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

Legislative Council, 14th September, 1881.

Hon. Mr. Whitaker.

SUPREME COURT PRACTICE AND PROCEDURE AMENDMENT.

ANALYSIS.

Title. 1. Short Title.

2. Registrar may act for Judge of judicial district where no resident Judge.

3. Registrar may sit at Chambers. Schedule.

A BILL INTITULED

An Act to amend the Law relating to the Practice and Procedure Title. of the Supreme Court of New Zealand.

BE IT 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 Supreme Court Practice Short Title.

and Procedure Amendment Act, 1881."

2. In every judicial district of the Supreme Court mentioned in Registrar may act the Schedule hereto, not having a Judge of the Supreme Court resident district where no within such district, any Registrar of the said Court for such district, resident Judge. or any part thereof, may act for any Judge of such district, with all the jurisdiction, power, and authority of such Judge, except as herein-10 after mentioned.

3. Every such Registrar shall sit at Chambers for despatch of Registrar may sit at such business as he is authorized to carry out by the provisions of this Act, and, while so sitting, shall have the same power and jurisdiction as a Judge of the Supreme Court at Chambers would have; and any 15 order made by any such Registrar shall be equivalent to and shall have the same force and effect as if the same had been made by a Judge of the said Court for such judicial district sitting at Chambers: Provided that no such Registrar shall have power to make any order of Court, or to commit any person to prison, except pursuant to the provisions 20 of "The Imprisonment for Debt Abolition Act, 1874," or of any Act amending the same.

SCHEDULE.

The Judicial District of Nelson, as constituted under "The Supreme Court

The Judicial District of Westland, as constituted under "The Supreme Court Act, 1860."

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