



PROVINCIAL COUNCIL ORDINANCE, 1856.

IN THE NINETEENTH YEAR OF THE REIGN OF HER MAJESTY
QUEEN VICTORIA.

No. 9.

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ORDINANCE *to repeal the Ordinance Session 2, No. 1, and more effectually to* Title.
Regulate the Elections of Superintendent and Members of the Provincial
Council.

WHEREAS an Ordinance, entitled "An Ordinance to increase the num- Preamble.
ber of Members of the Provincial Council, and also the number of
Electoral Districts and Polling Places, and to provide for making up a new
Electoral Roll," was passed by the Superintendent of the Province of Otago,
with the advice and consent of the Provincial Council thereof, Session 2,
No. 1: AND WHEREAS the said recited Ordinance is in some respects defective
and erroneous, and its enactments were mostly of a temporary nature, and
their object has been accomplished, and the Ordinance should be repealed,
and various matters relating to the elections of the Superintendent and Mem-
bers of the Provincial Council should be regulated as hereinafter enacted:

BE IT THEREFORE ENACTED by the Superintendent of the Province of

Otago, with the advice and consent of the Provincial Council thereof as follows :—

Repeal of Ordinance, Session 2, No. 1.

1. The before recited Ordinance shall be, and the same is hereby, repealed; provided always that the Electoral Roll now in force shall be in no way affected by said repeal, but shall remain in force until the completion of the next Electoral Roll of persons entitled to vote in the elections of Superintendent and Members of the Provincial Council of Otago.

Number of Members of Provincial Council.

2. The Provincial Council of the Province of Otago shall consist of Nineteen Members.

Number and description of Electoral districts.

3. The said Province, for the purposes of the election of the Superintendent and of the Members of the Provincial Council thereof, shall be divided into Eight Electoral Districts, to be named as follows, viz. :—

1. The Town of Dunedin District.
2. The Town of Port Chalmers District.
3. The Eastern District.
4. The Western District.
5. The Central District.
6. The Tokomairiro District.
7. The Southern District.
8. The Northern District.

The boundaries of the said several Districts being particularly set forth and described in the schedule and delineated in the map or plan hereunto annexed.

Number of Members for each district.

4. The number of Members to be elected to serve in the Provincial Council for the said several Districts shall be as follows, viz. :—

1. For the Town of Dunedin District..... Five Members.
2. For the Town of Port Chalmers District..... One Member.
3. For the Eastern District..... Three Members.
4. For the Western District..... Three Members.
5. For the Central District..... Three Members.
6. For the Tokomairiro District..... One Member.
7. For the Southern District Two Members.
8. For the Northern District..... One Member.

Members entitled to vote in district for which they are registered.

5. Every person duly registered as an Elector in any one or more of the Electoral Districts aforesaid shall be entitled to vote at the election of the Superintendent of the Province, and also at the election of a Member or Members of the Provincial Council, for the district or districts for which he shall be so registered.

Claims to vote in elections of Superintendent and Members of Provincial Council—where to be delivered.

6. Every person claiming a right to vote for the election of the Superintendent, or the Members of the Provincial Council in the several electoral districts hereinbefore specified, shall deliver his claim, or cause the same to be delivered, at the Resident Magistrate's office at Dunedin, or at such other place or places as the Resident Magistrate may by public notice direct and appoint.

Polling-places.

7. The Polling-places for the said districts for the election of Superintendent, and of the Members of the Provincial Council for such districts, shall be at some convenient place in each of the said several districts to be specified by the Returning Officer.

Additional polling places.

8. If additional Polling-places are found necessary for any of the said several districts, they shall be at such places as the Governor or the Superintendent may from time to time by public notice appoint.

9. The proclamation of the Governor, dated the fifth day of March, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-three, issued in pursuance of the Act of the Imperial Parliament passed in the fifteenth and sixteenth years of the reign of Her Majesty Queen Victoria, chapter 72, shall remain and be in force within the Province of Otago, in so far only as the same is not repugnant to the provisions herein contained.

Governor's proclamation of 5th March 1853, to be in force in so far as not repugnant to this Ordinance.

10. No person holding the office of Resident Magistrate of the Province, or of any part thereof, or the office of Returning Officer in the election of Superintendent or of Members of the Provincial Council, is or shall be capable, while he holds both or either of said offices, of being elected Superintendent or a Member of the Provincial Council of the Province.

Resident Magistrate and Returning Officer in Elections not to be eligible as a Member of the Provincial Council.

11. This Ordinance shall be termed, and may be cited and referred to, as the "Provincial Council Ordinance," 1856.

Short Title.

Passed the Provincial Council this 17th day of March, 1856.

JAMES MACANDREW,
Speaker.

ROBERT CHAPMAN,
Clerk of Council.

Dunedin, 18th March 1856.

I hereby declare that I reserve this Bill for the signification of the Governor's pleasure thereon.

W. CARGILL,
Superintendent.

SCHEDULE.

1. THE TOWN OF DUNEDIN DISTRICT comprises the Town and Town Belt of Dunedin, as delineated on the map of the Otago Settlement.
2. THE TOWN OF PORT CHALMERS DISTRICT comprises the Town and Town Belt of Port Chalmers, as delineated on the map of the Otago Settlement.
3. EASTERN DISTRICT.—North by the Otago Harbour to the Town Belt of Dunedin; thence by the said Town Belt to the road line, forming the northern boundary of suburban sections Nos. 92 and 91, block VI. Town district; thence by the eastern and northern boundaries of section 80 of the same block and district; thence by the western boundary of said section and of sections 77, 78, and 79 of the same block and district to a road line; thence by said road line to section 50 of the last mentioned block and district; thence by a road line forming the north-eastern boundary of section 50 and of section 18 Lower Kaikorai district; thence by the north-western boundary of said section 18, and of sections 19, 20, and 21 of same district; and thence by a right line running through the Trigonometrical Station on Kaikorai Hill to Abbot's Creek.
South by the Ocean.
East by the Ocean.
West by Abbot's Creek to its junction with the Kaikorai River; thence by the Kaikorai River to the Ocean.
4. WESTERN SUBURBAN DISTRICT.—North-west and west by a right line from the north-western head of Purakunui harbour to the Trigonometrical Station on Flagstaff hill; thence by a right line to the north-west corner of suburban section 41, Wakari district; thence by the surveyed lands to the south-west corner of section 155, Wakari district; thence by a right line to Abbot's Creek to the north-west point of the Eastern District.

South-west by the Eastern District.

South and south-east by the Town of Dunedin District to the Harbour of Otago ;
thence by the Harbour to the Town Belt of Port Chalmers ; thence by the
Town Belt again to the Harbour ; and thence to the Harbour.

North-east by the Ocean.

5. CENTRAL DISTRICT.—North-east by the Northern District.

North and north-west by the Ocean and the Province of Canterbury.

South-west by the Taieri River from its mouth to its junction with the Waiholā
River ; thence by the Waiholā River and its northernmost arm or branch to
the north-east corner of rural allotment No. 6, block XVI., Waiholā district ;
thence by a right line to Milford Haven.

South-east and east by the Ocean to the mouth of the Kaikorai River ; thence
by the Kaikorai River to its junction with Abbot's Creek ; thence by Abbot's
Creek to the north-west point of the Eastern District ; thence by a right line
to the south-west corner of suburban allotment 155, Wakari district ; thence
by the surveyed lands to the north-west corner of section 41, Wakari ; thence
by a right line to the Trigonometrical Station on Flagstaff hill (Wakari.)

6. TOKOMAIRIRO DISTRICT.—North-east by the Central District.

North-west by the Ocean.

South-west by the river Clutha (Matau branch), from its mouth to where the
Kaihiku stream or river flows into it ; thence by a right line to Charles's
Harbour on the west coast.

South-east by the Ocean.

7. SOUTHERN DISTRICT.—North-east by the Tokomairiro District.

North-west and west by the sea-coast.

South by the sea-coast.

East by the sea-coast.

8. NORTHERN DISTRICT.—North by the Canterbury Province.

South by the Western District.

East by the Ocean.

West and south-west by a right line running in a north north-westerly direction
from the Trigonometrical station on Flagstaff hill to the boundary of the
Province.

W. CARGILL,

Superintendent.

I HEREBY DECLARE that I assent to this Ordinance.

Given under my hand at Auckland this twenty-seventh day
of May, in the year of our Lord One thousand eight
hundred and fifty-six.

THOMAS GORE BROWNE,

Governor.