby amended by repealing subsections two, three, and four thereof, and substituting the following :—

Amending section 119 of the Reserves and other Lands Disposal and Public Bodies Empowering Act, 1921-22.

“ (2) Whenever the said education reserve, or portion or portions of it, are offered for selection under any statutory authority the then value of the aforesaid improvements, or so much of them as are situated on the portion or portions offered, shall be recovered, either by the lessee paying the amount in cash or executing a mortgage in favour of His Majesty for payment over such period and at such rate of interest and subject to such covenants and conditions as the North Auckland Land Board determines.”

26. Whereas the land hereinafter described forms portion of a scenic reserve set apart by Proclamations published in the *Gazette* on the fourth day of August, nineteen hundred and ten, and the thirteenth day of July, nineteen hundred and eleven, respectively, and such land is now subject to the provisions of the Scenery Preservation Act, 1908: And whereas the bush on portion of the said land has been destroyed by fire, and there is a danger of further destruction taking place owing to the configuration of the country and the proximity of portion of the said land to the North Island Main Trunk Railway: And whereas under the circumstances it is expedient to provide authority for the cancellation of the reservation over the said land in order that the timber thereon may be utilized for milling purposes: Be it therefore enacted as follows :—

Authorizing cancellation of reservation over portion of Rongokaupo Hill Scenic Reserve in Block IV, Makotuku Survey District.

(1) The Governor-General may by Proclamation cancel the reservation for scenic purposes over the land hereinafter described, and by the same or a subsequent Proclamation may declare the said land to be Crown land available for disposal under the provisions of the Land Act, 1924.

(2) The land to which this section relates is particularly described as follows :—

All that area in the Wellington Land District, containing by admeasurement three hundred and ninety-four acres two roods twenty perches, more or less,

being parts of Sections 1, 2, and 4, Block IV, Makotuku Survey District: Bounded towards the north-east by a line bearing  $151^{\circ} 8' 22''$  from the easternmost corner of Section 7, Block XVI, Manganui Survey District, for a distance of 4099 links, to the north-western angle peg of traverse peg XXVI on the Waimarino-Ohakune Road; towards the east by the western side of the said road to its intersection with the right bank of the Taonui Stream; towards the south-east by the said stream to its intersection with the north-eastern side of the old Ohakune-Horopito Road; towards the south-west by the said road and the eastern side of the North Island Main Trunk Railway line to the intersection of the said railway line with the south-eastern boundary of the Horopito Township Reserve in Block XVI, Manganui Survey District; and towards the north-west by the south-eastern boundaries of the said reserve and of Section 7, Block XVI, Manganui Survey District, to the easternmost corner of the said Section 7, the place of commencement: as the same is more particularly delineated on the plan marked L. and S. 4/183, deposited in the Head Office, Department of Lands and Survey, at Wellington, and thereon bordered red.