This Public Bill originated in the House of Repre-SENTATIVES, and, having this day passed as now printed, is transmitted to the LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL for its concurrence.

House of Representatives,

8th October, 1936.

Hon. Mr. Nash.

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Title.

An Act to make Provision with respect to Public Finance and other Matters.

BE IT ENACTED by the General Assembly of New Zealand in Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:—

Short Title.

1. This Act may be cited as the Finance Act (No. 2), 1936.

PART I.

Public Revenues and Loans.

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Empowering Minister of Finance to borrow £6,000,000 for certain public works.

- 2. (1) The Minister of Finance is hereby empowered to borrow, on the security of and charged upon the public revenues of New Zealand, such sums of money as he thinks fit, not exceeding in the aggregate the sum of six million pounds.
- (2) The sums so borrowed shall bear interest at such rate as the Minister of Finance prescribes.
- (3) All moneys borrowed under the authority of this section shall, as and when borrowed, be paid into the Public Account to the credit of the General Purposes 20 Account of the Public Works Fund, and shall from time

to time be applied, in such amounts as may be from time to time appropriated by Parliament, for the following purposes, namely:—

(a) The construction of railways and additions to

open lines:

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(b) Additional rolling-stock for open lines, and such other works and purposes in connection therewith as may be authorized:

(c) Telegraph extension:

(d) The construction and improvement of roads, 10 tracks, and bridges for the purpose providing and improving means of access to any lands, developing goldfields, and such other works and purposes in connection therewith as may be authorized: 15

(e) The construction of irrigation works:

(f) The erection of public buildings, including schools:

(g) Other public works, including administrative charges in respect of any public works of the classes referred to in this section.

(4) This section shall be deemed to be an authorizing Act within the meaning of the New Zealand Loans Act, 1932, No. 23 1932, and the moneys herein authorized to be borrowed 25 shall be borrowed under and subject to the provisions of

that Act accordingly.

3. (1) In addition to all moneys which the Minister of Finance has heretofore been authorized to borrow for the purposes of the construction or reconstruction of 30 main highways, the said Minister may for those purposes borrow, on the security of and charged upon the public revenues of New Zealand, such sums of money as he thinks fit, not exceeding in the aggregate the sum of two million pounds.

(2) The sums so borrowed shall bear interest at such

(3) All moneys borrowed under the authority of this

rate as the Minister of Finance prescribes.

section shall, as and when borrowed, be paid into the Public Account to the credit of the Main Highways 40 Account established under section thirteen of the Main See Reprint Highways Act, 1922, and may from time to time be of Statutes, Vol. III, p. 698 applied accordingly in accordance with appropriations by Parliament.

Empowering Minister of Finance to £2,000,000 for construction of main highways.

1932, No. 23

(4) This section shall be deemed to be an authorizing Act within the meaning of the New Zealand Loans Act, 1932, and the moneys herein authorized to be borrowed shall be borrowed under and subject to the provisions of that Act accordingly.

Empowering Minister of Finance to borrow £5,000,000 for purposes of Housing Act, 1919.

See Reprint of Statutes, Vol. III, p. 806

4. (1) In addition to all moneys which the Minister of Finance is authorized to borrow under section thirty of the Housing Act, 1919, for the purposes of Part I of that Act, the said Minister may for those purposes borrow, on the security of and charged upon the public 10 revenues of New Zealand, such sums of money as he thinks fit, not exceeding in the aggregate the sum of five million pounds.

(2) The sums so borrowed shall bear interest at such rate as the Minister of Finance prescribes.

(3) All moneys borrowed under the authority of this section shall, as and when borrowed, be paid into the Housing Account established under section seventeen of

the State Advances Corporation Act, 1936.

(4) This section shall be deemed to be an authorizing 20 Act within the meaning of the New Zealand Loans Act, 1932, and the moneys herein authorized to be borrowed shall be borrowed under and subject to the provisions of that Act accordingly.

5. (1) While this section continues in operation 25 sections forty-seven and forty-eight of the Public Revenues Act, 1926, shall be read and shall operate as if the following amendments were made therein as from the thirty-first day of March, nineteen hundred and thirty-seven:—

(a) The words "space of six months" shall be deemed to be substituted for the words " space of three months "in subsection one of the said section forty-seven:

(b) The words "such six months" shall be deemed 35 to be substituted for the words "such three months" in subsection one of the said section forty-seven:

(c) The words "equal to one-half part of such vote" shall be deemed to be substituted for the words 40 "equal to one-fourth part of such vote" in the first proviso to the said section forty-seven:

(d) The words "the six months thereafter" shall be deemed to be substituted for the words "the three months thereafter" in paragraph (b) 45 of subsection one of the said section forty-eight.

1936, No. 12

1932, No. 23

Temporary amendment of sections 47 and 48 of Public Revenues Act, 1926. See Reprint of Statutes, Vol. VII, p. 26 5

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(2) This section shall, unless sooner repealed, continue in operation until the close of the thirtieth day of September, nineteen hundred and thirty-seven, and no longer.

6. The cost of all British bronze coins purchased Appropriation by or on behalf of the Government of New Zealand (including freight, insurance, the cost of manufacture, coins for and all incidental expenses) shall be paid out of the Public Account without further appropriation than this 10 section.

7. Whereas, in exercise of the powers conferred on Validation him by section thirteen of the Post and Telegraph Act, 1928, the Postmaster-General caused certain special postage-stamps, known as "Anzac Stamps", to be 15 created in commemoration of the twenty-first anniversary of the landing of New Zealand troops on Gallipoli on the twenty-fifth day of April, nineteen hundred and fifteen: And whereas such stamps were sold at a price in excess of their value for postal purposes: And whereas, 20 after deducting the expenses incidental to the creation of Statutes, of the said stamps and their value for postal purposes, the surplus has been paid or has been agreed to be paid to the Dominion Executive of the New Zealand Returned Soldiers' Association: And whereas it is 25 desired to validate such payment: Be it therefore enacted as follows:-

All payments heretofore made to the Dominion Executive of the New Zealand Returned Soldiers' Association out of the proceeds of the sale of "Anzac 30 stamps " are hereby validated, and any payments that may hereafter be made to or on account of the said Association out of such proceeds shall be deemed to be lawfully made.

8. In respect of the period beginning on the first Portion of 35 day of August, nineteen hundred and thirty-six, and ending on the thirty-first day of July, nineteen hundred and thirty-seven, every racing club may deduct and retain for its own use from the totalizator duty payable by it under section one hundred and ninety-two of the Stamp 40 Duties Act, 1923, as amended by subsection two of section twenty-five of the Finance Act, 1930, in connection Vol. VII, p. 459 with every race meeting or separate day of a race meeting conducted by it in that period, an amount equal to one-fifth of the amount of such duty so payable by it.

of cost of British bronze New Zealand.

Returned Association of portion of "Anzac" stamps. See Reprint

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provisions for pensions to wives whose husbands are mentally defective. 1936, No. 26

As to method of computing invalidity pension payable to married woman. 1936, No. 26

9. (1) Section twenty-six of the Pensions Act, 1926, is hereby amended by omitting from subsection one the words "whose father is dead, and"; and by adding to that subsection the following proviso:—

"Provided that a pension shall not be granted under this section to any woman in respect of any child or children unless the father of such child or children is dead or is subject to a reception-order under the Mental Defectives Act, 1911, or is detained in an institution under that Act, or has failed to make adequate pro- 10 vision for the maintenance of such child or children."

(2) No pension shall be granted under the said section twenty-six in respect of any child who is over the age of fifteen years.

10. Section seventy-four of the Pensions Act, 1926, 15 is hereby amended by omitting from subsection one the words "without further appropriation than this Act", and substituting the words "out of moneys appropriated by Parliament".

11. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in 20 section thirty-six of the Finance Act, 1929 (relating to the computation of miners' pensions), or in section eighteen of the Pensions Amendment Act, 1936 (relating to the computation of invalidity pensions), in computing, in respect of a married man, the amount of a miner's 25 pension or of an invalidity pension payable to him, no allowance shall be payable in respect of his wife for any period in respect of which she is in receipt of a pension under the Pensions Act, 1926.

12. Section nine of the Pensions Amendment Act, 30 1936, is hereby amended by adding to subsection one the words "or to any married woman whose husband is for the time being detained as a voluntary boarder in accordance with Part V of that Act ".

13. Section eighteen of the Pensions Amendment 35 Act, 1936, is hereby amended as from the passing of that Act by inserting after paragraph (a) of subsection two the following new paragraph:

"(aa) In any case where the applicant is a married woman, the annual amount so computed shall 40 be diminished as follows:—

> "(i) By one pound for every complete pound of the total annual income of the applicant and of her husband in excess of one hundred and four pounds; and also

"(ii) By one pound of every complete ten pounds of the net capital value of the accumulated property of the applicant and of her husband, computed as in the case of an application for an old-age pension."

PART II.

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LOCAL AUTHORITIES.

14. (1) Any local authority within the meaning of Local the Local Bodies' Loans Act, 1926, may (unless a poll authorities 10 of ratepayers is demanded in accordance with the without poll provisions of subsection three hereof), by special order of ratepayers, and without taking the steps prescribed by sections nine to thirteen of the Local Bodies' Loans Act, 1926, subsidized borrow such moneys as may be required for any public 15 work undertaken or proposed to be undertaken by that local authority for the relief of unemployment, if in respect of that work a grant out of the Employment of Statutes, Promotion Fund has been authorized pursuant to paragraph (d) of section thirty-six of the Employment 1936, No. 3 20 Promotion Act, 1936, and has been approved by the Minister of Finance pursuant to subsection two of section thirty-four of that Act.

(2) For the purposes of this section the expression "special order" means such an order made in 25 accordance with the provisions of any Act in force by virtue of which a local authority can make a special order and, where there is no such provision, means a resolution passed by the local authority at a special meeting convened for the purpose and confirmed at a 30 subsequent meeting (either ordinary or special) held not sooner than the twenty-eighth day and not later than the forty-second day after the day on which such special meeting was held. Public notice of the place and date fixed for such subsequent meeting and 35 of such resolution shall be given once in each of the four weeks immediately preceding the day on which such subsequent meeting is to be held.

(3) At any time before the date fixed for the confirmation of a resolution to raise a special loan by 40 special order under the authority of this section, not less than five per centum of the ratepayers whose names

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are inscribed on the ratepayers' roll of the district may by writing under their hands, delivered or sent by post to the local authority, demand that a poll be taken on the proposal to raise such special loan.

(4) Every public notice of a resolution to raise any 5 loan under the authority of this section shall, in addition to any other particulars required to be given therein, contain a statement to the effect that a poll of the ratepayers is required to be taken if five per centum of the ratepayers of the district so demand, by writing 10 under their hands delivered or sent by post to the local authority concerned.

(5) Where a local authority proposes to raise a loan by special order under the provisions of this section, the notice required to be given to the Minister of Finance 15 under section ten of the Local Government Loans Board Act, 1926, shall not be given until after the confirmation of the resolution to raise the loan by special order.

15. (1) Where an Electric-power Board constituted the Electric-power Boards Act, 1925, has 20 heretofore raised or hereafter raises a loan for the purpose of the reticulation of its district or any defined portion thereof, and as security for such loan has made and levied a special rate over the whole or any part of its district (hereinafter in this section referred to as 25 the rating area), the Board may by special order, and without taking the steps prescribed by sections nine to thirteen of the Local Bodies' Loans Act, 1926, raise a further special loan to provide additional moneys for the further reticulation of such rating area:

Provided that no moneys shall be borrowed by special order under this section if, before the date fixed pursuant to section forty-five of the Electric-power Boards Act, 1925, for the confirmation of the resolution to raise the loan by special order, not less than five 35 per centum of the ratepayers whose names are inscribed on the ratepayers roll of the rating area, by writing under their hands delivered or sent by post to the Electric-power Board, demand that a poll be taken on the proposal.

(2) Every public notice of a resolution to which this section applies, given pursuant to paragraph (c) of subsection one of section forty-five of the Electric-power Boards Act, 1925, shall, in addition to any other

See Reprint of Statutes, Vol. V, p. 418

Authorizing Electric-power Boards to raise additional loans for reticulation purposes without poll of ratepayers. Ibid., Vol. III, p. 4; Ibid., Vol. V, p. 360

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particulars required to be given therein, contain a statement to the effect that a poll of the ratepayers is required to be taken if five per centum of the ratepayers of the rating area so demand, by writing under their 5 hands delivered or sent by post to the Board.

(3) In any case to which this section applies, the notice required to be given to the Minister of Finance under section ten of the Local Government Loans Board Act, 1926, shall not be given until after the confirmation 10 of the resolution to raise the loan by special order.

16. (1) In this section the term "local authority" As to payment means any local authority or public body that for the by local time being is a local authority within the meaning of the of interest on Local Government Loans Board Act, 1926, whether by renewal loans. 15 virtue of section two of that Act or of any Order in See Reprint of Statutes, Council thereunder, or by virtue of the provisions of any Vol. V, p. 415 other Act.

(2) It shall be lawful and shall be deemed at all times heretofore to have been lawful for any local 20 authority to pay interest, on moneys borrowed for the purpose of paying off an existing loan, in respect of the period intervening between the borrowing of such moneys and the repayment of the existing loan.

17. It shall be deemed to have been lawful for any Extending 25 Hospital Board to have borrowed by way of bank authority of overdraft during the year ended the thirty-first day of Boards to March, nineteen hundred and thirty-six, an amount borrow during approved by the Minister of Health in excess of ended 31st that authorized by section sixty of the Hospitals and March, 1936. 30 Charitable Institutions Act, 1926, to the extent of Vol. III, p. 748 one-fourth of the estimated contributions payable to the Board by contributory local authorities during that year together with one-fourth of the estimated amount receivable by way of subsidy on such contributions.

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for any Borough Council, County Council, Town Board, or Road Board to expend out of its General Fund any local sum or sums of money in connection with the public authorities observances on the occasion of the death of His late with the death 40 Majesty King George the Fifth and the public of His late Majesty King Proclamation of the accession to the Throne of His George V and Majesty King Edward the Eighth.

18. It shall be and be deemed to have been lawful validating in connection the accession of His Majesty King Edward VIII.

PART III.

MISCELLANEOUS.

Additional powers of investment of moneys in common fund of Public Trust Office.
See Reprint of Statutes, Vol. VIII, p. 945

19. (1) In addition to the powers of investment conferred on him by the Public Trust Office Act, 1908, the Public Trustee may invest any moneys belonging to the common fund of the Public Trust Office as follows:—

(a) In the bonds, stock, or other securities of the State Advances Corporation of New Zealand, or in advances by way of mortgage on the security of any such bonds, stock, or other 10 securities:

(b) In advances by way of mortgage on the security of any bonds, stock, debentures, or other securities issued by any Government or by any local authority or public body, if the purchase 15 of such bonds, stock, debentures, or other securities as aforesaid would constitute a lawful investment of such moneys.

(2) Any advances by way of mortgage under the authority of the *last preceding* subsection may be for 20 any amount not exceeding *nine-tenths* of the nominal value of the security, and may be for such term, at such rate of interest, and generally upon such terms and conditions as the Public Trustee shall determine.

20. Section thirty-four of the Public Trust Office Act, 25 1908, is hereby amended as follows:—

(a) By omitting from the proviso to paragraph (b) thereof the expression "three-fifths", and substituting the expression "two-thirds"; and by omitting from the same proviso the 30 expression "two-thirds", and substituting the expression "one-half"; and

(b) By omitting from paragraphs (c) and (e) thereof the expression "three-fifths", and in each case substituting the expression "two-thirds". 35

21. (1) Section eighty-seven of the Public Trust Office Act, 1908, is hereby amended by adding to subsection one thereof the following paragraphs:—

"(l) To carry on any business forming part of the said property for a period not exceeding two 40 years:

Margin of security for investments by Public Trustee. Ibid., p. 945

Extending powers of Public Trustee with respect to unclaimed property. Ibid., p. 966

"(m) To exercise any power of sale or other power conferred upon the owner of the said property by any mortgage or lease or by statute:

"(n) To borrow from the common fund of the × 5 Public Trust Office, or from such other source as the Public Trustee thinks fit, such moneys as may be required for the purpose of making any payments which he is 10 authorized or required to make in respect of the said property, and to execute such mortgage or mortgages of the said property or any part thereof as he shall think fit to secure the repayment of such moneys and the payment of interest thereon: 15

"(o) Any other powers that the Judge thinks necessary or expedient for the advantageous administration of the said property.

(2) The said section is hereby further amended by

20 adding thereto the following subsection:

"(3) The Public Trustee may at any time apply to the Supreme Court ex parte for directions with respect to the exercise of any of the powers conferred by or pursuant to the foregoing provisions of this section, 25 and the Court may on such application make such order as in the circumstances it thinks fit."

22. Nothing in the Public Revenues Act, 1926, shall Public Trustee operate to prevent the Public Trustee from opening, or may open keeping open, or operating upon a separate account in accounts for 30 connection with any business carried on by him for the estates benefit of any estate under administration by him, and by him. the said account may be opened with any bank or with any stock-and-station agent, and the receipts of the said business may be deposited in the said account and the 35 outgoings may be paid therefrom, and the Public Trustee shall be entitled to delegate to any manager or other person employed in connection with the said business the power to operate upon the said account.

23. (1) Subject to the provisions of this section, the Authorizing 40 power conferred on the Governor-General in Council by variation of section nineteen of the Government Life Insurance Act, interest on 1908, to fix the rates of interest payable on loans granted loans secured under that section may be exercised to vary the rate of Life Insurance interest payable on existing loans as well as to fix the policies. 45 rate payable in respect of new loans:

by Government See Reprint

of Statutes, Vol. IV, p. 62 Provided that, where the rate of interest or the maximum rate of interest payable in respect of any loan is specifically fixed in the instrument securing the loan, the rate so fixed may be reduced but shall not be increased under the authority of this section.

(2) Where, in any case to which the proviso to the last preceding subsection applies, the rate of interest has been reduced by the operation of Part III of the National Expenditure Adjustment Act, 1932, the reduced rate shall not be increased under the authority of this 10 section.

(3) Any variation made pursuant to this section in the rate of interest payable in respect of any loan shall take effect on a date to be fixed in accordance with the provisions in that behalf of the Order in Council by 15 which the variation is effected (being a date either before or after the date of the Order in Council).

(4) Section twenty-nine of the Finance Act (No. 2), 1935, is hereby repealed.

24. Section twenty-seven of the Government Life 20 Insurance Act, 1908, is hereby amended by omitting from subsection two the expression "three-fifths", and substituting the expression "two-thirds".

25. (1) In this section the expression "the said paragraph (h)" means paragraph (h) of subsection one 25 of section thirteen of the Reserve Bank of New Zealand Act, 1933, as enacted in section six of the Finance Act, 1934, as amended by section thirteen of the Reserve Bank of New Zealand Amendment Act, 1936; and the expression "the said paragraph (i)" 30 means paragraph (i) of section fourteen of the Reserve Bank of New Zealand Act, 1933, as amended by section fifteen of the Reserve Bank of New Zealand Amendment Act, 1936.

(2) It is hereby declared that the authority conferred 35 on the Reserve Bank of New Zealand by the said paragraph (h) shall not be deemed to be restricted or in any way affected by the provisions of the said paragraph (i).

(3) Section fifteen of the Reserve Bank of New 40 Zealand Amendment Act, 1936, is hereby amended by inserting, after the words "to the Treasury" in subsection two, the words "or to any incorporated Department of State, or to any local authority or public body".

1932, No. 8

Repeal. 1935, No. 41

Margin of security for investments of Government Insurance Account.

See Reprint of Statutes, Vol. IV, p. 65

Declaratory provision as to authority of Reserve Bank to buy Government and other securities.

1933, No. 11; 1934, No. 3; 1936, No. 1

26. Paragraph (ii) of subsection one of section Reserve Bank thirteen of the Reserve Bank of New Zealand Act, 1933 (as enacted in section fourteen of the Reserve Bank of State Advances New Zealand Amendment Act, 1936), is hereby amended 5 by adding thereto the words "or by the State Advances 1936, No. 1 Corporation of New Zealand ".

may underwrite loans raised by Corporation. 1933, No. 11;

27. (1) The appointment of Mark Silverstone, Validating Esquire, of Dunedin, as a member of the Board of appointment Directors of the Reserve Bank of New Zealand, is hereby of Board 10 declared to be and at all times heretofore to have been Grank. valid, and the said Mark Silverstone may continue to hold 1933, No. 11; office as a member of the said Board and may at any 1936, No. 1 time hereafter be reappointed a member of the said Board, in accordance with the provisions of section 15 seven of the Reserve Bank of New Zealand Amendment Act, 1936, notwithstanding the disqualification contained in paragraph (a) of subsection one of section thirty-two of the Reserve Bank of New Zealand Act, 1933.

(2) Except as provided in the last preceding 20 subsection, the said Mark Silverstone shall hold office subject to the provisions of section thirty-two of the Reserve Bank of New Zealand Act, 1933.

28. (1) In determining the amount of compensation Assessment of to be awarded on a claim for the hearing of which a compensation for lands 25 Compensation Court is hereafter constituted under taken under Part III of the Public Works Act, 1928, or on an Act, 1928. application hereafter made to the Native Land Court see Reprint under section one hundred and four of that Act, the of Statutes, Vol. VII, Court shall act in accordance with the following rules:— pp. 645, 657, 30

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(a) The value of land shall, subject as hereinafter provided, be taken to be the amount which the land if sold in the open market by a willing seller might be expected to realize:

Provided that the provisions of this paragraph shall not affect the assessment of compensation for disturbance or any other matter not directly based on the value of land:

(b) The special suitability or adaptability of the land for any purpose shall not be taken into account if that purpose is a purpose to which it could be applied only in pursuance of statutory powers, or for which there is no market apart from the special needs of a particular purchaser or the requirements of any Government Department or any local or public authority:

(c) Where the value of the land taken for any public work is increased or reduced by the work or by the prospect of the execution of the work, the amount of that increase or reduction shall not be taken into account:

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(d) The Court shall take into account by way of deduction from the total amount of compensation that would otherwise be awarded on any claim in respect of a public work (whether for land taken or injuriously affected or otherwise) 10 any increase caused or likely to be caused by the work or by the prospect of the execution of the work in the value of any land of the claimant that is injuriously affected by the work, or in the value of any other land in which 15

the claimant has an interest.

Repeal.

Saving.

Minister not bound to acquire lands used for certain public works. See Reprint of Statutes, Vol. VIII, p. 752 1936, No. 3

(2) This section is in substitution for section seventy-nine of the Public Works Act, 1928, and that section is hereby accordingly repealed.

(3) Notwithstanding the repeal of the said section 20 seventy-nine, all claims for the hearing of which a Compensation Court has been duly constituted before the passing of this Act, and all applications made before the passing of this Act to the Native Land Court under section one hundred and four of the Public Works Act, 25

respects as if this section had not been passed.

29. (1) The Minister of Public Works may erect, construct, provide, maintain, repair, and use any work authorized by Part XI of the Public Works Act, 1928, or 30 by section thirty-nine of the Employment Promotion Act, 1936, without being bound to acquire the land or any portion of the land used for the purposes of such work, and for any of those purposes the said Minister or any person acting with his authority may enter at any time 35 upon any such land.

1928, shall be determined in the same manner in all

(2) Where the Minister of Public Works, acting under the authority of this section, or under any other lawful authority, uses land for the purposes of any public work without acquiring the same, any compensa- 40 tion payable in respect of the use of such land shall be

determined in accordance with the provisions of section

forty-two of the Public Works Act, 1928:

Provided that in any case where the provisions of section forty-three of the said Act would apply if such land had been acquired by the Minister, they shall, with the necessary modifications, apply notwithstanding that 5 the land has not been so acquired. In any case to which this proviso applies the use of any land by the Minister shall, for the purposes of the assessment of compensation by a Compensation Court, be deemed to be the resumption or taking possession thereof.

10 (3) The provisions of this section shall be deemed to apply with respect to any such work which has been carried out or has been commenced before the passing

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30. (1) The Minister of Public Works is hereby Authorizing 15 authorized to construct works for the drainage and control of Lake Ellesmere in the Canterbury Land and reclamation District, and for the protection of lands adjacent to such works in lake, including the construction of a permanent outlet Ellesmere from the said lake to the sea.

construction of drainage connection with Lake lands.

20 (2) All moneys held in the Public Works Fund and received on account of leases of the lands known as the Ellesmere Lake lands (being the lands to which section three hundred and eighty-three of the Land Act, 1924, See Reprint relates), may be applied towards meeting the cost of vol. IV, p. 802 25 the said works.

(3) All moneys hereafter received in respect of leases of the lands referred to in the last preceding subsection shall be disposed of in accordance with the provisions of section twenty of the Land Act, 1924.

(4) Subsection two of section three hundred and Repeals. eighty-three of the Land Act, 1924, is hereby repealed.

(5) Section six of the Ellesmere Lands Drainage Act, 1905, No. 59 1905, is hereby repealed. Notwithstanding the repeal of the said section, a proportionate part of the subsidy 35 mentioned therein may be paid for the current year.

(6) The Ellesmere Lands Drainage Board is hereby authorized to contribute towards the cost of the works authorized by subsection one hereof, and for that purpose may raise a special loan in the manner 40 prescribed by and subject to the provisions the Local Bodies' Loans Act, 1926. Any special loan Ibid., so raised shall be deemed to have been raised under Vol. V, p. 360; Ibid., Vol. IV, the powers conferred upon the Board by the Land p. 466 Drainage Act, 1908, and the provisions of that Act shall 45 apply in the same manner as if the said works were to be constructed by the Board under the powers conferred by that Act.

(7) The Minister shall give notice in writing to the Ellesmere Lands Drainage Board when the construction of the said works or of any section thereof has been completed, and from a date to be specified in such notice in that behalf the said works or the specified section thereof shall be controlled and maintained by the said Board.

Protection superannuation rights of certain persons who have received payments for special services. See Reprint of Statutes, Vol. VII, pp. 574, 593

31. (1) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in section thirty-three or in section seventy-eight of the Public Service Superannuation Act, 1927, it shall be and 10 be deemed to have been lawful to pay out of the Public Service Superannuation Fund or the Teachers' Superannuation Fund, as the case may be, to each of the persons hereinafter mentioned, the full amount of his retiring-allowance under that Act for any period or periods for which he has received or may hereafter receive payment for any of the special services hereinafter referred to.

(2) The persons to whom this section refers are the following: John Ralfe Smith, Esquire (being a former contributor to the Public Service Superannuation Fund); and James Macintosh Simmers, Esquire; John Cook, Esquire; Robert Crawford Drummond, Esquire; Balfour Kean, Esquire; David Walker Low, Esquire; John Neill, Esquire; John Ernest Purchase, 25 Esquire: George Edward Robertson, Esquire: William Fitzgerald Watters, Esquire; James Costin Webb, Esquire; and Alexander Lamont Wyllie, Esquire (being former contributors to the Teachers' Superannuation

(3) The special services hereinbefore referred to are the following:

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(a) In relation to John Ralfe Smith, services as an officer employed under and for the purposes of the Broadcasting Act, 1936:

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(b) In relation to James Macintosh Simmers. services in connection with the setting and marking of examination-papers for the Education Department in the year nineteen hundred and thirty-five:

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(c) In relation to the other persons to whom this section refers, services in connection with the supervision of examinations for the University of New Zealand in the years nineteen hundred and twenty-eight to nineteen hundred and thirty-five (inclusive).

32. The provisions of the Electoral Act, 1927, or any Members of other Act as to the disqualification of members of Parliamentary Parliament, shall not apply with respect to any payment to Cook 10 which under the authority of any appropriation made listands not disqualified by by Parliament has been or may hereafter be received by receipt of Sidney George Holland, Esquire, Clifford Lorrie payment in Hunter, Esquire, or John Robertson, Esquire, in respect their services. of their services as members of a Parliamentary

15 delegation to the Cook Islands. 33. The Nelson Diocesan Trust Board, Incorporated, Authorizing and the Tahuna Sands Association, Incorporated, Nelson are hereby respectively authorized to make a grant Trust Board or grants, not exceeding, in the case of either of and Tahuna 20 the said corporations, the sum of one hundred and fifty Association

pounds, to Richard Henry Hounsell, of Hastings, out to make of funds bequeathed to the said corporations by the R. H. Hounsell. late J. E. Hounsell, of Nelson.

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