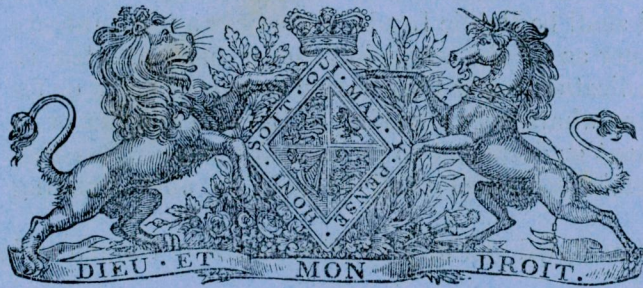


This PUBLIC BILL originated in the LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY, and, having this day passed, is now ready for presentation to the LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL for its concurrence.

*Legislative Assembly Chamber, }
Sydney, 11 April, 1861. }*

CHA. TOMPSON
Clerk of Legislative Assembly.

New South Wales.



ANNO VICESIMO TERTIO

VICTORIÆ REGINÆ.

No. .

An Act to remove any doubts that may exist as to the Church and School Lands being Waste Lands of the Crown.

WHEREAS by a certain Charter under the hand of Lieutenant-General Preamble.
Ralph Darling Captain General and Governor in Chief of this Colony bearing date the ninth day of March one thousand eight hundred and twenty-six a Corporation was established and certain Waste Lands of the Crown were granted to the said Corporation for "the establishment
5 " and support within the Colony of New South Wales of the Protestant
" Reformed Religion as by law established in England and Ireland and
" for the Education of Youth in the discipline and according to the
" principles of the United Church of England and Ireland" And whereas
10 by the said Charter a right was reserved to the Crown to dissolve the
said Corporation and resume the said lands And whereas accordingly
by an order of His late Majesty King George the Fourth in Council
bearing date the fourth day of February one thousand eight hundred and
thirty-three the said Corporation was dissolved And whereas in an
15 Act of this Colony fifth William the Fourth number eleven it is recited
that all the Lands held by the said Corporation at the time of its dissolution
as aforesaid became and were thereupon vested in His Majesty in
right of His Crown of England His Heirs and Successors And whereas
by the Constitution Act ratified by Her Majesty under the authority of
20 the Imperial Act eighteen and nineteen Victoria chapter fifty-four
section fifty it is enacted that the several sums mentioned in Schedules
A B and C to the said Constitution Act should be accepted and taken by
" Her Majesty Her Heirs and Successors by way of Civil List instead of
" all temporal casual and other revenue of the Crown including all royalties
25 " from whatever source arising within the said Colony and to the disposal
" of

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“ of which the Crown might be entitled either absolutely or conditionally
 “ or otherwise howsoever” And whereas doubts have arisen as to the
 validity of the original Grant of the said Lands and also as to the tenure
 by which the same are now held by the Crown And it is expedient to
 5 remove such doubts Be it therefore declared and enacted by the Queen’s
 Most Excellent Majesty by and with the advice and consent of the Legis-
 lative Council and Legislative Assembly of New South Wales in Parliament
 assembled and by the authority of the same as follows :—

1. All the Lands originally granted to the Church and School Church and School
Lands Waste Lands
of the Crown.
 10 Corporation and known as the “ Church and School Lands ” shall be
 deemed to be and are and shall be Public Lands of the Crown to all intents
 and purposes in like manner as if the same had never been granted as
 aforesaid or granted or dedicated to any Corporation or person or to or for
 any public or other purpose whatsoever anything in the said Charter or in
 15 any Act or other instrument or document to the contrary notwithstanding
 Provided that nothing herein contained shall be held to affect existing
 contracts.

2. This Act shall be styled and may be cited as the “ Church and Short Title.
 School Lands Act of 1861.”