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ANALYSTS.

Title. Preamble. 1. Short Title. 2. Leases of lands comprised within Hundreds to cease from date of making Proclamation.

A BILL INTITULED

An Act to remove doubts as to the validity of the Title. Proclamation of the Traquhair and Stuart Hundreds, and as to the time at which such Proclamation took effect.

THEREAS by a Proclamation under the hand of His Excellency Sir George Ferguson Bowen, the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, and issued under the Seal of the said Colony, bearing date the fourth day of November one thousand eight hundred and sixty-eight, and published in the Government Gazette of the said Colony, No. 62, on the sixth day of November, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-eight, His Excellency the Governor did proclaim and declare that there should be within the Province of Otago two new Hundreds, to bear and be known by the names or designations of the Traquhair Hundred and the Stuart Hundred respectively; and the boundaries of the said Hundreds respectively did thereby define: And whereas no date was named in the said Proclamation from and after which the pastoral leases then existing over the lands included within the boundaries of the said Hundreds respectively should cease and determine, as provided by the eighty-second section of "The Otago Waste Lands Act, 1866," and in consequence of the omission of such a date doubts have been and are entertained as to the validity of the said Proclamation, and as to whether and when the leases respectively subsisting over the lands comprised within the boundaries of the said

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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 Traquhair and Stuart Short Title. 35 Hundreds Act, 1870."

2. The said Proclamation shall be and shall be deemed and taken to have been valid from the time of the making thereof; and all leases comprised within Hundreds to cease for depasturing purposes current on the day of the date of the said from date of making Proclamation. No. 48—2.

Proclamation, the lands comprised in which leases respectively are included within the boundaries of either of the said Hundreds as defined in the said Proclamation, shall be deemed and taken to have ceased and determined as to so much of the lands comprised in such leases respectively as are included within the boundaries of either of the Hundreds from and after the day of the date of the said Proclamation, as fully and effectually to all intents and purposes as if the date of the said Proclamation had been expressly named therein as the day upon which such leases respectively should cease and determine: Pro-