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No. 1313.

Act providing for the Reduction during Three Years of the Salaries of certain Public Officers. [11th September, 1893.]

E it enacted by the Queen's Most Excellent Majesty by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and the Legislative Assembly of Victoria in this present Parliament assembled and by the authority of the same as follows (that is to say):-

1. This Act may be cited as the Public Service Retrenchment Act Short title com-1893, and shall be deemed and taken to have come into operation on the first day of July One thousand eight hundred and ninety-three, and shall continue in force until the thirtieth day of June One thousand eight hundred and ninety-six.

2. In this Act unless the context otherwise requires—

Interpretation.

- (1) The word "officer" includes—
 - (a) All officers and persons (not within the operation of the Special and other Appropriations Retrenchment Act 1893) who are subject to the provisions of the Public Service Act 1890 or any Act amending the same or the Railways Acts;
 - (b) The Naval and Military Forces of Victoria;
 - (c) All officers and members of the Police Force; and

(d) All

- (d) All officers and persons whomsoever (not hereinbefore in this section referred to or not within the operation of the Special and other Appropriations Retrenchment Act 1893) whose pay is provided for in any annual Appropriation Act for any financial year within the period ending on the thirtieth day of June One thousand eight hundred and ninety-six.
- (2) "Pay" includes annual salary or wages and any annual allowance or emolument for the discharge of duties other than those for which an officer's chief or principal salary is paid, and payments to teachers by way of results or bonuses, but does not include payments in the nature of allowances for travelling or other expenses, and means the total amount from all sources to which any officer is entitled.

Pay limited to rate in Appropriation Act whether set out separately or otherwise.

3. Notwithstanding anything contained in any Act or any regulation or Order in Council under any Act the pay for any financial year to which this Act applies of any officer shall not exceed the rate voted by Parliament for such year for the office or position held by such officer whether in the Appropriation Act for such year such pay is specified separately or is included with the pay of two or more officers.

Rateable reduction extended to all officers.
Schedule.

4. Notwithstanding anything contained in the Public Service Act 1890 the reduction set forth in the Schedule to this Act is hereby declared to apply to the pay of every officer whose rate of pay is within the limits specified in such Schedule, and such reduction at the rate specified in such Schedule opposite the rate of pay of such officer shall be made accordingly for the financial year ending on the thirtieth day of June One thousand eight hundred and ninety-four and every financial year to which this Act applies.

Reduction limited to period to which this Act applies.
Schedule.

5. (1) Any reduction made pursuant to this Act or by the operation of any annual Appropriation Act at the rate set forth in the Schedule to this Act shall affect the pay of officers only for each financial year within the period to which this Act applies, and after the expiration of the said period the pay of every such officer shall be paid at such rate as if such reduction had not been made and this Act had not passed.

Relative positions not affected by reduction. (2) No such reduction shall alter or affect any officer's relative position or seniority of any officer in the Public Service.

Rates of pension &c. not affected by reduction.

6. The rate of pension or superannuation or retiring allowance or compensation or gratuity for loss of office or on death to which any officer or his representatives shall at any time hereafter become entitled pursuant to any Act shall not be lessened or diminished in consequence of

of any reduction at the rate specified in the Schedule to this Act having Schedule. been made pursuant to this Act by the operation of any annual Appropriation Act in the pay of the office or position held by such officer during the period to which this Act applies; but such pension superannuation or retiring allowance or compensation or gratuity shall be paid at the same rate as would have been paid if no such reduction of pay had been made.

7. The provisions of this Act shall not apply to any officer Exemption from holding an office or position to fill which he was engaged at or brought from any place outside Victoria under agreement to hold such office for a specified term or at a stated salary.

SCHEDULE.

Sections 4, 5, 6.

RATE OF REDUCTION TO BE MADE IN THE PAY FOR EACH OFFICER OF THE PUBLIC SERVICE FOR THE FINANCIAL YEARS 1893-4, 1894-5, AND 1895-6.

Rate of Pay per Annum.	Rate of Reduction.
Exceeding One hundred pounds and not exceeding One hundred and fifty pounds	Five pounds per centum.
Exceeding One hundred and fifty pounds and not exceeding Two hundred and fifty pounds pounds	Six pounds per centum.
Exceeding Two hundred and fifty pounds and not exceeding Four hundred pounds	Seven pounds per centum.
Exceeding Four hundred pounds and not exceeding Five hundred pounds	Eight pounds per centum.
Exceeding Five hundred pounds and not exceeding Six hundred pounds	Nine pounds per centum.
Exceeding Six hundred pounds and not exceeding Seven hundred pounds	Ten pounds par centum.
Exceeding Seven hundred pounds and not exceeding Eight hundred pounds	Eleven pounds per centum.
Exceeding Eight hundred pounds and not exceeding One thousand pounds	Twelve pounds per centum.
Exceeding One thousand pounds	Fifteen pounds per centum.

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