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An Act to confer certain Powers on certain Public Bodies, and to Title. validate certain Transactions. [11th September, 1926. BE IT ENACTED by the General Assembly of New Zealand in Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:—

1. This Act may be cited as the Local Legislation Act, 1926.

Short Title.

## County Councils.

2. (1.) The Thames County Council is hereby empowered to take or Empowering to acquire by purchase or otherwise for a recreation reserve all or any Thames County Council to acquire of the lands hereinafter described, and to erect thereon such structures or land for recreation improvements as it thinks fit, and for those purposes to raise a special reserves. loan under the Local Bodies' Loans Act, 1913, as if for a public work.

(2.) The lands to which this section relates are particularly described as follows:

Firstly, all those pieces of land situated at Tapu, in the County of Thames, containing together six acres one rood thirty perches, more or less, being the block situated in Block XI of the Hastings Survey District called Waipatukahu 1B 2, as the same is shown on a plan deposited in the office of the Department of Lands and Survey at Auckland under No. 23620.

Secondly, all that piece of land situated at Tapu aforesaid, containing two roods nineteen perches, more or less, being the block situated in Block XI of the Hastings Survey District called Waipatukahu 1B 1, as the same is shown on the plan above referred to.

Thirdly, all that piece of land situated at Tapu aforesaid, containing three acres one rood twenty-five perches, more or less, being the block situated in Block XI of the Hastings Survey District called Waipatukahu No. 1A, as the same is shown on the plan above referred to.

3. Whereas the Awakino County Council, pursuant to a special Validating order duly made on the twenty-sixth day of June, nineteen hundred expenditure by and twenty, raised a loan of five thousand pounds from the Superior Waitomo County and twenty, raised a loan of five thousand pounds from the Superin-Council of certain tendent of the State Advances Office, and pursuant to a special order borrowed for duly made on the twenty-second day of January, nineteen hundred workers' dwellings. and twenty-one, raised a loan of one thousand pounds from the Public Trustee, both loans being for the purpose of erecting workers' dwellings: And whereas on the abolition of the Awakino County and the constitution of a new county known as the Waitomo County by the Waikato and King-country Counties Act, 1921-22, the said loans were transferred to the said Waitomo County Council: And whereas portions of the said loans amounting to the sum of three hundred and thirty pounds three shillings and tenpence were expended in the erection of portable dwellings, and exception has been taken by the Audit Office to such expenditure on the ground that it is not in conformity with the purpose for which the loans were raised: And whereas it is desired to validate such expenditure: Be it therefore enacted as follows:-

The expenditure by the Waitomo County Council in the erection of portable dwellings of any moneys borrowed as hereinbefore recited for the purpose of the erection of workers' dwellings is hereby validated.

Authorizing Waimairi County Council to sell certain land by public auction or by private treaty.

Authorizing
Waitemata
County Council to
raise a loan for
constructing
waterworks, and
constituting the
Waikumete Waterrace District.

4. Whereas by section one hundred and sixty-seven of the Reserves and other Lands Disposal and Public Bodies Empowering Act, 1924, the Waimairi County Council is authorized to sell by public auction certain lands mentioned and described in the said section: And whereas it is desirable to authorize the said Waimairi County Council to sell the said lands or any part thereof by private treaty if it thinks fit: Be it therefore enacted as follows:—

Section one hundred and sixty-seven of the Reserves and other Lands Disposal and Public Bodies Empowering Act, 1924, is hereby amended by inserting in subsection one, after the words "by public auction," the words "or by private contract, or partly by the one and

partly by the other of such modes of sale."

- 5. Whereas the Waitemata County Council, pursuant to a poll held on the twenty-fifth day of November, nineteen hundred and twenty-five, was duly authorized by the ratepayers of the Waikumete Riding of the said county to borrow, inter alia, a sum of one thousand nine hundred and forty pounds for the provision of waterworks in the area hereinafter described: And whereas it was intended to proceed under the powers conferred on the Council by the Water-supply Act, 1908, but steps had not been taken prior to the poll aforesaid to constitute the said area a water-race district under the Water-supply Act, 1908, and there is no authority to raise or apply for the purpose of providing a water-supply in the said area the moneys authorized to be raised by the said poll: And whereas it is desirable to make provision as hereinafter set out: Be it therefore enacted as follows:—
- (1.) On the constitution by the Waitemata County Council, under the provisions of the Water-supply Act, 1908, of the said area, with or without modifications of the boundaries thereof, as a water-race district under that Act the Council may raise and apply in accordance with the determination of the said poll of ratepayers the sum of one thousand nine hundred and forty pounds for the provision of waterworks for the water-race district so constituted, and the loan proposal and the said poll are, in respect of the sum of one thousand nine hundred and forty pounds, hereby validated and declared to have been lawfully made and taken.
- (2.) The area referred to in this section is particularly described as follows:—

All that area in the North Auckland Land District situated in the County of Waitemata and bounded as follows: commencing at a point where the Whau Creek is intersected by the western boundary of New Lynn Town District as described in Gazette, 1910, page 1789; towards the west and south by aforesaid New Lynn Town District to the southern side of Great North Road; thence in a westerly direction along the south side of Great North Road aforesaid to the Glen Eden Town District boundary as described in Gazette, 1921, page 2550; thence towards the south-west by aforesaid Glen Eden Town District to the southernmost corner of Allotment 233, Parish of Waikomiti; thence towards the west by Allotment 233 aforesaid to and across a public road, and by Allotments 235 and 223, all of Parish of Waikomiti, to the Whau Creek; thence towards the north by Whau Creek aforesaid to the point of commencement: as the same is delineated on the plan marked I.A. 19/238/20, and deposited in the office of the Minister of Internal Affairs, at Wellington, and thereon edged red.

- 6. Whereas there is no vehicular road access between the Galatea Empowering Riding of the Whakatane County and any other portion of the said Whakatane County Council to reduce county: And whereas the said Galatea Riding does not benefit by money contribution of spent by the Whakatane County Council on roads in the said county Galatea Riding towards general which are outside the said Galatea Riding: And whereas the amount expenses of county. collected by way of rates in the said Galatea Riding is greatly in excess of the amount expended therein: And whereas it is desirable to authorize the said Whakatane County Council to levy in the said Galatea Riding a general rate to pay for expenditure on by-roads in the Galatea Riding and a reasonable sum towards the general expenses of the county: Be it therefore enacted as follows:—
- (1.) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in the Counties Act, 1920, or any other Act, the action of the Whakatane County Council in reducing by special order the general rate levied by it over the county for the year ending on the thirty-first day of March, nineteen hundred and twenty-seven, to the sum of two pence in the pound on the unimproved value of the rateable property in the Galatea Riding of the county is hereby validated and declared to have been lawfully taken.
- (2.) Of the proceeds of such general rate in the Galatea Riding the said Council may by special order, and notwithstanding anything to the contrary in the Counties Act, 1920, or any other Act, allocate such portion as it thinks fit, but not less than the sum of one hundred pounds, for the purposes set out in paragraphs (a), (b), (c), and (d) of subsection one of section one hundred and thirty-one of the Counties Act, 1920, and the balance, whether received before or after the said thirty-first day of March, nineteen hundred and twenty-seven, for expenditure on works in the said Galatea Riding.
- 7. Whereas the Amuri County Council has raised a loan of four special provision thousand two hundred pounds for the payment of the said Council's with respect to share of the cost of erecting a bridge over the Mason River near Waiau: payment of interest and sinking fund on And whereas in terms of the Local Bodies' Loans Act, 1913, the said loan of £4,200 by Council has pledged as security for the said loan a special rate over a Council. special-rating area known as the Lyndon Area: And whereas it is proposed by the said Council to pay a proportion of the interest and sinking-fund charges in respect of the said loan out of the County Fund of the Amuri County, and the remainder out of the proceeds of the said special rate: Be it therefore enacted as follows:

Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in the Local Bodies' Loans Act, 1913, or in any other Act, the said Council is hereby empowered to pay out of the County Fund of the Amuri County so much of the interest and sinking-fund charges from time to time due on the said loan of four thousand two hundred pounds as it considers equitable, and to reduce the amount to be raised by way of special rate over the

said special-rating area accordingly.

8. Whereas James Gray, formerly of Plimmerton, near Wellington, Empowering Hutt by his last will and testament, dated the nineteenth day of August, County Council to nineteen hundred and twenty-five, and duly admitted to probate by the Plimmerton Bowling, Supreme Court, bequeathed to the Hutt County Council the sum of Croquet, and Tennis Club. five hundred pounds, to be applied by such Council in and towards a bowling, tennis, and croquet ground at Plimmerton in the Hutt County: And whereas at the time of the execution of the said will the Plimmerton Bowling, Croquet, and Tennis Club (Incorporated) was in existence,

and was providing public facilities for bowling, croquet, and tennis at Plimmerton: And whereas it is deemed expedient that the aforesaid sum of five hundred pounds should be expended on extending and completing the grounds of the said club rather than upon the establishment of other bowling, croquet, and tennis grounds: And whereas all parties interested under the said will are desirous of the said sum of five hundred pounds being expended on the work of extending and completing the grounds of the said club, and it appearing that the real intention of the said James Gray was that the said sum of five hundred pounds should be so expended: Be it therefore enacted as follows:—

Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in any Act or in any rule of law, it shall be lawful for the Hutt County Council to pay to the Plimmerton Bowling, Croquet, and Tennis Club (Incorporated) for the purposes aforesaid the said sum of five hundred pounds, and the receipt of the Plimmerton Bowling, Croquet, and Tennis Club (Incorporated) for that sum shall be a sufficient discharge to the said Council for the application of the said sum in accordance with the terms of the

will of the said James Gray.

Authorizing Wairarapa South County Council to raise loans for purchase of land, and validating certain interest payments.

- 9. Whereas by a certain petition Herman Nitz, of Kaiwhata, near Masterton, farmer: Edgar Leonard Nitz, of Kaiwhata, farmer; Lucy Martin Nitz, wife of the said Herman Nitz, of Kaiwhata, farmer; Paul Henry William Kummer, of Kaiwhata, farmer; Walter Norman Kummer, of Kaiwhata, farmer; John Bannister, of Kaiwhata, farmer; and Francis Charles Bunny, of Greytown, farmer, and Clark Cecilia Tatham, of Homewood, near Masterton, widow (trustees of the estate of John Harding Tatham, deceased), requested the Council of the County of Wairarapa South to acquire certain land for the purpose of a new road to the Kaiwhata Landing, and such petition contained a request to constitute the land mentioned in the Schedule hereto as a special-rating area in order to pay for such road: And whereas in pursuance of the request contained in such petition the said Council acquired for the purposes of a road, under the provisions of the Public Works Act, 1908, certain land owned by one Charles Archibald Cameron, for which the Council was adjudged to pay him the sum of eight hundred pounds and costs: And whereas such road had to be fenced, and it was agreed that the Council should pay to Charles Archibald Cameron the sum of six hundred pounds for such purpose, and that interest should be paid by the Council on both the said sums of eight hundred pounds and six hundred pounds: And whereas the Council has paid in the past and is liable to pay in the future certain sums by way of interest as aforesaid, and doubts have arisen as to the Council's authority to make And whereas it has been found that the said petition such payments: was not prepared in accordance with the law, and in order to meet the situation that has arisen it is desired to make provision as hereinafter set out: Be it therefore enacted as follows:—
- (1.) All payments of interest as aforesaid heretofore made by the said Council are hereby validated, and the Council may continue to pay such interest pursuant to such agreement as aforesaid until the amount owing by the Council has been raised as hereinafter set out and paid to Charles Archibald Cameron.
- (2.) The said Council is hereby authorized to borrow by way of special loan under the Local Bodies' Loans Act, 1913, as if for a public

work, but without taking the steps described in sections eight to twelve of that Act, a sum of one thousand one hundred pounds on the security of a special rate over all rateable property within the area hereinafter described, which is hereby declared to be a specialrating area for that purpose, such sum to be applied to the payment of the purchase-money for the said land and of half cost of the fencing as aforesaid.

(3.) The said Council is also hereby authorized to borrow by way of special loan as aforesaid, but on the security of a special rate over all rateable property in the said county, a sum sufficient to meet the other half cost of fencing, the interest payments made and to be made by the Council as aforesaid, and all other costs and charges incurred by the Council in connection with the said Kaiwhata Landing Road.

(4.) The special-rating area referred to in subsection two hereof is

particularly described as follows:—

All that area in the Wellington Land District bounded by a line commencing at a point in the middle of the Kaiwhata River in line with the eastern boundary of Section 153, Block V, Kaiwhata Survey District; thence to and along that boundary and along the southeastern and south-western boundaries of the land shown on plan 4281, deposited in the office of the District Land Registrar, at Wellington, to the easternmost corner of the land shown on plan 2923, deposited as aforesaid; thence along the southern boundaries generally of the land shown on plan 2923 aforesaid to the northern boundary of Section 165, Block VI, Kaiwhata Survey District; thence along the northern and western boundaries of the said Section 165 to the south-eastern corner of that part of Section 297, Block VI, Kaiwhata Survey District, containing three hundred and thirty acres; thence westerly along the southern boundaries of the said part Section 297 to the south-eastern corner of Section 1, Block IV, Kaiwhata Survey District; thence along the southern boundaries of Sections 1 and 2, Block IV aforesaid, to the road forming the eastern boundary of Section 6, Block VI, Kaiwhata Survey District; thence along that road to the south-eastern corner of Section 6 aforesaid; thence along the southern and western boundaries of the said Section 6, the western boundaries of Sections 3 and 4, Block IV aforesaid, and the western boundaries of Small Grazing-run 50, Block IV aforesaid, to the southernmost corner of Small Grazingrun 48; thence along the southern, western, and northern boundaries of the said Small Grazing-run 48 to the north-western boundary of Small Grazing-run 50; thence along the north-western boundaries of Small Grazing-run 50 and the northern and eastern boundaries of Section 9, Block IV, Kaiwhata Survey District, to the south-eastern corner of the last-mentioned section; thence along the eastern boundaries of Sections 7 and 5, Block IV aforesaid, to the Kaiwhata River; and thence to and down the middle of the Kaiwhata River to the point of commencement.

## City and Borough Councils.

10. Whereas the Levin Borough Council raised a loan of twenty- Validating raising four thousand pounds pursuant to a proposal carried by the ratepayers of loan by Levin Borough Council for of the Borough of Levin on the sixteenth day of May, nineteen hundred erection of shops and and twenty-three, for the purpose of erecting municipal buildings: offices. And whereas the said Council raised a supplementary loan of two

thousand four hundred pounds pursuant to section eighteen of the Local Bodies' Loans Act, 1913, for the said purpose: And whereas the said Council raised a further loan of three thousand pounds pursuant to a proposal carried by the ratepayers of the said borough, on the fourteenth day of October, nineteen hundred and twenty-five, for the completion of the erection of the said municipal buildings and other matters incidental thereto: And whereas as part of the scheme for the erection of the said municipal buildings the said Council proposed to erect shops and offices for the purpose of letting the same, and such shops and offices have been duly erected: And whereas doubts have arisen as to the power of the said Council to raise and expend loan-moneys in the erection of shops and offices: Be it therefore enacted as follows:—

Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in any Act, the Levin Borough Council shall be deemed to have been lawfully empowered to borrow all such moneys as aforesaid and to expend any part thereof in the erection of shops and offices for the purpose of letting the same.

11. Whereas on the twenty-eighth day of September, nineteen hundred and twenty-five, the Thames Borough Council caused a poll of the ratepayers of the Borough of Thames to be taken on a proposal to borrow by way of special loan (under the name of Thames Quarry Loan No. 2) under the provisions of the Local Bodies' Loans Act, 1913, a sum of five thousand pounds for the following purposes—namely, to complete and fully establish the Waiotahi Quarry and construction of tramways in connection therewith, and to provide and install suitable plant and machinery in connection with such quarry and tramways, and to repay to its District Fund Account moneys amounting to one thousand eight hundred and three pounds three shillings and ninepence already advanced thereout for the establishment and equipment of the said quarry and tramways: And whereas such proposal was declared to be duly carried, but doubts have arisen as to the validity of such poll and as to the powers and authority of the Thames Borough Council to repay to the District Fund Account out of the said loan the moneys already advanced as aforesaid: Be it therefore enacted as follows:—

The said poll is hereby validated and declared to have been lawfully taken, and in pursuance of the authority thereof the Thames Borough Council may refund to its District Fund Account, out of the proceeds of the said loan of five thousand pounds, an amount not exceeding one thousand eight hundred and three pounds three shillings and ninepence in respect of moneys advanced from that account as aforesaid.

12. Whereas the Hamilton Borough Council did on the first day of February, nineteen hundred and twenty-five, by section ninety-three of the Hamilton Borough By-law No. 5, provide that certain fees should be paid in respect of licenses granted by the Council for premises to be used for the sale of butchers' meat or poultry, and also for the purpose of boning, curing, canning, salting, mincing, or other similar process of preparing meat or fat for sale for human consumption: And whereas by an order of the Supreme Court of New Zealand (Hamilton District). dated the twenty-fourth day of March, nineteen hundred and twentysix, the said section ninety-three was amended, and a reduced fee was substituted for the fees originally prescribed thereby, but certain persons have in the meantime paid fees in excess of the amount of the said reduced fee: And whereas there is no authority of law to enable the Hamilton

Validating loan of £5,000 by Thames Borough Council for Waiotahi Quarry purposes.

Authorizing Hamilton Borough Council to refund certain license fees paid in excess.

Borough Council to make a refund of the amount of fees so paid in excess, and it is desired to confer such authority: Be it therefore enacted as follows:—

The Hamilton Borough Council, on application by any person holding a license granted by the Council for premises to be used as before mentioned, and on being satisfied that the licensee has paid license fees in excess of the amount for which he was properly liable or would have been liable if the present license fee had been in force as from the coming into force of the above-mentioned by-law, may refund to the licensee the amount so paid in excess.

13. Whereas the Hastings Borough Council, being duly authorized Authorizing by a poll of ratepayers taken on the second day of July, nineteen Hastings Borough Council to utilize hundred and twenty-four, raised a loan of forty-nine thousand pounds unexpended balance under the Local Bodies' Loans Act, 1913, for undertaking certain works of loan of £49.000. in the Borough of Hastings, a portion of such loan-namely, twentytwo thousand three hundred and thirty pounds-being specifically allocated for expenditure on bitumen road-surfacing in portions of the following streets: Karamu Road (from Victoria Street to boundary), Heretaunga Street (from Tomoana Road to boundary), Havelock Road (from Park Road to Norton Road), Karamu Road (from Eastbourne Street to Southampton Street), Warren Street (from Eastbourne Street to Queen Street), King Street (from Eastbourne Street to Queen Street), Market Street (from Eastbourne Street to the racecourse): And whereas those works have been completed for less than that sum, and it is desirable to authorize the said Council to expend the surplus in further bitumen road-surfacing works in the said borough: Be it therefore enacted as follows:—

Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in the Local Bodies' Loans Act, 1913, or in any other Act, it shall be lawful for the Hastings Borough Council to expend any surplus of the said sum of twenty-two thousand three hundred and thirty pounds not required for the purposes for which the said sum was allocated in constructing bitumen roadsurfacing in such other portions of the said borough as the Council thinks fit.

14. Whereas the Waipukurau Borough Council raised a loan of Authorizing the fourteen thousand pounds pursuant to a proposal carried by the rate- Waipukurau Borough Council to payers of the said borough on the twenty-sixth day of April, nineteen raise a further loan hundred and twenty-three, for the purchase of land and the erection in connection with its Municipal and equipping of a Municipal Theatre and shops: And whereas the Theatre, and said Council raised a further loan of two thousand five hundred pounds validating certain for additional work in the erection and equipping of a Municipal Theatre and shops pursuant to a further proposal carried by the said ratepayers on the seventeenth day of January, nineteen hundred and twenty-four: And whereas the said Council believed that it was entitled, under section eighteen of the Local Bodies' Loans Act, 1913, to raise two further loans of ten per centum of each of the said loans raised as aforesaid, but a declaratory judgment of the Supreme Court was made to the effect that the Council had not power under the said section to raise an additional ten per centum of either of the said loans: And whereas the said Council in the belief aforesaid overdrew its loan accounts kept in connection with the said loans of fourteen thousand pounds and two thousand five hundred pounds to the extent of one thousand six

acts of the Council.

hundred and fifty pounds, which amount is now owing to the said Council's General Account: And whereas doubts have arisen as to the power of the said Council to raise and expend loan-moneys in the erection of shops: And whereas it is expedient to give to the said Council power to raise a further loan as hereinafter provided, and to validate the acts of the said Council in overdrawing its loan accounts and in raising and expending loan-moneys in the erection of shops: Be it therefore enacted as follows:—

- (1.) The Council may by way of special loan under the provisions of the Local Bodies' Loans Act, 1913, but without taking the steps described in sections eight to twelve of that Act, borrow the sum of one thousand six hundred and fifty pounds, and may pay the same to its General Account.
- (2.) The said Council shall make a special rate on all rateable property in the said borough as security for the interest and other charges in respect of the said loan of one thousand six hundred and fifty pounds, and such special rate may be levied as part of the special rates made and levied in respect of the said two original loans in the proportions which such loans bear to one another, or may be levied in addition to the said special rates.
- (3.) The acts of the said Council in overdrawing its loan accounts for the sum of one thousand six hundred and fifty pounds and in raising and expending loan-moneys in the erection of shops as respect-tively hereinbefore mentioned are hereby validated.
- 15. Subsection four of section eighty-seven of the Reserves and other Lands Disposal and Public Bodies Empowering Act, 1925, is hereby amended by omitting the words "recreation purposes," and substituting the words "a children's playground."
- 16. Subsection two of section ninety-nine of the Reserves and other Lands Disposal and Public Bodies Empowering Act, 1925, is hereby amended, as from the date of the passing of that Act, by omitting the words "and bounded as follows," and substituting the words "excepting out of the said Lot 2 all that piece or parcel of land bounded as follows."
- 17. Whereas in the year nineteen hundred and nineteen the Christchurch City Council agreed to grant to Joseph McClelland, of 85 Retreat Road, Christchurch, a permit to keep swine within the City of Christchurch on his making certain alterations to his premises: And whereas such alterations were duly made, and thereupon such permit was granted: And whereas a renewal of such permit was subsequently refused, and such alterations were thereby rendered useless: And whereas it is desired to make a payment to the said Joseph McClelland in the nature of compensation for the loss sustained by him: Be it therefore enacted as follows:—

The Christchurch City Council is hereby authorized to pay to the said Joseph McClelland out of its General Account such sum, not exceeding two hundred and twenty-five pounds, as may be agreed on between the said Council and the said Joseph McClelland by way of compensation for such refusal to renew such permit, and such payment shall be in satisfaction and extinction of the rights of action (if any) of the said Joseph McClelland against the said Council in respect of such refusal to renew such permit.

Changing purposes of certain area of land vested in Lower Hutt Borough Council.

Section 99, Reserves and other Lands Disposal and Public Bodies Empowering Act, 1925, amended.

Authorizing Christchurch City Council to pay a certain sum to Joseph McClelland,

18. It shall be lawful for the Christchurch City Council to contribute Authorizing to the Sir Arthur Pearson Memorial Fund out of the General Account Christchurch City Council to contribute of its District Fund, before the first day of April, nineteen hundred and towards the Sir thirty, a sum or sums not exceeding in all one thousand pounds.

19. Whereas the Christchurch City Council having in contemplation the demolition of a wooden bridge over the River Avon in the line of Cashel Street, in the City of Christchurch, and the erection of a new City Council towards bridge to replace the said bridge, did by deed dated the twentieth day construction of war memorial bridge. of February, nineteen hundred and twenty-three, and made between the Corporation of the City of Christchurch of the one part and the promoters of a war memorial under the designation of "The Bridge of Remembrance" of the other part, provide for the demolition and reconstruction of the said bridge in manner hereinafter appearing: And whereas the said promoters had collected by means of public subscriptions and otherwise a fund for the purpose aforesaid, and had let a contract for the erection of the said bridge for the price of sixteen thousand and seventy-eight pounds: And whereas by the said deed the Corporation of the City of Christchurch contracted and agreed with the said promoters to pay the cost of the understructure of the said bridge—namely, the sum of eight thousand four hundred and twentynine pounds—by four yearly instalments of one thousand eight hundred pounds each and the balance in the fifth year, and to pay interest at the rates and in manner set forth in the said deed on the balance found to be unpaid by it after the whole of the fund collected by the promoters as aforesaid should have been first expended: And whereas during the course of construction extra works were ordered by the said Council to be carried out on the substructure of the said bridge, bringing the cost thereof to the sum of nine thousand and sixty-five pounds five shillings and sixpence: And whereas in pursuance of the said building contract the said understructure and extra works as well as the rest of the said Bridge of Remembrance have been completely built and finished in accordance with plans and specifications approved by the said Council, and the entire bridge is vested in the said Corporation for public use: And whereas the said sum of nine thousand and sixty-five pounds five shillings and sixpence has been duly paid to the said promoters, together with the sum of ninety pounds eighteen shillings and twopence for interest at five per centum per annum, in accordance with the terms of the said deed: And whereas doubts have arisen as to the legality of such payments, and it is deemed advisable to validate the same: Be it therefore enacted as follows:—

The payment of the said sums as aforesaid by the Christchurch City Council out of its District Fund is hereby validated and declared to have been lawfully made.

20. Whereas the Queenstown Borough Council being indebted to Validating payment certain persons and firms in connection with its hydro-electric scheme of interest by Queenstown was charged with, and duly paid, during the year ended the thirty- Borough Council on first day of March, nineteen hundred and twenty-six, interest on accounts. the several amounts owing by it, and it is desired to validate such payments: Be it therefore enacted as follows:-

The payments by the Queenstown Borough Council to Arthur Peachy Aldridge of an amount of eight pounds nine shillings and elevenpence, to Turnbull and Jones (Limited) of an amount of ninety-

Arthur Pearson Memorial Fund.

Validating payments by the Christchurch

four pounds thirteen shillings and sixpence, to Cossens and Black (Limited) of an amount of thirteen pounds seventeen shillings and fourpence, and to the National Electrical and Engineering Company (Limited) of an amount of five pounds eleven shillings and sixpence, making in all the sum of one hundred and twenty-two pounds twelve shillings and threepence, in respect of interest on overdue accounts, are hereby validated and declared to have been lawfully made.

- Changing purpose of reservation of certain lands vested in Invercargill Borough Corporation, and declaring purpose for which other lands are so vested.
- 21. Whereas the land described in subsection three hereof is vested in the Corporation of the Borough of Invercargill as a recreation reserve for the inhabitants of the Town of Invercargill, but by reason of the reclamation and setting-apart of adjacent lands as a site for dangerousgoods stores it is now not suitable for a recreation reserve, and is no longer required for that purpose: And whereas the Invercargill Borough Council has purchased for the sum of one thousand four hundred and seventy-five pounds the lands described in subsection four hereof: And whereas it is expedient to change the purpose of the reservation over such first-mentioned land and to set apart for recreation purposes the lands purchased as aforesaid: Be it therefore enacted as follows:-
- (1.) The reservation as a recreation reserve over the land described in subsection three hereof is hereby cancelled, and the said land is hereby declared to be vested in the Corporation of the Borough of Invercargill as an endowment for the benefit of that borough freed and discharged from all trusts heretofore affecting it.
- (2.) The lands described in subsection four hereof are hereby declared to be vested in the said Corporation as scenic and recreation reserves for the enjoyment and use of the inhabitants of the said borough, and shall be deemed to be recreation reserves within the meaning of the Public Reserves and Domains Act, 1908.
- (3.) The land to which subsection one hereof relates is particularly described as follows:-
- All that piece or parcel of land, containing fourteen acres two roods eight perches, in Block LXXVII, Town of Invercargill, and Section 10, Block III, Invercargill Hundred, being Lots 18 and 19 on deposited plan No. 2320 in the District Land Registry Office at Invercargill, and part of the land comprised in certificate of title, Volume 119, folio 217, in that office.
- (4.) The lands to which subsection two hereof relates are all those parcels of land, containing forty-seven acres one rood thirty-five perches, being that part of Section 11, Block IV, Invercargill Hundred, adjoining the existing Waihopai Scenic Reserve on the west, and being Lot 1 on a plan deposited in the District Land Registry Office at Invercargill as No. 2485, and also that part of Section 26, Block I, Invercargill Hundred, east of the said Waihopai Scenic Reserve, between the Waihopai River and Elles Road, containing five acres two roods thirtysix perches, and being Lot 2 on the said deposited plan No. 2485.
- 22. Whereas the land hereinafter described is vested in the Corporation of the Borough of Carterton in trust as a site for public buildings and for a recreation-ground or public gardens: And whereas that land is suitable as a site for a public school: And whereas, in order that the said land may be made available for such last-mentioned purpose, other land has been purchased by public subscription, and is now held

Cancellation of reservation over certain land, and authorizing Carterton Borough Council to transfer certain land to Wellington Education Board.

by the said Corporation in trust as a site for public buildings and for a recreation-ground or public gardens: And whereas it is desirable to authorize the Carterton Borough Council to transfer the first-mentioned land, less a portion required for street purposes, to the Education Board of the District of Wellington: Be it therefore enacted as follows:-

The reservation as a site for public buildings and for a recreationground or public gardens over all that parcel of land being part 1 of the section numbered 3 on the plan of the Township of Carterton, and being all the land comprised in certificate of title, Register-book, Volume 13, folio 169, Wellington Land Registry, is hereby cancelled, and the said land shall be disposed of as follows:-

(a.) The Carterton Borough Council shall transfer to the Education Board of the District of Wellington, without payment of any consideration therefor, the whole of the land aforesaid with the exception of a strip of land along the western boundary thereof not exceeding one chain in width and 500 links in length.

(b.) The strip of land so excepted shall be proclaimed by the Council as a public street.

23. It shall be deemed to have been lawful for the Auckland City Validating Council to expend out of its General Account in the District Fund any Auckland City sum or sums of money, not exceeding in the aggregate the sum of three Council in respect hundred pounds, for the purpose of celebrating the visit of the Australian of visit of Australian Australian Squadron to Auckland during the month of March, nineteen hundred Squadron. and twenty-six, and of welcoming, entertaining, and otherwise providing hospitality to the Commodore, officers, and men of the vessels during their visit to Auckland, or of contributing to any fund established for any of such purposes.

24. Whereas the Otaki Borough Council has incurred a certain Authorizing Otaki liability in connection with the extension of its waterworks scheme to an Borough Council to amount not exceeding one thousand two hundred and eighty-eight pounds moneys for plant, and threepence for plant and materials acquired: And whereas the said materials, and land Council, in order to extinguish a further liability of three hundred and connection with seventy pounds, being the balance of purchase-money owing for land waterworks scheme, acquired by the said Council in connection with its waterworks scheme, the District Fund paid that sum out of the Otaki Borough District Fund: And whereas it Account is deemed expedient to empower the said Council to pay the amount not exceeding one thousand two hundred and eighty-eight pounds and threepence out of the Otaki Borough Waterworks Loan Account, and also to reimburse the Otaki Borough District Fund Account by transferring to that account the sum of three hundred and seventy pounds from the Otaki Borough Waterworks Loan Account: Be it therefore enacted as follows:—

acquired in and also to recoup

The Otaki Borough Council is hereby empowered to pay out of the Otaki Borough Waterworks Loan Account the said sum of one thousand two hundred and eighty-eight pounds and threepence, and is further empowered to transfer from the said Otaki Borough Waterworks Loan Account to the Otaki Borough District Fund Account the said sum of three hundred and seventy pounds.

25. Whereas the Corporation of the City of Dunedin is the owner Making special of certain works, including a power-house, erected on the Waipori River provision with and used by the Dunedin City Council (hereinafter called the Council) leading to Dunedin for the purpose of generating electricity by utilizing the waters of such City Council's hydro-electric river: And whereas the Council constructed at its own expense the works at Waipori.

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road hereinafter described, portions of which have not been legalized: And whereas portions of the said road are on the banks of the said river, and are very narrow, and it is desirable in the interests of public safety and otherwise that the Council should have conferred on it certain powers in respect of the said road: Be it therefore enacted as follows:—

(1.) The Council shall have power in respect of the said road to do the following things, provided that such power shall not be exercised until all unlegalized portions of the said road have been legalized and vested in His Majesty as a public highway:—

(a.) To construct and repair the said road.

- (b.) To divert or alter the course of the said road or any part thereof.
- (c.) To increase or diminish the width of the said road or any part thereof.
- (d.) To stop the traffic on the said road or any part thereof during such period when for any reason it is considered desirable that the public traffic and passage should be stopped.

(e.) To make by-laws regulating, controlling, or prohibiting traffic on the said road or any part thereof, and prescribing pay-

ments in respect of such traffic:

Provided that by-laws so made shall be subject to the provisions of subsection four of section one hundred and thirty-nine of the Public Works Act, 1908.

- (f.) To cause tolls to be collected on the said road or any part thereof, and for that purpose, with the consent of the Governor-General in Council, to do the following things:—
  - (i.) Appoint and discharge collectors of tolls:
  - (ii.) Place on the said road tollhouses, gates, and bars:
  - (iii.) Fix from time to time the scale of tolls to be collected at any tollgate upon all persons, cattle, or vehicles passing the same, and revoke or alter such scale; but no such toll shall be charged in respect of the persons, cattle, and vehicles mentioned in paragraphs (a), (b), (c), (e), (f), (g), and (h) of subsection one of section one hundred and fifty-eight of the Public Works Act, 1908, or any person who is a ratepayer of the County of Tuapeka.
- (2.) The road to which this section relates is particularly described as follows: That road in the Otago Land District commencing at a point in the Tuapeka County at the southernmost corner of Section 5, Block VIII, Waipori Survey District, and proceeding thence in a southeasterly direction generally along or adjacent to Waipori River, and terminating at a point in the Taieri County on the said river adjoining Section 45, Block II, Maungatua Survey District: as the same is more particularly delineated on the plan marked P.W.D. 67008, deposited in the office of the Minister of Public Works, at Wellington, and thereon coloured red, and lettered A.B.
- 26. (1.) The Palmerston North Borough Council is hereby empowered to acquire all that piece or parcel of land, containing forty-three acres two roods and twenty-one and three-tenths perches, more or less, being part of Section 203 of the Township of Fitzherbert, and being all the land comprised in certificate of title, Volume 179, folio 11, Wellington Land Registry, and for that purpose to raise a special loan, as if for a public work, under the Local Bodies' Loans Act, 1913.

Authorizing Palmerston North Borough Council to purchase certain and and to transfer part thereof to Crown for agricultural-college purposes.

(2.) The said land when so purchased shall be held by the said Corporation of the said borough in trust for the purposes of a public recreation-ground; but the Council may, without consideration, transfer to His Majesty for the purposes of an agricultural college such part of that land as it thinks fit, and any part so transferred shall thereupon be held by His Majesty for the purposes of an agricultural college, freed and discharged from any reservation theretofore affecting it.

27. The authority conferred on the Westport Borough Council Extending power by section one hundred and fifteen of the Reserves and other Lands of Westport Borough Council as Disposal and Public Bodies Empowering Act, 1925, is hereby extended to varying purposes to enable the said Council to utilize any additional sum, not exceeding of expenditure of loan of £3,000. five hundred pounds (being portion of the unexpended balance of a loan of three thousand pounds raised for the purpose of advances of moneys to ratepayers for private electric connections), for the purpose of completing the work for which the loan of twenty-three thousand five

hundred pounds mentioned in that section was raised.

28. The payment by the Wellington City Council on the fourth Validating day of June, nineteen hundred and twenty-four, of the sum of five wellington City hundred pounds by way of contribution to the Radium Fund established Council towards for the purpose of providing radium treatment and establishing a radium the Radium Fund of the Wellington department at the Wellington Public Hospital is hereby validated.

29. (1.) Notwithstanding anything contained in the Municipal Authorizing Corporations Act, 1920, or any other Act, the Wanganui City Council is hereby empowered to grant a lease in perpetuity to the Wanganui lease to Wanganui Technical School Board of the area of land hereinafter described, at Board. such rent and price, and upon such terms and conditions, as shall be mutually agreed upon.

(2.) The land to which this section relates is particularly described

as follows:--

All that piece or parcel of land, containing by admeasurement six acres and eight and one-tenth perches, being part of Blocks XVIII, XIX, and XX of the Town Belt Reserve, City of Wanganui, and bounded as follows: commencing at a point on the southern boundary of Purnell Street, 800.4 links west of the intersection of the said southern boundary of Purnell Street and the north-western boundary of Jackson Street; thence south-westerly by a straight line having a true bearing of 214° 37' for a distance of 1162.67 links; thence westerly by a straight line having a bearing of 264° 49' for a distance of 54.5 links; thence south-westerly by a straight line having a bearing of 214° 37' for a distance of 305·1 links; thence north-westerly by a straight line having a bearing of 315° 2' for a distance of 426.31 links; thence north-easterly by a straight line having a bearing of 34° 32' for a distance of 1168.98 links to a point on the said southern boundary of Purnell Street; thence along the southern boundary for a distance of 528.81 links to the starting-point.

30. Whereas in terms of the will of Henry Sarjeant, of Wanganui, Authorizing lease gentleman, deceased, the piece or parcel of land hereinafter described Wanganui City is with other lands vested in the Corporation of the City of Wanganui Council. (hereinafter referred to as the Wanganui Corporation) in trust to establish and maintain in the said city a Fine Arts Gallery: And whereas the Wanganui Corporation, in terms of the said will, has

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established such Fine Arts Gallery: And whereas the rents arising from the said piece or parcel of land, or such part thereof as is leased, have been applied by the Wanganui City Council for the maintenance of the Fine Arts Gallery so established: And whereas the Wanganui Corporation is desirous of taking a lease of the said lands for the purposes of erecting thereon offices and showrooms to be used in connection with the gas undertaking of the said Corporation for the term and upon the conditions hereinafter appearing: And whereas it is desirable that such lease should be granted for the purposes aforesaid: Be it therefore enacted as follows:—

- (1.) The Wanganui Corporation, as trustees under the will of the said Henry Sarjeant of, *inter alia*, the land hereinafter described, is hereby empowered to grant a lease of all that piece or parcel of land described in subsection three hereof to the Wanganui Corporation for a term not exceeding twenty-one years, at a rental equivalent to seven pounds per centum per annum on the capital value of the land at the time of the taking of the said lease, such rental to be payable half-yearly and to be applied for the purposes of maintaining the said Fine Arts Gallery.
- (2.) The said lease shall contain covenants by the Wanganui Corporation—
  - (a.) To pay all rates, taxes, and other outgoings payable in respect of the said lands; and
  - (b.) To keep and yield up the premises in a good and substantial state of repair; and
- (c.) To insure the said premises; and shall also contain—
  - (d.) A power of re-entry upon default being made in payment of the rent or the observance of the covenants and such default continuing for thirty days; and
  - (e.) A provision that the Wanganui Corporation, its successors and assigns, may at any time prior to the expiration of the lease have a new lease for a further term not exceeding twenty-one years (including this present provision), at a rent to be fixed by valuation of the land only, without regarding the value of any buildings or other improvements thereon.
- (3.) The land to which this section relates is particularly described as follows:—

All that piece or parcel of land, containing by admeasurement thirty-three and six-tenths perches, and being part of Section 368, City of Wanganui, and bounded as follows: commencing at a point being the eastern corner of the said section; thence north-westerly by the north-eastern boundary of the said section for a distance of 50 links; thence south-westerly at a right angle by a straight line for a distance of 80·1 links; thence north-westerly at a right angle by a straight line for a distance of 50 links to the north-western boundary of the said section; thence south-westerly, south-easterly, and north-easterly by the boundaries of the said section to the starting-point.

31. Whereas the ratepayers of the Borough of Wairoa, at a poll held under the Local Bodies' Loans Act, 1913, on the eleventh day of September, nineteen hundred and twenty-four, duly carried a proposal of the Wairoa Borough Council to raise a special loan of two hundred

Validating certain loan proceedings of the Wairoa Borough Council, and forty pounds, known as the Awatere Bridge Loan, being the proportion payable by the said Borough Council towards the cost of erecting a bridge over the Awatere Stream, which stream is the boundary between the Wairoa County and the Wairoa Borough: And whereas prior to the carrying of the said proposal and in anticipation of raising the loan the said Borough Council paid out of its General Account to the said Wairoa County Council its said proportion of the cost of the said bridge: And whereas the said Borough Council, on the twenty-sixth day of January, nineteen hundred and twenty-five, raised the said loan of two hundred and forty pounds, and without lawful authority applied the proceeds thereof in refunding to its General Account the sum so paid to the Wairoa County Council: And whereas it is expedient to validate the said loan and the said payment thereout: Be it therefore enacted as follows:—

Notwithstanding anything in the Local Bodies' Loans Act, 1913, or any other Act, the Wairoa Borough Council shall for all purposes be deemed to have been lawfully empowered to raise such loan as aforesaid and to pay the proceeds thereof to its General Account.

32. Whereas for the purpose of relieving unemployment in the Validating City of Wellington the Wellington City Council has organized relief agreement between works: And whereas certain men in need of relief are not, by reason of Council and works: And whereas certain men in need of reflect are now, by reason of the infirmity or other unfitness, entirely suitable for employment on the Board with respect relief works available: And whereas, in view of the fact that such to unemploymentmen would have to be granted relief by the Wellington Hospital Board relief works. if no employment is found for them, an agreement was entered into between the Wellington City Council and the said Board that the Council should employ such men on the relief works, and that the difference between the value of the work done by them and the amount of wages paid them should be paid to the Council by the Board: And whereas it is desired to validate such agreement, both as regards men already employed thereunder and those employed in the future during the continuance of the relief works: Be it therefore enacted as follows :--

The agreement made between the Wellington Hospital Board and the Wellington City Council as hereinbefore recited is hereby validated, and all moneys paid or to be paid thereunder during the financial year ending the thirty-first day of March, nineteen hundred and twentyseven, are hereby declared to have been lawfully paid or to be lawfully

33. Whereas the Gore Borough Council recently sold certain Authorizing Gore portions of its electrical plant which were no longer required for the Borough Council to obtain repayment purpose of its electrical scheme for the sum of four thousand pounds, of certain moneys which sum was paid on the twenty-fourth day of October, nineteen Trustee as Sinking hundred and twenty-five, to the Public Trustee as Commissioner of Fund Commissioner. the sinking fund of a loan raised for the installation of the said scheme: And whereas the said Council is now desirous of extending and improving its said electrical scheme within the said borough by expending all or part of the said sum of four thousand pounds on such extensions and improvements: And whereas it is expedient that the said Council should be empowered to withdraw from the said sinking fund all or such part of such sum of four thousand pounds as the said

Council may deem necessary for carrying out such extensions and improvements as aforesaid: Be it therefore enacted as follows:—

- (1.) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in the Local Bodies' Loans Act, 1913, or any other Act, the Public Trustee is hereby empowered, on receipt of a copy of a special order made by the Gore Borough Council, to repay to the said Council from the sinking fund the whole or part of the said sum of four thousand pounds, as specified in the special order, and such sum shall be utilized by the said Council for such extensions and improvements of its electrical undertaking as are set out in the special order as if the said sum were an unexpended balance of the original loan for the expenditure of which statutory authority had been obtained.
- (2.) It shall not be lawful for the said Council to expend moneys so received from the Public Trustee except for purposes set out in such special order.
- 34. Whereas the streets hereinafter described were, with the consent of the Green Island Borough Council at the times hereinafter mentioned, laid out as private streets within the Borough of Green Island: And whereas the said private streets have been used by the public uninterruptedly as thoroughfares since the before-mentioned times, but they have never been properly formed and constructed: And whereas the said Council is desirous that the said private streets should be declared public streets: Be it therefore enacted as follows:—
- (1.) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in the Municipal Corporations Act, 1920, or any other Act, the Green Island Borough Council may, by special order, declare all or any of the said private streets, or any part or parts thereof, to be public streets without requiring them to be properly formed and constructed by the owners thereof or the frontagers thereto.
- (2.) The private streets to which this section relates are particularly described as follows:—

Part of Brown Street, in the Borough of Green Island, shown on plan number 100, deposited in the Land Registry Office, at Dunedin, in the year eighteen hundred and seventy-six.

Part of Totness Street and part of Teignmouth Street, in the Borough of Green Island, shown on plan number 139, deposited in the Deeds Register Office, at Dunedin, in the year eighteen hundred and seventy-eight.

Part of Teignmouth Street and part of Exeter Street, in the Borough of Green Island, shown on plan number 140, deposited in the Deeds Register Office, at Dunedin, in the year eighteen hundred and seventy-eight.

Part of Exmouth Street (formerly called Kars Street) and part of Shipka Street, in the Borough of Green Island, shown on plan number 145, deposited in the Deeds Register Office, at Dunedin, in the year eighteen hundred and seventy-eight.

Parts of Earl Street, King Street, Victoria Place, and Princes Street, in the Borough of Green Island, shown on plan number 97, deposited in the Land Registry Office, at Dunedin, in the year eighteen hundred and seventy-six.

Authorizing the Green Island Borough Council by special order to declare certain private streets to be public streets.

George Street and Frederick Street, in the Borough of Green Island, shown on plan number 948, deposited in the Land Registry Office, at Dunedin, in the year eighteen hundred and ninety-one.

Mason Road, in the Borough of Green Island, shown on plan number 407, deposited in the Land Registry Office, at Dunedin, in the

vear eighteen hundred and eighty-two.

35. It shall be lawful for the Auckland City Council to pay to Authorizing the Auckland Harbour Board the sum of three hundred pounds as a Auckland City contribution towards the cost of erecting a wharf in the Manukau contribute towards Harbour upon or adjacent to the foreshore of the property vested in erection of whatf the Corporation of the City of Auckland and known as Cornwallis Park, Park.

## Town Boards.

36. (1.) Notwithstanding anything in the Town Boards Act, 1908, Onerahi Town or any other Act, it shall be lawful for the Onerahi Town Board to make fix water charges and levy water rates or charges in respect both of the ordinary as well according to as of any extraordinary supply according to the quantity of water quantity consumed. consumed by any person receiving the same as measured by meter, at such rates or charges as may from time to time be fixed by any by-law of the Board in that behalf, or as may be agreed on with any such person, and all water rates or charges so payable shall be deemed to be separate rates, and may be recovered accordingly.

(2.) This section shall be deemed to have come into force on the

first day of April, nineteen hundred and twenty-five.

## Harbour Boards.

37. Whereas the Whakatane Harbour Board (hereinafter referred Authorizing to as the Board) was on the fourteenth day of October, nineteen hundred and twenty-two, duly authorized by the ratepayers of the Whakatane Harbour District to raise a loan of three thousand of loan of £3,000. pounds to be applied, as set out in the loan proposal, to certain engineering and survey work: And whereas a sum not exceeding one thousand one hundred pounds, part of the said loan, remains unexpended and is not required for the purpose for which it was raised: And whereas it appears expedient to expend such unexpended sum on reclaiming from the Whakatane Harbour a portion of that area fronting Strand Street, Whakatane, and immediately adjoining the roadway on the north-eastern boundary of Lot 23, on deposited plan No. 11959, of subdivision of Section 47, Town of Whakatane: Be it therefore enacted as follows:—

Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in the Local Bodies' Loans Act, 1913, or in any other Act, it shall be lawful for the Board to apply and expend the unexpended sum aforesaid for the purpose of reclaiming the area above mentioned and for any purpose incidental thereto.

38. (1.) The Napier Harbour Board is hereby empowered to grant a lease with a compulsory purchasing clause, and the Education Board Authorizing Napier of the District of Hawke's Bay is hereby empowered to accept such lease, of that piece of land, containing four acres and five-tenths of a Hawke's Bay perch, being part of Te Whare-o-maraenui Block, being all the land Education Board. shown on deposited plan No. 4634 in the Hawke's Bay Land Registry Office, at such rent and price, and upon such terms and conditions, as may be mutually agreed on.

Harbour Board to grant a lease to

(2.) Upon lodgment of a transfer from the said Harbour Board to the said Education Board of the said land the District Land Registrar for the Land Registration District of Hawke's Bay shall register the same and issue a title for the said land in the name of the said Education Board.

Authorizing the Opunake Harbour Board to raise a 10-per-cent. additional loan.

- 39. Whereas the Opunake Harbour Board has, under the authority of the Opunake Harbour Act, 1908, and certain other enactments, raised a loan of fifty thousand pounds at a rate of interest of six per centum per annum for the purpose of the acquisition of a wharf and the construction of certain works and other incidental purposes: And whereas the said Board has duly raised the said sum of fifty thousand pounds, but such sum has been found insufficient to complete the said undertaking: And whereas a doubt has arisen whether section eighteen of the Local Bodies' Loans Act, 1913, authorizes the raising of a further sum of one-tenth of the said loan of fifty thousand pounds: And whereas it is expedient to give such Board the powers hereinafter contained: Be it therefore enacted as follows:—
- (1.) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in any Act, the said Board may, for completing the said undertakings, borrow by way of special loan under the Local Bodies' Loans Act, 1913, but without taking the steps described in sections eight to twelve of that Act, the sum of five thousand pounds at a rate of interest not exceeding six per centum per annum.
- (2.) A special rate shall be made by the said Board as security for such loan and to meet the interest and other charges in respect thereof, and such special rate may be levied as a part of or in addition to the special rate made and levied in respect of the said loan of fifty thousand pounds.
- (3.) The incidence of the special rate made as aforesaid in the Opunake Town District and in the other parts of the Opunake Harbour District shall be in the same proportion as is fixed in section four of the Opunake Harbour Amendment Act, 1909.
- 40. Whereas provision was made in the Gisborne Harbour Board Enabling Act, 1919, for the hypothecation of debentures pending the raising of the loan authorized by that Act: And whereas wider provision for the hypothecation of debentures by Harbour Boards was made in the Harbours Act, 1923, and it is desired by the Gisborne Harbour Board to take advantage of such provision: Be it therefore enacted as follows:—

Section twenty-five of the Gisborne Harbour Board Enabling Act, 1919, as amended by section two of the Gisborne Harbour Board Amendment Act, 1920, is hereby repealed.

- 41. Section fifty-nine of the Reserves and other Lands Disposal and Public Bodies Empowering Act, 1918, is hereby amended by adding the following as subsection three thereof:—
- "(3.) For the purposes of this section the term "local authority" includes a Harbour Board."
- 42. Whereas the Bay of Islands Harbour Board has erected a wharf and landing-shed on portion of the Waimate-Kerikeri Road abutting on the Kerikeri River: And whereas it is expedient to vest the site of the said wharf and landing-shed as hereinafter more particularly described in the said Board: And whereas the Bay of Islands

Applying to Gisborne Harbour Board provisions of Harbours Act as to hypothecation of debentures.

Repeal.

Empowering
Harbour Boards
in Canterbury and
Otago Provincial
Districts to
contribute to funds
of Progress Leagues.

Closing portion of river-bank road and vesting in Bay of Islands Harbour Board. County Council, being the local authority exercising jurisdiction over the road of which the said site of the said wharf and landing-shed forms part, has consented to the closing of the said portion of the said road and the vesting of the land comprised therein in the said Board: Be it therefore enacted as follows:-

- (1.) Notwithstanding anything in section one hundred and thirty of the Public Works Act, 1908, the portion of the said river-bank road hereinafter more particularly described is hereby closed, and the land comprised therein is hereby vested in the Bay of Islands Harbour Board.
- (2.) The area to which this section relates is more particularly described as follows:

All that area in the North Auckland Land District, containing by admeasurement six perches, more or less, being portion of the Waimate-Kerikeri Road adjoining part of the land known as O.L.C. 39, situate in Block XI of the Kerikeri Survey District: bounded commencing at the southern boundary of the said road at its confluence with the Kerikeri River; towards the south by portion of O.L.C. 39, 59.8 links; towards the west and north by the said road, 85.1 links and 44.8 links respectively; and towards the east by the Kerikeri River to the point of commencement: be all the aforesaid linkages a little more or less: as the same is delineated on plan marked I.A. 19/73/120, and deposited in the office of the Minister of Internal Affairs, at Wellington.

- 43. Whereas the Nelson Harbour Board (hereinafter referred to as conferring special the Board) purchased from His Majesty the King, under the provisions leasing-powers on of the Nelson Harbour Board Empowering Act, 1917, the lands described Board. in the First Schedule to the said Act, and the said lands are now vested in the Board for an estate in fee-simple: And whereas portions of the said lands were at the time of such purchase subject to various leases granted by His Majesty the King: And whereas it is expedient to give to the Board power, in addition to the existing powers of leasing, to grant further and other leases of parts of the said lands not immediately required for harbour purposes, in the case of present or continuing tenancies, without public competition, and, in the case of parts of the said lands at present unoccupied by tenants, subject to public competition: Be it therefore enacted as follows:-
- (1.) The Board may, without public auction or public tender, grant to the occupier of any part or parts of the lands described in the First Schedule to the Nelson Harbour Board Empowering Act, 1917, not immediately required for harbour purposes a lease or leases of such part or parts, for such term or terms, as the Board in each case thinks fit, with such one or more or perpetual rights of renewal, and at such annual ground-rental for the first of such terms, as the Board thinks fit, with provision for revaluation of such ground-rental during each renewal, and subject to such covenants, terms, and conditions as to improvements and otherwise as the Board thinks fit, including power for the Board to determine any such lease, or any renewal thereof, at any time if the Board requires the said land or any part thereof for harbour purposes; and upon any such determination, either as to the whole or part of the land comprised in any such lease, the provisions of section one hundred and thirty-five of the Harbours Act, 1923, shall apply as if the said land had been taken for the purposes of the Board pursuant to section one hundred and thirty-four of that Act.

(2.) The powers hereinbefore conferred on the Board shall be in addition to and not in substitution for the powers of leasing conferred on the Board by the Harbours Act, 1923, and the Public Bodies' Leases Act, 1908, or otherwise; and any lease granted by the Board under this section may contain, in addition to the powers, covenants, and conditions hereinbefore mentioned, all or any of the powers, covenants, and conditions not inconsistent therewith set out or mentioned by or in the Harbours Act, 1923, and the Public Bodies' Leases Act, 1908, or either of them.

## Electric-power Boards.

Authorizing
Tauranga Electricpower Board to
establish its offices
outside the district.

44. Whereas it is provided in section forty-seven of the Electric-power Boards Act, 1925, that an Electric-power Board may provide public offices within the electric-power district: And whereas, owing to the scattered nature of the different parts of the Tauranga Electric-power District and the difficulties of access between them, it is expedient that the public offices of the said district be established in the Borough of Tauranga, which is not within the district: Be it therefore enacted as follows:—

The Tauranga Electric-power Board is hereby authorized to exercise within the Borough of Tauranga the powers conferred by section forty-seven of the Electric-power Boards Act, 1925, as if the said borough were situated within the Tauranga Electric-power District, and shall be deemed to have been so authorized as from the date of the constitution of the Board.

Conferring on South Taranaki Electricpower Board powers conferred on certain local authorities by Hawera County Electric Lighting Act, 1902.

- 45. Whereas by section sixteen of the Hawera County Electric Lighting Act, 1902 (hereinafter called the said Act), the Hawera Borough Council, the Hawera County Council, the Normanby Town Board, and the Manaia Town Board, being the local authorities having jurisdiction within the area of supply defined by section thirteen of the said Act, are empowered, at any time after the expiration of twenty-five years from the thirteenth day of September, nineteen hundred and two (being the date of the coming into operation of the said Act), upon giving six months' previous notice in writing of their intention in that behalf to require the Hawera County Electric Company (Limited) (hereinafter called the company) to sell to such local authorities the undertaking of the said company upon certain terms defined in the said section sixteen: And whereas the said area of supply is now included in the South Taranaki Electric-power District, constituted under the Electricpower Boards Act, 1925, by a Proclamation dated the twenty-fourth day of April, nineteen hundred and twenty-five, and published in the Gazette of the thirtieth day of the same month: And whereas the local authorities now having jurisdiction within the said area of supply are the Hawera Borough Council, the Hawera County Council, the Waimate West County Council, the Normanby Town Board, and the Manaia Town Board: And whereas it is expedient to enable the South Taranaki Electric-power Board (hereinafter called the Board) to purchase the undertaking of the said company: Be it therefore enacted as follows:—
- (1.) The Board may at any time after the thirteenth day of September, nineteen hundred and twenty-seven, upon giving six months' previous notice in writing of its intention in that behalf, require the company to sell to the Board the company's undertaking upon the

terms defined by section sixteen of the said Act as if the Board were named therein instead of the several local authorities therein mentioned

as having jurisdiction in the area of supply.

(2.) The Board may purchase the undertaking of the company upon the said terms at any time before the said thirteenth day of September, nineteen hundred and twenty-seven, if the company agrees to such purchase.

(3.) Any agreement for sale and purchase entered into in pursuance

of this section shall be subject to and conditional upon—

- (a.) The approval thereof under seal by the Hawera Borough Council, the Hawera County Council, the Waimate West County Council, the Normanby Town Board, and the Manaia Town Board:
- (b.) The authority of the Governor-General by Order in Council in terms of section seventy-six of the Electric-power Boards Act,
- (c.) The issue to the said Board of a license under the Public Works Amendment Act, 1911:
- (d.) The carrying of a poll taken on a proposal of the Board to borrow money for the purpose of acquiring the undertaking of the company, and the obtaining of all necessary consents to the raising of the said loan.
- (4.) The said Board may from time to time, by way of special loan under the Local Bodies' Loans Act, 1913, borrow such sum or sums of money as may be necessary for completing the purchase hereby authorized.
- (5.) The said Board may after such purchase supply electric power from such purchased undertaking to consumers within its district and
- (6.) In the event of the said Board not actually acquiring the undertaking of the company as hereby authorized within a period of five years from the date of the coming into operation of this Act, then and in such case the whole of the rights of the local authorities having jurisdiction within the said area of supply in terms of section sixteen of the said Act shall remain intact as if this Act had not been passed, and the rights of the Board in relation thereto shall terminate.
- 46. Whereas the Wanganui-Rangitikei Electric-power Board was Authorizing the on the seventh day of November, nineteen hundred and twenty-three, duly authorized by the ratepayers of the Wanganui-Rangitikei Electric-Electric-power power District to raise a loan of three hundred and seventy-five thousand Board to vary allocation of loan of pounds for certain purposes set out in the proposal submitted to the £375,000. ratepayers: And whereas the sum of three hundred and fifty-five thousand pounds is apportioned for all work incidental to distribution and the sum of twenty thousand pounds for financing consumers for the installation of electrical equipment: And whereas it is expedient that the said Wanganui-Rangitikei Electric-power Board should be authorized to apply the sum of fifty thousand pounds of the loan of three hundred and seventy-five thousand pounds for the purpose of financing installations in lieu of twenty thousand pounds as aforesaid: Be it therefore enacted as follows:—

Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in the Local Bodies' Loans Act, 1913, or in any other Act, it shall be lawful for the

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Wanganui-Rangitikei Electric-power Board to expend from time to time any portions, not exceeding in all fifty thousand pounds, of the sums borrowed in respect of the said loan of three hundred and seventy-five thousand pounds in such manner as the said Board may deem necessary for the purposes mentioned in sections one hundred and eighteen to one hundred and twenty of the Electric-power Boards Act, 1925.

Authorizing the Cambridge Electricpower Board to refund a certain sum of money to the Cambridge Borough Council. 1926, No. 61.]

47. Whereas on the first day of April, nineteen hundred and twenty, the Cambridge Borough Council contributed out of its General Account the sum of one hundred and twenty-eight pounds three shillings and threepence by way of an advance towards the expenses incidental to the constitution and formation of the Cambridge Electric-power Board District and of the Cambridge Electric-power Board: And whereas the said Power Board has no authority of law to refund the said sum to the said Borough Council, and it is expedient to confer such authority: Be it therefore enacted as follows:—

The Cambridge Electric-power Board may, out of its General Account, refund to the Cambridge Borough Council the said sum of one hundred and twenty-eight pounds three shillings and threepence.

48. Whereas the Waitemata Electric-power Board (hereinafter termed the Board), pursuant to a poll taken on the twenty-ninth day of April, nineteen hundred and twenty-five, under the provisions of the Local Bodies' Loans Act, 1913, was authorized to raise and accordingly raised a loan of two hundred thousand pounds (hereinafter termed the said loan) for the purpose of purchasing and constructing electric works as defined in the Electric-power Boards Act, 1918, in order to supply electricity within the Waitemata Electricpower District: And whereas since the date of the said poll the area of the Board's district has been extended by including therein the Borough of Devonport: And whereas the Board desires to spend part of the said loan, not exceeding the sum of fifteen thousand pounds, for the purpose of supplying electricity within the said borough as hereinafter mentioned: And whereas, in pursuance of section one hundred and eighteen of the Electric-power Boards Act, 1925, the Board desires to apply a portion of the said loan for the purpose in the said section mentioned: And whereas the Board, having been authorized by section one hundred and twenty-four of the Reserves and other Lands Disposal and Public Bodies Empowering Act, 1925, to establish its public offices in the City of Auckland, has purchased certain land in that city, and has erected thereon buildings to be used by the Board for its offices and general purposes: And whereas the Borough of Devonport, not being within the Board's district when the said poll was taken, and the objects of the said loan not having been published in detail prior to the taking of the said poll, doubts have arisen as to whether the Board can lawfully apply any part of the said loan for any of the purposes aforesaid, and it is desirable that the Board should be authorized and empowered so to do: Be it therefore enacted as follows:

(1.) It shall be lawful for the Board to expend part of the said loan, but not exceeding the sum of fifteen thousand pounds, for the purpose of making the alterations and additions necessary to enable alternating current to be used and metered in the Borough of Devonport, and for the purpose of altering the poles, wiring-system, and plant therein, and

Special provision with respect to expenditure of loan of £200,000 by Waitemata Electric-power Board.

doing all other things of and incidental thereto and to the supply of electricity in the said Borough of Devonport.

(2.) It shall be and be deemed to have been lawful for the Board to apply part of the said loan for all or any of the purposes mentioned in section one hundred and eighteen of the Electric-power Boards Act, 1925.

(3.) It shall be and be deemed to have been lawful for the Board to expend part of the said loan for the purpose of purchasing land in the City of Auckland and erecting thereon buildings and furnishing and

equipping the same for the Board's public office.

- 49. Whereas the Grey Electric-power Board has commenced Special provision operations and it is found that owing to unavoidable delay in erecting with respect to overdraft of Grey lines and in connecting up consumers' premises there will be insufficient Electric-power revenue for the Board to meet its obligations during the first and second Board. years of its operation: And whereas it is expedient to authorize the Board to borrow further moneys, not exceeding ten thousand pounds, from its bankers by way of overdraft, or from any other person or persons, for revenue purposes: Be it therefore enacted as follows:—
- (1.) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in the Local Bodies' Finance Act, 1921-22, or in the Electric-power Boards Act, 1925, or in any other Act, it shall be lawful for the Grey Electric-power Board, with the consent of the Minister of Public Works, to borrow moneys from its bankers by way of overdraft, or from any other person or persons, but so that neither at the end of the current financial year, nor at the end of the financial year ending on the thirty-first day of March, nineteen hundred and twenty-eight, shall the amount owing under this section exceed the sum of ten thousand pounds.
- (2.) In the third complete financial year after the said Board has commenced the supply of electrical energy—namely, in the financial year ending on the thirty-first day of March, nineteen hundred and twenty-nine—and in every year thereafter, the powers of the said Board to borrow by way of bank overdraft or otherwise than under section fifty-three of the Electric-power Boards Act, 1925, shall be limited to the powers conferred by paragraphs (c), (d), (e), (f), and (g) of subsection one and subsection two of section seventy of the Electric-power Boards
- 50. Whereas by section one hundred and fourteen of the Reserves Extending applicaand other Lands Disposal and Public Bodies Empowering Act, 1921–22, the Southland Electric-power Board was empowered to expend, as therein other Lands provided, certain loan-moneys amounting in all to the sum of one million Bodies Empowering five hundred thousand pounds: And whereas the Board has since Act, 1921-22. raised a supplementary loan of one hundred and fifty thousand pounds, and doubts have arisen as to whether the said section one hundred and fourteen applies to that loan, and it is expedient to make it so apply: And whereas the Board requires additional moneys for the purposes, inter alia, of enlarging its generating plant at Lake Monowai and erecting transmission and distribution lines: And whereas it is desirable, in order to obviate the necessity of the Board's borrowing the full amount so required, to make provision as hereinafter appears: Be it therefore enacted as follows:-
- (1.) The provisions of the said section one hundred and fourteen shall apply to the said supplementary loan of one hundred and fitty thousand

tion of section 114 of Reserves and

pounds, as from the raising thereof, as if it were part of the said loan of one million five hundred thousand pounds, and it shall be lawful for the said Board to apply the proceeds thereof as provided in subsection two of the said section one hundred and fourteen.

- (2.) It shall be lawful for the said Board to apply, as provided in the said subsection two of the said section one hundred and fourteen, any moneys received by it in respect of the sale of any stores, plant, or material purchased out of the proceeds of either of such loans as aforesaid, and any moneys received by it in repayment of moneys advanced to consumers in respect of installations.
- 51. Whereas the Central Hawke's Bay Electric-power Board (hereinafter called the Board) was duly authorized by a poll of the ratepayers of the Central Hawke's Bay Electric-power District, taken on the third day of October, nineteen hundred and twenty-three, to raise a loan of one hundred and fifty thousand pounds, one of the purposes for which such loan was so authorized to be raised being stated as follows in the proposal submitted to the ratepayers, namely: "To establish, acquire, and carry out the following works and undertakings—To erect generating works, construction of transmission and distributing lines, substations, purchasing and erection of all necessary equipment, motors, works, plant, machinery, roads, bridges, and approaches, together with tramways or other means of access and transit necessary for the construction or maintenance of the electric works, apparatus, motor-vehicles, and conveyances, lands, easements, and buildings, office furnishings, fittings, and requisites, and to provide for the cost of survey and other preliminary works and expenses of administration, and to generally exercise its rights and powers as may be deemed expedient by the Board under the authority of the Electric-power Boards Act, 1918, and its amendments ": And whereas the sum of one hundred and twenty-five thousand pounds was allocated to the said purpose: And whereas prior to the taking of the said poll the Board made it clearly known to the ratepayers of its said district that part of the said sum of one hundred and twenty-five thousand pounds was proposed to be expended by the Board in the purchase of certain land, buildings, and electrical machinery, plant, and fittings the property of the Corporation of the Borough of Waipukurau: And whereas the Board has agreed with the Waipukurau Borough Council for the purchase from it of certain of its lands, buildings, and electrical machinery, plant, and fittings for

Notwithstanding anything contained in the Local Bodies' Loans Act, 1913, or any other Act, the Board may apply the said sum of twenty thousand pounds, being part of the said sum of one hundred

as hereinafter appears: Be it therefore enacted as follows:—

the sum of twenty thousand pounds, but doubts have arisen whether the purpose for which the said sum of one hundred and twenty-five thousand pounds was authorized to be raised includes such purchase: And whereas under the said agreement for purchase the Board is to take over the liability of the said Corporation for a loan of thirteen thousand five hundred pounds raised by it from the Public Trustee, and to pay the balance of six thousand five hundred pounds in cash: And whereas it is expedient to make provision with respect to such purchase

Authorizing the Central Hawke's Bay Electric-power Board to purchase the Waipukurau Borough's installation out of a loan. and twenty-five thousand pounds, towards the purchase of the aforesaid lands, buildings, and electrical machinery, plant, and fittings in accordance with its agreement with the said Borough Council.

## Land Drainage Boards.

- 52. Whereas by Order in Council dated the twenty-second day of Making provision June, nineteen hundred and twenty-five, and published in the Gazette with respect to overdraft of Hokio of the twenty-fifth day of the same month, the area described in the Drainage Board. Schedule to that Order was constituted a district under and for the purposes of the Land Drainage Act, 1908, to be known as the Hokio Drainage District: And whereas, in order to meet certain preliminary expenditure and to carry out certain works which were urgently necessary, the Hokio Drainage Board (hereinafter referred to as the Board) has borrowed certain moneys by way of bank overdraft, and proposes in like manner to borrow additional moneys for such purposes: And whereas the moneys so borrowed and proposed to be borrowed do not in all exceed the sum of one thousand pounds: And whereas there was not sufficient authority at law for borrowing certain of such moneys, and it is expedient to validate the same and to empower the Board to borrow additional moneys as aforesaid: Be it therefore enacted as follows :-
- (1.) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in any Act, the Board shall be deemed, with respect to moneys heretofore borrowed as aforesaid, to have been lawfully empowered to borrow all such moneys; and may, for such purposes as aforesaid, borrow by way of bank overdraft, not later than the thirty-first day of March, nineteen hundred and twenty-seven, such additional moneys as may be necessary for the purposes aforesaid, but so that the total amount outstanding on that date in respect of all moneys borrowed under the authority of this section, whether before or after the passing of this Act, will not exceed the sum of one thousand pounds.
- (2.) Save as provided in subsection five hereof, the principal sum owing by the Board on the said thirty-first day of March, nineteen hundred and twenty-seven, in respect of all moneys borrowed as aforesaid up to that date shall be repaid by seven equal payments out of its revenue, one such payment to be made in each year of the period of seven years commencing on the first day of April, nineteen hundred and twenty-seven, and ending on the thirty-first day of March, nineteen hundred and thirty-four.
- (3.) For the purpose of providing the whole or any part of any such payment the Board may, by resolution, make and levy a special Such special rate shall be a rate over all rateable property in the Board's district.
- (4.) All interest and any other charges in respect of any part of such principal sum for the time being outstanding shall be paid by the Board out of its ordinary revenue and not out of the proceeds of such special rate.
- (5.) The Board, instead of repaying such principal sum in the manner provided by subsection two hereof, may borrow, by way of special loan under the Local Bodies' Loans Act, 1913, in the same manner as for a public work, but without taking the steps described in sections eight to twelve of that Act, an amount sufficient to repay

such sum or any part thereof for the time being outstanding, and shall

apply the proceeds of such loan towards such repayment.

(6.) Moneys borrowed under the authority of subsection one hereof, whether before or after the passing of this Act, shall not at any time be taken into account in computing for the purposes of section three of the Local Bodies' Finance Act, 1921–22, the maximum amount that may lawfully be borrowed by the Board, or the amount that it may owe at the end of any year on its general or any separate account.

- Making special provision to enable carrying-out of works in connection with Hokio Stream by Hokio Drainage Board and other local authorities.
- 53. Whereas certain land-drainage operations in connection with the Hokio stream, Horowhenua County, are necessary, and it is proposed by Proclamation under section sixty-four of the Land Drainage Act, 1908, to empower the Hokio Drainage Board to carry out such operations: And whereas it is desirable that in the carrying-out of such operations certain Native fishing-rights conferred by the Horowhenua Block Act, 1896, and certain rights of user of the Horowhenua Lake as a public recreation reserve under the Horowhenua Lake Act, 1905, should be reasonably safeguarded and preserved: Be it therefore enacted as follows:—
- (1.) Any Proclamation made under section sixty-four of the Land Drainage Act, 1908, relating to the Hokio Stream shall contain such provisions as are deemed necessary to protect any existing Native fishing-rights as aforesaid, and to secure to the public the user of Horowhenua Lake as a recreation reserve without undue interference with existing rights of user, and for such purposes may provide for any of the following matters:—

(a.) Regulating or restricting the widening or deepening of the Hokio Stream:

- (b.) Regulating the removal and replacement of eel-weirs placed in the Hokio Stream by Native owners:
- (c.) Regulating or restricting the carrying-out of works calculated to lower the level of Horowhenua Lake:
- (d.) Protecting existing rights of user of Horowhenua Lake for recreation purposes.
- (2.) Any local authority required to take any steps as aforesaid for protecting fishing-rights or rights of user of the lake may carry out such works as are necessary for the purpose, or may pay to any person such sums as it considers necessary for the carrying-out of any works.
- (3.) Section ninety-seven of the Reserves and other Lands Disposal and Public Bodies Empowering Act, 1916, is hereby amended by omitting from subsection seven thereof all words after the words "the said Hokio Stream," and substituting the words "and the said area shall for the purposes of the said Part III be deemed to be the district of the Board."
- (4.) The costs of the Commission appointed by the Governor-General by Warrant dated the twenty-sixth day of October, nineteen hundred and twenty-five, under section sixty-five of the Land Drainage Act, 1908, shall be borne by the Hokio Drainage Board, and the amount of such costs shall be paid into the Public Account to the credit of the Consolidated Fund.
- 54. Whereas for the protection and development of certain lands in the locality of Orton, in the Auckland Land District, steps were taken in connection with the constitution of a drainage district under the Land

Authorizing Orton Drainage Board to pay certain moneys out of proceeds of certain loans. Drainage Act, 1908: And whereas with a view to expediting the construction of drainage-works which were urgently necessary certain settlers in that locality purchased a dredge for the use of the Drainage Board of the proposed district: And whereas a drainage district was afterwards duly constituted under the Land Drainage Act, 1908, by name the Orton Drainage District, and in anticipation of a loan being raised the Board thereof agreed to purchase the dredge aforesaid from the said settlers at a price which precluded the said settlers from making a profit out of that transaction: And whereas certain of the said settlers were, and are now, members of the Orton Drainage Board: And whereas the said Board on the eleventh day of March, nineteen hundred and twenty-four, obtained the requisite consent in writing of the ratepayers in the Orton Drainage District to borrow by way of special loan under the provisions of the Local Bodies' Loans Act, 1913, two sums of three thousand pounds each, for the purpose, inter alia, of purchasing a dredge and doing certain drainage-works in the said district: And whereas the said Board obtained engineers' reports regarding a drainage scheme, and incurred liabilities in connection therewith: And whereas the said Board now owes the purchase price of the dredge, interest thereon, and various expenses in respect of the drainage scheme: And whereas doubts have arisen as to the validity of such purchase, and as to the power and authority of the said Board to pay the aforesaid liabilities out of the aforesaid loans: Be it therefore enacted as follows:-

(1.) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in the Land Drainage Act, 1908, or any other Act, the purchase of the said dredge by the Orton Drainage Board is hereby validated, and the said Board may, pursuant to such consent as aforesaid, proceed to raise the said loans of three thousand pounds each, and may, out of the proceeds thereof, pay the amount owing in respect of such purchase, with interest thereon according to such agreement as aforesaid, and the expenses incurred in respect of the drainage scheme.

(2.) Nothing in the Public Contracts and Local Bodies' Contractors Act, 1908, or any other Act, imposing disqualification or other penalties on members of any local authority or other public body for contracting with such local authority or public body shall apply to any member of the Orton Drainage Board in respect of any payment to him pursuant

to this section.

## River Boards and River Trusts.

55. Whereas the ratepayers of the Kahutara River District did Validating cortain by a written consent dated the fifth day of January, nineteen hundred expenditure of loan-moneys by and twenty-two, consent to the raising of a special loan of fourteen Kahutara River thousand pounds under the Local Bodies' Loans Act, 1913, for the purpose of erecting stop-banks: And whereas the Kahutara River Board did by resolution of the twenty-eighth day of February, nineteen hundred and twenty-two, resolve that such loan be raised for such purpose: And whereas such loan has been duly raised, but part thereof has been expended by the Kahutara River Board during the period between the first day of April, nineteen hundred and twenty-four, and the thirty-first day of March, nineteen hundred and twenty-six, in the purchase of plant for carrying out such work, and in the payment of freight and other charges in connection therewith, being purposes not

authorized by the said resolution: And whereas it is considered equitable in the circumstances that such unauthorized payments out of the said loan should be validated, and that the Kahutara River Board be authorized to use such part as may be necessary of the said loan-moneys as remain unexpended in payment of further charges in connection with such plant: Be it therefore enacted as follows:—

(1.) The payment by the Kahutara River Board out of the said loan-moneys of the cost of plant and freight and other charges in

connection therewith is hereby validated.

(2.) The said Board may pay out of the unexpended portion of such loan-moneys such further amounts as it deems necessary in connection with the maintenance and reconditioning of such plant.

56. Whereas by subsection one of section nineteen of the Ashley River Improvement Act, 1925 (hereinafter referred to as the said Act), the bed of the Ashley River was, save as expressly provided therein, vested in the Ashley River Trust as an endowment: And whereas previous to the passing of the said Act the local authorities hereinafter mentioned, and also the Northern Agricultural and Pastoral Association, incorporated under the Agricultural and Pastoral Societies Act, 1908 (hereinafter called the association), had agreed that certain areas of the bed of the Ashley River should be vested in the Rangiora Borough Corporation, the Corporation of the County of Rangiora, the Corporation of the County of Ashley, and the association respectively, and the proposals with respect thereto had been approved by the Minister of Lands: And whereas since the passing of the said Act it has become known to the said local authorities, the association, and the Ashley River Trust that all the said areas were by the said Act vested in the Ashley River Trust as an endowment: And whereas at a conference of authorized representatives of all the said local authorities, the Ashley River Trust, and the association, held at Rangiora on the fifth day of May, nineteen hundred and twenty-six, it was unanimously agreed to consent to statutory authority being obtained to the vesting of the respective areas described in the Schedule hereto, forming part of the bed of the Ashley River, in the said local authorities and in the association as hereinafter provided: Be it therefore enacted as follows:—

The vesting in the Ashley River Trust of all the areas described in the first column of the Schedule hereto as endowments of that Trust is hereby cancelled, and each of those areas is hereby vested in the body corporate the name of which is set opposite the description of such area in the second column of that Schedule for the purposes set out in the third column thereof, subject to the right of the said Trust to carry out on any of such areas, other than the area lastly described, any of the works which it is authorized to carry out by section fifteen of the Ashley River Improvement Act, 1925, and for that purpose to enter upon any part of such area.

57. The Wanganui River Trust may in every financial year in the period ending not later than the thirty-first day of March, nineteen hundred and twenty-nine, out of its General Fund, Account, or revenues, expend for purposes not authorized by any Act or law for the time being in force any sum or sums not amounting in the whole to more

than fifty pounds in any such year.

Vesting certain areas of Ashley River bed lands in the Rangiora Borough Council, the Rangiora County Council, the Ashley County Council, and the Northern Agricultural and Pastoral Association.

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Providing for unauthorized expenditure by Wanganui River Trust.

## Hospital Boards.

58. The expenditure by the Otago Hospital Board during the Validating certain financial year ended on the thirty-first day of March, nineteen hundred expenditure of Otago Hospital and twenty-six, of a sum not exceeding one hundred pounds in con-Board. nection with the entertainment of delegates to the Hospitals Conference held at Dunedin in the month of February, nineteen hundred and twentysix, is hereby validated and declared to have been lawfully made.

## Road Boards.

59. Whereas on the twenty-eighth day of November, nineteen Authorizing the hundred and twenty-five, the Mount Wellington Road Board was duly Mount Wellington authorized by a poll of the ratepayers of the Mount Wellington Road change the purposes District to borrow by way of special loan under the Local Bodies' Loans of the expenditure of certain loan-Act, 1913, the sum of thirty-four thousand six hundred pounds for the money. purpose of paving with concrete the Panmure-Otahuhu Road and the Ellerslie-Panmure Road, and constructing a footpath from Lake Road to Pit Road along the Ellerslie-Panmure Road and from Panama Road to Portgage Road along the Panmure-Otahuhu Road: And whereas it is estimated that the said works will be completed at a less cost than the amount of the said loan: And whereas the said Board is desirous of applying the unexpended balance in making further footpaths on the said roads and on another road in the said road district: Be it therefore enacted as follows:-

Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in the Local Bodies' Loans Act, 1913, or any other Act, the Mount Wellington Road Board is hereby authorized and empowered to spend the unexpended surplus of the said special loan, after completion of the works for which the same was raised, upon the curbing, channelling, forming, and surfacing of footpaths upon any other parts of the Ellerslie-Panmure Road and the Panmure-Otahuhu Road and upon Penrose Road in the said road district.

## Railway Boards.

60. The following payments by the Ohai Railway Board are validating certain hereby validated, namely:—

payments by Ohai Railway Board.

- (a.) The sum of one hundred pounds as a compassionate allowance to the widow of Joseph Fowler, a late employee of the Board:
- (b.) The sum of three hundred and twenty-three pounds and one penny, the expenses of the official opening of the extension of the Board's railway-line to Ohai.

### Education Authorities.

61. Whereas there was maintained for some years at the Validating Wellington Girls' College a junior department: And whereas owing expenditure by to difficulties of accommodation a loss was in the last years of its of Wellington existence made on the working of the said junior department, and College and Girls High School on a such loss was met by the Board of Governors of the Wellington College junior department and Girls' High School out of moneys not lawfully available for that College. department: And whereas the amount of the loss has been in part met out of other moneys and now stands at one thousand three hundred and twenty-seven pounds seventeen shillings and elevenpence, and there are no further moneys available with which to liquidate it:

And whereas it is desired to validate the expenditure on the said junior department of the amount of the loss still outstanding: Be it therefore enacted as follows:---

Local Legislation.

The expenditure by the Board of Governors of the Wellington College and Girls' High School out of its ordinary revenue of the sum of one thousand three hundred and twenty-seven pounds seventeen shillings and elevenpence on the former junior department of the Wellington Girls' College is hereby validated as if it had been expenditure for the purposes of the secondary department of the College.

## Fire Boards.

62. The Invercargill Fire Board is hereby empowered to spend out its funds a sum not exceeding the sum of twenty-five pounds in such manner as the Board thinks fit in connection with any function that the Board may hold in connection with the official opening of the new fire-brigade station at Invercargill.

Affecting Two or more Classes of Local Authorities.

- 63. (1.) While any of the roads or streets or any parts thereof to which subsection twelve of section seven of the Wellington City and Suburban Highways Construction and Hutt Road Amendment Act, 1924, applies are main highways within the meaning of the Main Highways Act, 1922, and contributions in respect of the maintenance thereof are being paid by the Main Highways Board, the contributions payable by the various local authorities pursuant to the said subsection twelve of the said section seven, and as set out in the Second Schedule to the Wellington City and Suburban Highways Construction and Hutt Road Amendment Act, 1924, shall be reduced by fifty pounds per annum for each lineal mile of such roads or streets or parts thereof.
- (2.) This section shall be deemed to have been in force as from the date of the commencement of the Wellington City and Suburban Highways Construction and Hutt Road Amendment Act, 1924, and shall continue in force until the thirty-first day of March, nineteen hundred and twenty-eight, but no longer.

### Miscellaneous.

64. Whereas the sum of three thousand six hundred pounds (hereinafter referred to as the said fund) was recently raised by public subscription within the Southland and the Wallace and Fiord Hospital Districts for the purpose of providing a fund for the purchase of radium in conjunction with the Otago Hospital Board: And whereas it has become impracticable to use the said fund for the purpose for which it was raised: And whereas it is desirable that the said fund should be invested and the income arising therefrom applied towards assisting to obtain such treatment for persons resident in the said hospital districts and requiring radium treatment: Be it therefore enacted as follows:—

(1.) The following persons (hereinafter referred to as the Trustees) shall be Trustees of the said fund, namely: The Chairman for the time being of the Southland Hospital Board, the Secretary for the time being of the Southland Hospital Board, the President for the time being of the St. John Ambulance Association (Invercargill Branch), and two other persons, one to be appointed by the Southland Division

Authorizing Invercargill Fire Board to expend £25 in official opening of new station.

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Reducing contributions payable by local authorities under Wellington City and Suburban Highways Construction and Hutt Road Amendment Act, 1924.

Making provision for investment and application of certain moneys raised in Southland for Radium Fund.

- of the New Zealand Branch of the British Medical Association (hereinafter referred to as the association) and one by the Invercargill Borough Council.
- (2.) Forthwith on the appointment of the persons to be appointed by the association and the Invercargill Borough Council the said fund shall become and be vested in the Trustees in trust for the purposes of this section.
- (3.) The Trustees are hereby authorized and empowered to invest the said fund in the manner provided by the Trustee Act, 1908, but in the name or names of such person or persons as the Trustees may think fit.
- (4.) The Trustees are hereby authorized to apply the income arising from such investments towards assisting, either directly or through the Southland Hospital Board or the Wallace and Fiord Hospital Board, any person resident within either the Southland or Wallace and Fiord Hospital Districts who, in the opinion of the Trustees, requires radium treatment to obtain such treatment within the said districts or elsewhere in New Zealand.
- (5.) The association or the Invercargill Borough Council may from time to time appoint a new Trustee in the place of any Trustee appointed by them who has died or has resigned, and may from time to time remove any Trustee appointed by them and appoint another in his place.
  - (6.) At any meeting of the Trustees three shall form a quorum.
- (7.) The Governor-General in Council may from time to time alter the purpose to which the income arising from the said fund may be applied, or may direct the Trustees to transfer and pay the said fund to any institution or institutions established under the Hospitals and Charitable Institutions Act, 1908, within the hospital districts of Southland and Wallace and Fiord for the purchase of radium, or for the purpose of establishing or carrying on a radium institute, or for any other purpose approved by the Governor-General in Council, and payment by the Trustees pursuant to such direction shall operate to discharge them from the trusts imposed by this section.
- 65. Whereas the owners or occupiers of certain lands in the Providing for Borough of Alexandra desire to be included in the Manuherikia irriga- inclusion of tion scheme authorized by Order in Council dated the twenty-fourth of Alexandra in day of January nineteen hundred and twenty-fourth day of January, nineteen hundred and twenty-three, and published in Manuherikia Irrigation District. the Gazette of the twenty-fifth day of that month: And whereas it is expedient that the Minister of Public Works be authorized to supply water to the aforesaid lands for irrigation purposes: Be it therefore enacted as follows:-
- (1.) Notwithstanding anything in any Act, the Governor-General may, by Order in Council issued under section two of the Public Works Amendment Act, 1910, authorize the Minister of Public Works to construct and maintain waterworks within the area hereinafter described, and the provisions of the Public Works Act, 1908, and its amendments relating to irrigation works shall extend and apply as if such land was not situated within a borough. No Order in Council in accordance with the provisions of this section shall be issued unless the Alexandra Borough Council consents to water-supply works being constructed and a supply of water given by the Minister of Public Works within the land hereinafter described.

(2.) The land to which this section relates is particularly described as follows:—

All that area of land in the Otago Land District, comprising portion of the Town and Borough of Alexandra, commencing at a point on the bank of the Clutha River on the north-western boundary of the borough; thence easterly generally along the bank of the Clutha River to the south-eastern boundary of the Alexandra Town Belt; thence north-easterly along the aforesaid south-eastern boundary to the water-race reserve in the Borough of Alexandra; thence north-easterly generally along the said water-race reserve, Chicago Street, and Ngapara Street to the said Town Belt; thence south-easterly along the south-western boundary of the said Town Belt to Brandon Street; thence north-easterly along Brandon Street to the north-western boundary of the said Town Belt; thence north-westerly and south-westerly along the said Town Belt to the point of commencement.

Empowering Taupo Totara Timber Company (Limited) to use for carriage of passengers locomotives greater than maximum statutory width. 66. Whereas the settlers served by the Taupo Totara Timber Company's tramway from Putaruru to Mokai have presented a petition to the Minister of Public Works praying that the company be authorized to carry passengers: And whereas certain locomotives in use on such tramway exceed the maximum width which the Governor-General may allow for rolling-stock in accordance with the provisions of the Tramways Act, 1908: And whereas it is expedient that the company be authorized to utilize the existing locomotives in the carriage of passengers: Be it therefore enacted as follows:—

Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in the Tramways Act, 1908, or any other Act, the Taupo Totara Timber Company (Limited), being the proprietor of a private tramway, may, on compliance with the provisions of section two hundred and fourteen of the Public Works Act, 1908, and on receipt of a notice in writing from the Minister of Public Works pursuant to the provisions of that section, use its existing locomotives in connection with the carrying of passengers on its tramway

from Putaruru to Mokai.

Schedule.

## SCHEDULE.

ASHLEY RIVER TRUST ENDOWMENT AREAS VESTED IN CERTAIN BODIES CORPORATE.

First Column.  Description of Area.	Second Column.  Body Corporate in which vested.	Third Column. Purpose of vesting.
All that area in the Canterbury Land District, containing by admeasurement 18 acres 3 roods 26 perches, more or less, being Reserve No. 4136, formerly part of Reserves 1921 and 1380, situated in Block VI, Rangiora Survey District, and bounded as follows: towards the south-west by Reserve 3503, 2310 links; towards the north-east by other part of Reserve 1921 and other part of Reserve 1380, 1241.4 links and 1804.9 links respectively; and towards the south-east by Reserve 3036, a total distance of 1661.0 links: be the aforesaid linkages a little more or less: as the same is more particularly delineated on the plan marked L. and S. 15/147, deposited in the Head Office, Department of Lands and Survey, at Wellington, and thereon bordered red.	Corporation of the Borough of Rangiora	Recreation reserve.

ASHLEY RIVER TRUST ENDOWMENT AREAS VESTED IN CERTAIN BODIES CORPORATE—continued.

First Column.	Second Column.	Third Column.
Description of Area.	Body Corporate in which vested.	Purpose of vesting.
All that area in the Canterbury Land District, containing by admeasurement 3 acres and 25 perches, more or less, being part of Reserve 3503, situated in Block VI of the Rangiora Survey District, and bounded as follows: commencing at the south-east corner of Reserve 3503; thence in a north-westerly direction by the boundary-line between Reserve 3503 and Reserve 1921, a distance of 2310·0 links; again towards the north-west by a line bearing 310° 17′, 98·2 links; thence towards the south-east by a line bearing 166° 34′, 2725·1 links; and towards the north-east by a line bearing 76° 23′, 205·2 links, being the northern boundary of Reserve 3036, to the place of commencement: be all the aforesaid linkages a little more or less: as the same is more particularly delineated on the plan marked L. and S. 15/147a, deposited in the Head Office, Department of Lands and Survey, at Wellington, and thereon bordered red.	Corporation of the Borough of Rangiora	Recreation reserve
All that area in the Canterbury Land District, containing by admeasurement 5 acres 3 roods 38 perches, more or less, being Reserve No. 4139, formerly part of Reserve No. 1380, situated in Block VI, Rangiora Survey District, and bounded as follows: commencing at a point on the north-west boundary of Reserve 1380, the same being distant 1004·2 links from the north-west corner of aforesaid Reserve 1380; thence in a north-easterly direction along the aforesaid north-west boundary of Reserve 1380, 1124·9 links; thence towards the south-east by a line bearing 169° 49′ 25″, 1203·2 links; and towards the north-west by a line bearing 310° 17′, 1562·1 links, to the point of commencement: be all the aforesaid linkages a little more or less: as the same is more particularly delineated on the plan marked L. and S. 15/147B, deposited in the Head Office, Department of Lands and Survey, at Wellington, and thereon bordered red.	Corporation of the Borough of Rangiora	Gravel reserve.
All that area in the Canterbury Land District, containing by admeasurement 10 acres and 18 perches, more or less, being Reserve No. 4140, formerly part of Reserve 1380, situated in Block VI, Rangiora Survey District, and bounded as follows: commencing at a point on the north-west boundary of Reserve 1380, the same being distant 229·1 links from the north-west corner of aforesaid Reserve 1380; thence north-easterly by a line bearing 79° 54′, 1431 links; south-easterly 171° 52′, 713·4 links; south-westerly 259° 54′, 1405·6 links; and north-westerly by a line bearing 349° 49′ 25″, 713·4 links, to the point of commencement: be all the aforesaid linkages a little more or less: as the same is more particularly delineated on the plan marked L. and S. 15/147c, deposited in the Head Office, Department of Lands and Survey, at Wellington, and thereon bordered red.	Corporation of the County of Rangiora	Plantation reserve.

ASHLEY RIVER TRUST ENDOWMENT AREAS VESTED IN CERTAIN BODIES CO	CORPORATE—continued.
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First Column.	Second Column.	Third Column.
Description of Area.	Body Corporate in which vested.	Purpose of vesting.
All that area in the Canterbury Land District, containing by admeasurement 1 acre and 1 perch, more or less, being Reserve 4143, formerly part of Reserve 1380, situated in Block VI, Rangiora Survey District, and bounded as follows: towards the north-west by Reserve 1921, 59 links; towards the north-east by part of aforesaid Reserve 1380, 1794.8 links; and towards the south-east by a road reserve, 57.1 links; and towards the south-west by the Christchurch-Amberley Railway, 1815.4 links: be all the aforesaid linkages a little more or less: as the same is more particularly delineated on the plan marked L. and S. 15/147D, deposited in the Head Office, Department of Lands and Survey, at Wellington, and thereon hordered red	Corporation of the County of Rangiora	Plantation reserve.
bordered red.  All that area in the Canterbury Land District, containing by admeasurement 14 acres 2 roods 20 perches, more or less, being Reserve 4157, formerly part of Reserve 1380, situated in Block VI, Rangiora Survey District, and bounded as follows: commencing at a point on the northern boundary of Reserve 1380, the same being distant 159·1 links in an easterly direction from the intersection of the eastern side of the railway reserve with the northern boundary of said Reserve 1380; thence by a line bearing 79° 54′, 907·4 links, being the boundary between Reserve 1380 aforesaid and Reserve 1921; thence by a line bearing 171° 58′, 1527·7 links; thence south-westerly by the original bank of the Ashley River, now forming the northern boundary of a road reserve, and in a north-westerly direction by a line bearing 351° 58′, 1736·8 links, to the point of commencement: be all the aforesaid linkages a little more or less: as the same is more particularly delineated on the plan marked L. and S. 15/147E, deposited in the Head Office, Department of Lands and Survey, at Wellington, and thereon bordered red	Corporation of the County of Rangiora	Gravel-pit reserve
bordered red.  All that area in the Canterbury Land District, containing by admeasurement 6 acres 1 rood 22 perches, more or less, being Reserve 4137, formerly part of Reserves 1921 and 1380, situated in Block VI, Rangiora Survey District, and bounded as follows: commencing at a point on the north-west boundary of Reserve 1380, the same being distant 485.0 links from the north-west corner of aforesaid Reserve 1380; thence in a north-westerly direction by lines bearing 310° 17′, 1241.4 links, and 342° 55′, 370.9 links; thence in a south-easterly direction by a line bearing 130° 17′, 3536.9 links; thence south-westerly by a line bearing 262° 00′ 30″, 268 links; and again towards the north-west by a line bearing 310° 17′, 1804.9 links, to the point of commencement: save and except therefrom an area 1 chain wide intersecting the above-described area: be all the aforesaid linkages a little more or less: as the same is delineated on the plan marked L. and S. 15/147F, deposited in the Head Office, Department of Lands and Survey, at Wellington, and thereon bordered red.	Corporation of the County of Ashley	Plantation and conservation reserve.

ASHLEY RIVER TRUST ENDOWMENT AREAS VESTED IN CERTAIN BODIES CORPORATE—continued.

First Column.	Second Column.	Third Column.
Description of Area.	Body Corporate in which vested.	Purpose of vesting.
Also all that area in the Canterbury Land District, containing by admeasurement 3 acres 2 roods 24 perches, more or less, being Reserve 4138, formerly part of Reserves 1921 and 1380, situated in Block VI, Rangiora Survey District, and bounded as follows: commencing at a point on the north-west boundary of Reserve 1380, the same being distant 874.4 links from the north-west corner of aforesaid Reserve 1380; thence in a north-westerly direction by a line bearing 313° 58′ 35″, 1959.4 links; thence north-westerly by a line bearing 6° 22′, 126·1 links: thence south-westerly by lines bearing 133° 50′, 2112·4 links; 130° 17′, 1562·1 links; and 169° 49′ 25″, 157·1 links: thence by a line bearing 310° 17′, 1766 links, to the point of commencement: save and except therefrom an area 1 chain square intersecting the above-described area: be all the aforesaid linkages a little more or less: as the same is more particularly delineated on the plan marked L. and S. 15/147a, deposited in the Head Office, Department of Lands and Survey, at Wellington, and thereon bordered red.  All that area in the Canterbury Land District, containing by admeasurement 14 acres 1 rood 20 perches, more or less, being Reserve 4141, formerly part of Reserves 1380 and 3036, situated in Block VI, Rangiora Survey District, and bounded as follows: commencing at a point being the intersection of the east side of Ashley Street with the southern side of Reserve 3036 aforesaid: thence in a north-westerly direction by a line bearing 349° 49′ 25″, 901·9 links; north-easterly 79° 54′, 1405·6 links; south-easterly 171° 52′, 925·4 links, and 170° 07′, 201 links; south-westerly 266° 02′, 819·2 links; and north-westerly 273° 46′, 573 links, to the point of commencement: be all the aforesaid linkages a little more or less: as the same is more particularly delineated on the plan marked L. and S. 15/147H, deposited in the Head Office, Department of Lands and Survey, at Wellington, and thereon bordered red.	Northern Agricultural and Pastoral Asso- ciation (Incorporated)	An estate in feet simple subject to the provisions of the Agricultura and Pastoral Societies Act, 1908