



THE
WESTLAND TOLL - GATE
ORDINANCE 1875.

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AN ORDINANCE TO PROVIDE FOR THE ERECTION OF TOLL GATES AND Title.
THE IMPOSITION OF TOLLS ON THE MAIN ROADS IN THE PRO-
VINCE OF WESTLAND.

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WHEREAS by "the County of Westland Act 1868" provision Preamble
was made for erecting and maintaining toll-bars toll-gates toll-
houses and ferry-houses upon certain roads bridges and ferries and for

enforcing the payment of tolls upon or at such roads bridges or ferries And whereas it is expedient that other provisions should be made in lieu thereof:

BE IT THEREFORE ENACTED by the Superintendent of the Province of Westland by and with the advice and consent of the Provincial Council thereof as follows.

- Short Title. 1. The Short title of this Ordinance shall be "The Westland Toll-Gate Ordinance 1875".
- Repeal of certain sections. 2. The sections of "The County of Westland Act 1868" numbered from one hundred and twenty eight to one hundred and thirty five both inclusive are hereby repealed.
- Superintendent and Executive may erect toll gates and levy tolls. 3. It shall be lawful for the Superintendent with the advice of the Executive Council from time to time to erect toll-gates or bars and toll-houses upon any road or roads which the Superintendent with the advice as aforesaid may declare to be main roads by proclamation in the Provincial Government *Gazette* at such places as may to him seem convenient and such toll-gates or bars and houses to remove whenever he may think fit so to do and to impose the several tolls upon all animals and vehicles at the rates set forth in the first Schedule to this Ordinance and to appoint such collectors of tolls as may be deemed necessary Provided that the tolls mentioned in the second Schedule to this Ordinance shall be imposed in respect of any toll-gate or bar which now is or hereafter may be erected on the road leading from the mouth of the Arahura River to Christchurch Provided also that all police constables and other Government officers on duty and prisoners and all horses and vehicles carrying Her Majesty's mails and persons in charge thereof and all ministers of religion shall be exempt from tolls.
- Table of tolls to be put up. 4. Before any toll shall be demanded at any tollgate or bar to be erected as aforesaid a table painted in legible black letters on a board with a white ground containing at the top the name of the gate or bar and distinguishing the several tolls payable thereat together with the name of the toll-collector shall be put up and maintained at such gate or bar.
- Leasing of tolls. 5. It shall be lawful for the Superintendent with the advice of the Executive Council from time to time to farm out or lease for any term not exceeding one year all or any of the tolls authorised to be collected by this Ordinance together with any toll-gate toll-bar or toll-house such farming out or leasing to be by public auction duly advertised for at least one week in some newspaper or newspapers generally circulating in the Province and such security shall be taken by the Superintendent as he shall think fit for the due performance of the conditions of the lease of any tolls and any person to whom such tolls may be leased shall for the purposes of this Ordinance be deemed to

be a Collector thereof duly appointed hereunder Provided that previously to so letting out such tolls the maximum rate of toll which shall be demanded shall be fixed in accordance with the Schedules to this Ordinance.

6. All monies received for tolls or for or on account of the leasing of tolls shall be paid into the Provincial account of the Province of Westland. Tolls to be paid into Provincial Account.

7. Every toll-collector appointed under the authority of this Ordinance who shall take more toll than authorised as aforesaid or who shall refuse to give his name to any person demanding the same after having paid the toll or who shall in anywise hinder any person from reading the inscriptions on such aforesaid table or who shall unnecessarily detain or wilfully obstruct or hinder any passenger from passing through any toll-gate or bar or who shall use any abusive language to any traveller or passenger shall for every such offence forfeit and pay any sum not exceeding five pounds. Overcharge or misbehavior of toll-collectors.

8. Any person forcing his way through any toll-gate or bar or evading the payment of any toll for passing through or fraudulently claiming exemption from toll shall forfeit and pay for every such offence any sum not exceeding five pounds. Toll misdemeanors.

THE FIRST SCHEDULE.

SCALE OF TOLLS.

	s.	d.
1. For every horse, ass, or mule	1	0
2. For every beast carrying a burden	1	0
3. For all horned or neat cattle, per head	0	6
4. For every sheep, lamb, goat or pig	0	2
5. For every vehicle drawn by one horse or other beast	1	6
6. For each additional horse or beast	1	0

All carts carrying manure only free.

THE SECOND SCHEDULE.

SCALE OF TOLLS CHRISTCHURCH ROAD

	s.	d.
1. For every horse, ass, or mule with or without burden. ...	2	6
2. For all horned or neat cattle, per head	5	0
3. For every sheep, lamb, goat or pig.	0	3
4. For every vehicle drawn by one horse or other beast. ...	4	0
5. For each additional horse or beast.	1	0
All carts carrying manure only free.		