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No. 222.

An Act to enable the Commissioner of Railways to erect a Bridge over North-terrace and across the Adelaide City and Port Railway at Morphett-street crossing, in the City of Adelaide, and for other purposes.

*[Assented to, November 18th, 1881.]*

**W**HEREAS the construction of a bridge over North-terrace and Preamble.  
across the Adelaide City and Port Railway at the northern end or termination of Morphett-street, in the City of Adelaide, would be of great benefit to the inhabitants of the said city, and to the community at large: And whereas in order to construct the said bridge it will be necessary to use portion of the said street, called Morphett-street, at its northern end: And whereas it has been found necessary for public purposes, that the level of a portion of the public street called North-terrace should be altered, and a retaining wall erected, and such alteration has been made accordingly: And whereas it is expedient that the said alteration should be validated and its continuance lawfully authorised: And whereas a plan showing the position of the said bridge, and the roads and streets, and also the portion of the streets the level of which has been altered, signed "H. C. Mais, Engineer-in-Chief, 10/8/81," together with a book of reference, has been deposited in the office of the Surveyor-General, at Adelaide—Be it therefore Enacted by the Governor of the Province of South Australia, with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and House of Assembly of the said Province, in this present Parliament assembled, as follows:

1. Notwithstanding anything contained in section 1 of the Act Power to erect bridge, piers, and other works.  
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No. 126 of 1878, intituled "An Act to authorise the Commissioner of Railways to take possession of portion of the Adelaide Park Lands, and for other purposes," the Commissioner of Railways, hereinafter called "the said Commissioner," is hereby authorised and empowered to make, erect, and construct, out of any moneys which have been or hereafter may be voted by Parliament for such purpose, a good and substantial bridge over North-terrace and across the Adelaide City and Port Railway at the northern end or termination of Morphett-street in a line with the bridge over the River Torrens known as the Victoria Bridge, and may form and make all necessary embankments, roads, ways, approaches, piers, buildings, works, and conveniences for the completion of the said works.

**Power to use streets**

2. The said Commissioner may enter upon and use the roads or streets in the said city called Morphett-street and North-terrace, and the road leading to the said Victoria Bridge, as delineated and referred to in the said plan, showing the line of the said bridge and works in connection therewith, signed "H. C. Mais, Engineer-in-Chief, 10/8/81," and deposited in the office of the Surveyor-General, at Adelaide as aforesaid, or so much thereof as shall be or be deemed necessary, and may make and maintain upon the said streets, the bridge and approaches the gradients whereof are shown upon the said plan, and all embankments, erections, works, and conveniences aforesaid connected therewith as shall be or be deemed necessary for such purposes or any of them.

**Surveyor-General to receive plans, and allow inspection.**

3. The Surveyor-General shall keep the said plan and book of reference and all other documents deposited with him for the purposes of this Act, and shall allow all persons interested to inspect and copy any of the documents aforesaid.

**Bridge to be placed under control of City Corporation.**

4. Upon the completion of the said bridge and works authorised by this Act, the said Commissioner shall place the said bridge and works aforesaid under the care, control, and management of the said Corporation of the City of Adelaide, and thereupon the said Commissioner's liability to keep and maintain the said bridge shall cease and determine.

**Exemption from rates and taxes.**

5. The bridge and works by this Act authorised to be constructed shall be, and the same is hereby declared to be, exempt from all and all manner of rates and taxes whatsoever, local or otherwise.

**Exemption from liability to actions.**

6. The Commissioner of Railways and all persons concerned therein are hereby released from all causes of action or liabilities incurred by him or them, by reason of the alteration by him or them of the level of that portion of the public road or street known as North-terrace, shown on the said plan, and the erection of the said wall, and the said Commissioner is hereby authorised to keep and continue the said portion of the said street at the same or any other level which may seem to him from time to time expedient; and to erect

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erect or complete the erection of, and from time to time to repair and renew, any retaining walls that may be necessary in consequence of the alteration of the said level: Provided always, that except as aforesaid, the said portion of the said public road or street shall only be used for the purposes of, or in connection with the said bridge, or for traffic purposes, and no buildings or other erections shall be placed thereon.

7. This Act may be cited for all purposes as “The Morphett-Short title.  
street Bridge Act.”

In the name and on behalf of Her Majesty, I hereby assent to  
this Bill.

WM. F. DRUMMOND JERVOIS, Governor.