



OTAGO GOLD DUTY RE-PAYMENT ORDINANCE 1874.

IN THE THIRTY-SEVENTH YEAR OF THE REIGN OF HER MAJESTY
QUEEN VICTORIA.

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An Ordinance to provide for the Repayment to Gold Title.
Miners Bankers and others of a certain portion of the
Gold Duty now levied under the authority of the
General Assembly of New Zealand.

[15th June, 1874.]

WHEREAS it has been found that the Duties levied on the Gold ex- Preamble.
ported from the Colony under and in pursuance of the "Gold
Duties Act 1870" and the "Gold Duties Act 1872" are a burden to the
gold miners: And whereas it is expedient for the better encouragement of
the gold-mining industry in this Province that a certain portion of the
gold duty should be repaid to those exporting gold the produce of the
Province of Otago and paying duty thereon in the Province of Otago:

BE IT THEREFORE ENACTED by the Superintendent of the Province of
Otago by and with the advice and consent of the Provincial Council
thereof as follows:—

1. This Ordinance shall be termed and for all purposes be cited and Short Title.
referred to as the "Otago Gold Duty Re-payment Ordinance 1874."

2. Out of the revenues of the Province of Otago there may be issued Appropriation.
and applied during the period that shall elapse between the 1st day of
August 1874 and the 31st day of March 1875 any sum or sums not exceeding
the sum of five thousand pounds for repaying at the rate of sixpence per
ounce to the person or persons who shall export gold from the Province of
Otago the produce of the Province of Otago and pay duty thereon at any
port or ports in the said Province of Otago.

Receipt evidence.

3. The production to the Superintendent of a receipt which purports to be a receipt for duty having been paid on gold under the "Gold Duties Act 1870" and the "Gold Duties Act 1872" on gold exported from this Province shall be sufficient evidence to the Superintendent of the payment of such duty.

Provision for continuing payments to 31st May, 1875.

4. If in the opinion of the Superintendent the interests of the Public Service of the said Province will be promoted by not convening a Session of the Provincial Council until after the thirty-first day of March one thousand eight hundred and seventy-five there may be issued and applied out of the revenues of the said Province any sum or sums of money for the purpose of repaying the gold duty as provided in this Ordinance during a period of not exceeding two months from the said thirty-first day of March one thousand eight hundred and seventy-five not exceeding in the whole such sum or sums respectively as shall be in proportion for such period of two months to the sum or sums appropriated for the like repayments during the twelve months ending on the thirty-first day of March aforesaid.

Treasurer, &c., to pay money under warrant of the Superintendent and to be allowed credit for all moneys so paid.

5. The Provincial Treasurer or other person having the custody or control of the Public Funds of the Province shall issue and pay from time to time any sum or sums of money for the purposes herein mentioned not exceeding in the whole the sum respectively hereinbefore specified to such person and in such proportions as the Superintendent for the time being shall by warrant under his hand directed to the Provincial Treasurer or such other person as aforesaid and certified by the Auditor or Deputy-Auditor in terms of the "Provincial Audit Act 1866" or any other Act for the time being in force regulating the audit of Public Accounts in the Province of Otago from time to time direct and such Treasurer or other person having the custody or control of the Public Funds of the Province shall in his accounts be allowed credit for all sums paid by him in pursuance of such warrants and the receipts of the persons to whom such sums shall have been paid shall be to him a full and valid discharge for the sum or sums for which such receipts shall have been given and the amount thereof shall be passed to his credit in account accordingly.

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