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THE MINERS' PROVINCIAL REPRESENTATION ORDINANCE, 1862.

IN THE TWENTY-SIXTH YEAR OF THE REIGN OF HER MAJESTY
QUEEN VICTORIA.

SESSION XVI., No. 92.

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AN ORDINANCE to constitute the Gold Fields within the Province of Otago an Electoral District for the purpose of returning Members of the Provincial Council.

WHEREAS it is enacted by the first section of the Ordinance passed by the Superintendent and Provincial Council of Otago intituled "The Provincial Council Ordinance 1861" that the Tuapeka Gold Field shall be an Electoral District of the said Province to be called the "Tuapeka Electoral District" and that at every election after the said Ordinance should come into operation the said District should return Two Members to serve in the Provincial Council of the said Province and that the boundaries of the said Province should be those set forth in a Schedule appended to the said Ordinance: And whereas by an Act passed by the General Assembly of New Zealand intituled "The Miners' Representation Act 1862" it is among other things enacted that every man of the age of twenty-one years or upwards and not being disqualified under clause 8 of the Constitution Act and being the lawful holder of a Miner's Right and who shall have resided in the Province in which such Miner's Right has been issued and held a Miner's Right or Rights for not less than six months consecutively and

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immediately preceding the first day of October in any year shall be entitled to vote during the year from the said first day of October to the succeeding thirtieth day of September at all elections of such Gold Fields Members of the Provincial Council of the Province in which such Miner's Right shall have been issued as shall be provided by any Ordinance of the Provincial Council of such Province: And whereas it is expedient that the before recited enactment in the said Provincial Council Ordinance 1861 contained should be repealed and other provision made instead thereof:—

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

Section 1 of Provincial Council Ordinance 1861 repealed.

1. The first section of the before recited Provincial Council Ordinance 1861 shall be and the same is hereby repealed.

The Gold Fields to be an Electoral District.

2. The Gold Fields of the Province of Otago shall be an Electoral District of the said Province for the purpose of this Ordinance and shall be called "The Gold Fields Electoral District."

And to return three Members to the Provincial Council.

3. At every future election of Members of the Provincial Council of the said Province the said Gold Fields Electoral District shall return three Members of such Provincial Council who shall be elected at every such election by the persons possessing the qualification set forth in "The Miners' Representation Act 1862" before recited.

On the passing of this Ordinance Superintendent to issue writs for the Election of the Gold Fields' Members.

4 It shall be lawful for the Superintendent of the said Province as soon as conveniently may be after the passing of this Ordinance to issue writs returnable to him for the election of the said number of Members of the Provincial Council for the said Gold Fields Electoral District.

Short Title

5. This Ordinance shall be termed and may be cited and referred to as "The Miners' Provincial Representation Ordinance 1862."

Passed the Provincial Council this nineteenth day of December one thousand eight hundred and sixty-two.

CHARLES SMITH,
Clerk of Council.

ALEX. RENNIE,
Speaker.

Dunedin, December 23rd, 1862.—I hereby declare that I reserve this Bill for the signification of the Governor's pleasure thereon.

J. L. C. RICHARDSON,
Superintendent of the Province of Otago.