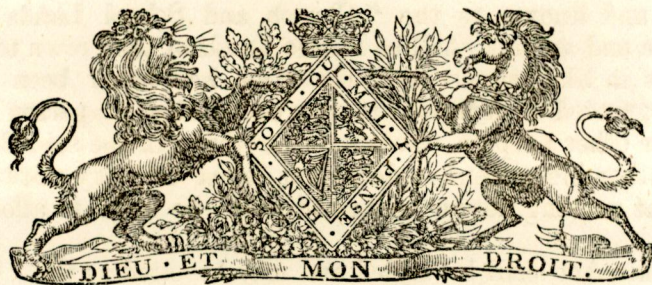


This PUBLIC BILL originated in the LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY, and, having this day passed, is now ready for presentation to the LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL, for its concurrence.

*Legislative Assembly Chamber, }
Sydney, 25 October, 1861. }*

CHA. TOMPSON,
Clerk of Legislative Assembly.

New South Wales.



ANNO VICESIMO QUINTO

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 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 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 by the Act of this Colony fifth William the Fourth number two it was declared 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 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

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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 from what-
 “ ever source arising within the said Colony and to the disposal of which
 5 “ the Crown might be entitled either absolutely or conditionally or other-
 “ wise 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 remove such
 doubts Be it therefore declared and enacted by the Queen’s Most Excellent
 10 Majesty by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative 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. Corporation and known as the “Church and School Lands” shall be
 15 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
 any Act or other instrument or document to the contrary notwithstanding
 20 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
 School Lands Act of 1861.”

Short Title.

Sydney: Thomas Richards, Government Printer.—1861.

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