PERPETUAL TRUSTEE COMPANY BILL.

SCHEDULE of Amendments referred to in Message of 12 June, 1888.

Page 2, clause 6, line 34. After "unpaid" insert "of which paid up capital twenty thousand pounds "shall be invested in the purchase of debentures or inscribed stock in such of the "public funds of the Colony as the directors of the Company may select in the name "of the Colonial Treasurer in trust for the Company, but transferable only with the "joint consent of the said Treasurer and the Company, or upon the order of the "Supreme Court or a Judge thereof"

Page 2, clause 6, lines 43 to 50. Omit "so soon as the Company shall possess a paid-up capital of not less "than twenty-five thousand pounds, of which paid-up capital twenty thousand pounds shall be "be invested in the purchase of debentures or inscribed stock in such of the public funds of the "Colony as the directors of the Company may select in the name of the Colonial Treasurer in

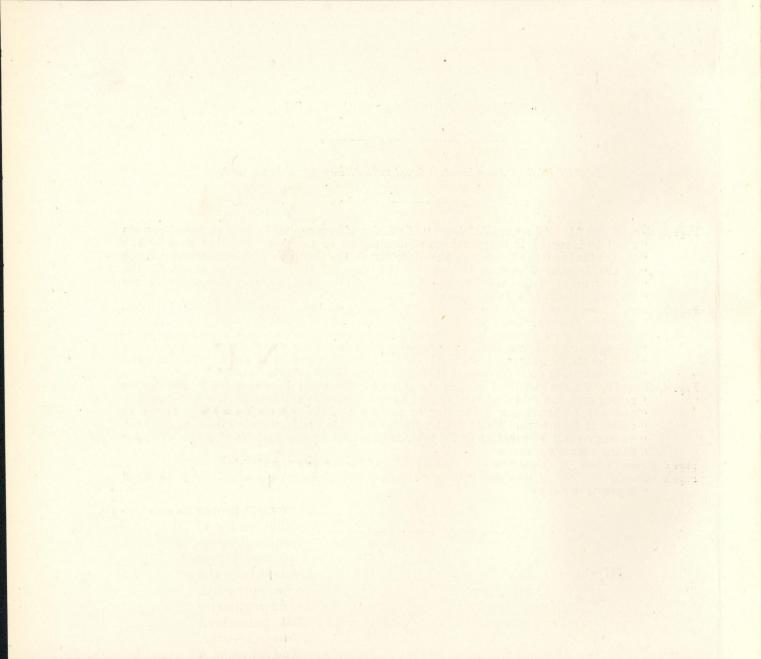
"trust for the Company, but transferable only with the joint consent of the said Treasurer and

"the Company, or upon the order of the Supreme Court or of a Judge thereof"

Page 4, clause 12. At the end of clause add "and no person shall be appointed a director or "manager of the said Company unless he is a bona fide resident of New South Wales, "and any person being a director or manager of the said Company who ceases to "reside in New South Wales shall, upon so ceasing to reside, vacate his office, and such "vacancy shall be filled up in the manner provided by the Articles of Association for "filling casual vacancies"

Page 6, clause 19, line 9. Omit "two pounds ten shillings," insert "five pounds"

Page 6, clause 20, line 33. After "shall" insert "together with interest at current rates on fixed "deposits in banks"



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

Legislative Council Chamber, Sydney, 26th October, 1887.

JOHN J. CALVERT, Clerk of the Parliaments.

The Legislative Assembly has this day agreed to this Bill with Amendments.

Legislative Assembly Chamber, Sydney, 12 June, 1888. F. W. WEBB, Clerk of Legislative Assembly.

New South Wales.



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VICTORIÆ REGINÆ.

An Act to confer powers upon the "Perpetual Trustee Company (Limited)."

THEREAS in this Colony it is often difficult to procure proper Preamble. persons to undertake the onerous and responsible duties of trustee, executor, or administrator. And whereas the deaths, resignations, and absence from the Colony of executors, trustees, and others 5 filling similar offices are often attended with great disadvantage and loss to the estates with the administration of which they are entrusted. And whereas it is desirable for the purpose of obtaining regularity and security in the administration of trust estates that permanent corporations should be empowered to fill the offices of trustee, executor, 10 administrator, receiver, agent, and other like offices. And whereas a certain Company, styled the "Perpetual Trustee Company (Limited)," has been registered under the Companies Act, with a capital of one million pounds divisible into one hundred thousand shares of ten pounds each, for the purpose of undertaking the duties of such offices 15 as aforesaid for a commission. And whereas it is expedient that the necessary powers should be conferred upon the said Company, hereinafter called the Company, in order to enable it to act as executor, administrator, administrator with the will annexed, trustee, receiver, committee of the estates of persons of unsound mind, and as agents, and 20 to perform and discharge all the duties of such offices and to receive c 14-A remuneration

remuneration therefor, and to confer upon the Company all such privileges and powers as are necessary or expedient for the purposes aforesaid. Be it therefore enacted by the Queen's Most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council 5 and Legislative Assembly of New South Wales in Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows-

1. Whenever the Company has been or shall be named as Company may act as executor in the last will and testament or in the codicil to the last executor and obtain probate. will and testament of any testator it shall be lawful for the Company 10 to act as executor and to apply for and to obtain probate of the will of the testator and to perform and to discharge all other the acts and

duties of an executor as fully and effectually as any other executor.

2. It shall be lawful for any person or persons entitled to obtain Person entitled to letters of administration with the will of any testator annexed of the obtain letters of administration with 15 estate of such testator, to authorize the Company to apply for and to the will annexed may obtain letters of administration with the will annexed, which may be authorize Company to do so. granted to the Company upon its own application when so authorized.

3. It shall be lawful for any person or persons entitled to obtain Persons entitled to letters of administration of the estate of any intestate as his or her next administration may 20 of kin, to authorize the Company to apply for such letters of administra- authorize Company tion, and administration of the estate of the intestate may be granted to do so. to the Company upon its own application when so authorized.

4. It shall be lawful for the Company where the administration Company on being of any estate with or without the will annexed has been granted to it, administration may 25 to do and perform all acts and duties which belong to the office of administrator or administrator with the will annexed, as the case may which belong to the office of administrator with the will annexed, as the case may be, notwithstanding its incorporation.

5. In all cases in which the Company is empowered under this its incorporation.

apply for probate or for letters of administrative during the incorporation. Act to apply for probate or for letters of administration, an affidavit affidavit of managing 30 made by the managing director, manager, or acting manager of the director, manager, or Company shall be received instead of any affidavit required by any in applications for Charter Act of Parliament or rule of Court to be made by persons probate or making application for probate or administration. making application for probate or letters of administration.

6. All the capital, both paid and unpaid, of which paid-up Assets of Company 35 capital twenty thousand pounds shall be invested in the purchase of to be liable for proper administration of estates, and the destruction of estates, and as the directors of the Company may select in the name of the Colonial no bond to administer to be required when Treasurer in trust for the Company, but transferable only with the joint paid-up capital is consent of the said Treasurer and the Company, or upon the order of £25,000, of which £20,000 is invested to the Supreme Court or of a Judge thereof, and all other assets of the in Government

Company, shall be liable for the proper administration of all estates securities. of which the Company shall act as executor or administrator, and so soon as the Company shall possess a paid-up capital of not less than twenty-five thousand pounds, of which paid-up capital twenty

45 thousand pounds shall be invested in the purchase of debentures or inscribed stock in such of the public funds of the Colony as the

directors of the Company may select in the name of the Colonial Treasurer in trust for the Company, but transferable only with the joint consent of the said Treasurer and the Company, or upon the order

50 of the Supreme Court or of a Judge thereof, no bond for the due administration of any estate shall be required to be given by or on behalf of the Company, except in respect of estates exceeding twenty thousand pounds in value, in which the said Court or a Judge thereof shall otherwise order, and all interest and income to accrue from time

55 to time from or in respect of all such debentures and inscribed stock shall be paid by the said Treasurer to the Company as and when the same shall respectively become payable.

7. It shall be lawful for any Court or Judge or person now or Company may be hereafter having power to appoint trustees, receivers, committees of the appointed trustee, receiver, committees, for estates of persons of unsound mind, or guardians of the estates of infants, or guardian of estate.

in any case to appoint the Company to be trustee, receiver, committee, or guardian as the case may be, and upon any such appointment all the capital of the Company, both paid and unpaid, and all other assets of the Company, and the managing director, manager, or acting manager, as 5 the case may be, and directors, and their respective estates, shall be liable for the proper discharge of the duties of the office, either of trustee, receiver, committee, or guardian, as the case may be, and so soon as the Company shall possess a paid-up capital of not less than twenty-five thousand pounds, of which paid-up capital twenty thousand 10 pounds shall be invested as aforesaid, no bond or recognizance for the proper discharge of such duties shall be required to be given by or on behalf of the Company. Provided that the Company shall not be so appointed trustee of any deed or will which shall forbid the appointment of a Company as trustee thereof, nor in any case in which the majority 15 of the persons who shall be beneficially interested shall not consent to

such appointment, unless the consent of the Primary Judge in Equity of the Supreme Court shall have been first obtained.

8. It shall be lawful for the Company to act as attorney when- Company may act ever it shall be appointed by deed attorney for any person or any under power of attorney by managing 20 corporation, and all the powers conferred upon the Company by any director manager power-of-attorney may be exercised and carried into execution by the acting manager or managing director, manager or two directors. managing director, manager, acting manager, or by any two of the directors of the Company, but in all cases the capital, both paid and unpaid, and all other assets of the Company, shall be liable for the due 25 execution of the powers so conferred upon the Company. always that nothing herein contained shall be deemed to authorize any person, Company, or corporation to confer any power upon the Company

which cannot by law be delegated or performed by attorney.

9. It shall be lawful for any executor, administrator, or trustee, Executor 30 by deed to delegate to the Company as his attorney all such trusts and administrator or trustee may delegate powers as may by law be delegated, and all acts done by the Company trusts to Company. within the scope of such delegation shall, in favour of any persons dealing with the Company without notice of the death of or revocation of authority by such executor, administrator, or trustee, be valid and 35 effectual notwithstanding such death or revocation.

10. It shall be lawful for the Supreme Court or any Judge Executors or thereof sitting in its ecclesiastical jurisdiction, on the application of any administrators with the consent of the executor or administrator acting under any probate or letters of Primary Judge may administration granted either before or after the coming into operation appoint Company to discharge duties.

40 of this Act, to appoint the Company to be administrator in his place or stead, and thereupon the Company shall have the same powers and authorities as if it had been the original executor or administrator, as the case may be, and in every such case all the capital, both paid and unpaid, and all other assets of the Company, and the managing director, 45 manager, or acting manager, as the case may be, and directors and their

respective estates shall be liable for the due administration of the estates of which the Company shall be so appointed administrator.

11. Every application to the Court or any Judge shall be by Application for motion, and notice of the intended application shall be advertised in a consent motion. 50 daily newspaper published in Sydney, at least seven days before the making thereof, and if the application shall be made by the executor or administrator of any testator or intestate who shall have died in New South Wales, a like notice shall also be advertised once in some newspaper, if any, published in the district in which such testator or intestate 55 shall have resided, and the Court or any Judge may require any person resident in New South Wales, and entitled to the immediate receipt of any of the income or corpus of the estate in respect of which the application is made, to be served with notice thereof, and the costs of such application shall be in the discretion of the Court or Judge, and

60 may be ordered to be paid out of the estate.

12. Whenever an executor, administrator, trustee, receiver, com- Managing director, mittee, or guardian is or shall be required by any law, Charter Act manager, or acting manager, may of Parliament, or rule of Court, to attend in person in any Court of attend on behalf Justice or elsewhere, it shall be lawful for the Company to attend by of Company and directors, and shall be its managing director, manager, or acting manager, and all affidavits, be personally statements of defence an attention to the company of defence and the company of defence are at the company of defence and the company of defence are at the company of defen statements of defence, or other statements required by law to be made responsible to Court. on oath may be made and sworn on behalf of the Company by its managing director, manager, or acting manager, and whenever probate or letters of administration shall have been granted to the Company,

10 and whenever the Company shall be appointed and shall act as trustee, receiver, committee, or guardian, the managing director, manager, or acting manager, as the case may be, and directors in their own proper persons and estates shall be individually and collectively responsible for the due administration of the estates entrusted to the Company,

15 and shall in their own proper persons be liable by process of attachment, commitment for contempt, or by other process to all Courts having jurisdiction in that behalf in the event of disobedience to the rules orders and decrees of such Courts made against the Company in the same manner and to the same extent as if such managing director,

20 manager, or acting manager, or directors, had personally obtained probate or letters of administration and had acted as executor, administrator, trustee, receiver, committee, or guardian, and as if the rule, order, or decree, had been made against them personally instead of against the Company, but notwithstanding such personal responsibility

25 of the said managing director, manager, acting manager, or directors, the capital, both paid and unpaid, and all the assets of the Company shall remain liable for any loss which may be occasioned by or which may happen through any breach of trust or duty committed by the

Company or any of its officers, whether such trust or duty be implied 30 by law or expressly conferred by the instrument under which the Company shall act; and no person shall be appointed a director or manager of the said Company unless he is a bona fide resident of New South Welson and Company unless he is a bona fide resident of New South Wales; and any person being a director or manager of the said Company who ceases to reside in New South Wales shall, upon so

35 ceasing to reside, vacate his office, and such vacancy shall be filled up in the manner provided by the articles of association for filling casual

vacancies.

13. The Company shall be entitled to receive in addition to all Company to be paid moneys properly expended by it and chargeable against any estate of a commission on which the administration shall be committed to the Company, whether moneys received by 40 which the administration shall be committed to the Company, whether them. as executor, administrator, trustee, receiver, committee, or guardian, a commission at a rate to be fixed from time to time by the board of directors of the Company, but not to exceed in any case two pounds ten shillings for every one hundred pounds of the corpus or capital value of 45 any such estate and five pounds for every one hundred pounds of the annual income of any such estate received by the Company and of all moneys (whether capital or income) received by the Company as an attorney acting under power-of-attorney, and such commission shall be payable out of the moneys in the possession of the Company representing 50 the estate upon which the same shall be chargeable, and shall be accepted by the Company in full satisfaction of any claim to remuneration for acting as such executor, administrator, trustee, receiver, committee, guardian, or attorney, and no other charges beyond such commission and moneys properly expended by the Company shall be made or 55 allowed. Provided that if in any estate the Primary Judge in Equity shall be of opinion that the rate of commission charged is excessive such Judge may review and reduce such commission. Provided also that the commission to be charged by the Company against any estate shall not exceed the amount of the published scale of charges of the

60 Company at the time when the administration of such estate was

committed

committed to the Company, nor shall this enactment prevent the payment of any commission directed by a testator in his will either in addition to or in lieu of the commission hereinbefore authorized.

14. Whenever the Company shall have been appointed executor, Company may be 5 administrator, trustee, receiver, committee, guardian, or attorney, it shall by Court. be subject in all respects to the same control and to removal or restraint from acting and generally to the jurisdiction of the Courts in the same manner as any other executor, administrator, trustee, receiver, committee, guardian, or attorney.

15. It shall be lawful for any trustee cestui que trust, executor, or Order for account legatee, administrator, or next of kin, or creditor entitled to or interested on application of in any estate which shall for the time being be under the management trustee cestui que trust, &c. or control of the Company, after demand in writing made to the managing director, manager, or acting manager of the Company, for a sufficient

15 account of the property and assets of which such estate shall consist, and of the disposal and expenditure thereof or thereout, and upon noncompliance with such demand within a reasonable time to apply to the Primary Judge in Equity of the Supreme Court in a summary manner, upon motion after notice to the Company for an account, and if

20 the said Judge shall be of opinion that no sufficient account has been rendered by the Company, the said Judge shall order such account to be rendered by the Company as to the said Judge shall seem just, or if the said Judge shall think that under the circumstances the Company was not bound to furnish any account or that a sufficient account had

25 been furnished it shall be lawful for the said Judge to dismiss the application, and the said Judge shall have power in all cases to make such order as to costs either against the Company or against the applicant or as to payment of costs out of the estate as to the said Judge shall seem right.

16. It shall be lawful for the said Primary Judge upon the Primary Judge may 30 making of any application under the last preceding section to order in estate committed to addition to or in substitution for any account to be rendered by the Company. Company that a person to be named in such order shall examine the books and accounts of the Company in reference to the estate as

35 to which the order is made, and in that case the directors and officers of the Company shall deliver to the person named in such order a list of all books kept by the Company, and shall produce to such person at the office of the Company at all reasonable times when required all books and accounts, vouchers, papers, and other documents of the

40 Company relating to such estate, and shall afford to him all necessary information and all other necessary facilities for enabling him to make the said examination, and the said Judge shall have the same power over the costs of such examination as is given by the last preceding section over the costs of an application under that section.

17. So long as any estate in respect of which the Company is voluntary windingexecutor, administrator, trustee, committee, or guardian, shall remain disposal of shares in whole or in part unadministered, it shall not be lawful to proceed may be restrained by to wind-up the Company voluntarily unless with the sanction of the said Primary Judge, and it shall be lawful for any person interpreted in such as the same lawful for any person interpreted in such as the same lawful for any person interpreted in such as the same lawful for any person interpreted in such as the same lawful for any person interpreted in such as the same lawful for any person interpreted in such as the same lawful for any person interpreted in such as the same lawful for any person in the same lawful for any person in

50 interested in such estate or who may have any claim in respect thereof to apply to the said Judge in a summary way by motion to restrain any director or any shareholder from disposing of any shares which such director or shareholder may hold in the Company, or to restrain the winding-up voluntarily of the Company, and the said Judge shall 55 have power to make such order upon such application as the circum-

stances of the case shall appear to the said Judge to require.

winding-up of the Company.

18. If it be proved at any time to the satisfaction of the Primary Judge may Primary Judge that three-fourths or more of the amount of capital order winding-up of Company. authorized by this Act to be called up has been lost by the Company 60 it shall be lawful for such Judge upon the application of any member, creditor, or cestui que trust of the Company to make an order for the

19. The following provisions with respect to the liability of share- Provisions as to holders in the Company shall be and remain in force notwithstanding liability of shareholders and any alteration which may be made in its articles of association-

No member shall hold more than two thousand shares in his own right. Provided that if the capital of the Company shall be increased by the issue of new shares the number of shares which may be held by each member shall be proportionately

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No more than two-pounds ten-shillings five pounds per share shall be called up except in the event of and for the purpose of the winding up of the Company, and every member shall in such event be liable to contribute the unpaid balance of every share held by him.

In the event of the Company being wound-up, every person who 15 has been a director of the Company at any time within the period of two years preceding the commencement of the winding-up shall be liable for the balance unpaid on every share which he may have transferred during such two years in addition to his liability upon any shares held by him at the commencement of the winding-up, in the event of the 20 holder or holders of such shares being unable to pay the said balance per share in full.

The capital of the Company shall be and remain divided into shares of ten pounds each, and the number of shares in the Company shall not be at any time reduced to less than fifty thousand.

20. All moneys which form part of any estate of which at any Moneys remaining time the Company shall be executor, administrator, or trustee, and unclaimed for five which moneys shall remain unclaimed by the person entitled to the colonial Treasurer.

30 same for a period of five years after the time when the same shall have become payable to such person, except where payment has been or shall be restrained by the injunction of some Court of competent jurisdiction, shall together with interest at current rates on fixed deposits in Banks, be paid by the Company into the Colonial Treasury,

35 to be placed to the credit of a fund to be called the Testamentary and Trust Fund, distinguishing the particular estates in respect of which such moneys shall have been paid, and the Colonial Treasurer shall from time to time invest such moneys in the purchase of Government debentures or stock to be placed to the credit of the 40 said Testamentary and Trust Fund, distinguishing in the ledger the

particular estate in respect of which such moneys have been invested, and the interest payable on such debentures or stock shall be placed to the credit of the said fund, and the said Treasurer's said account in the ledger shall be an official and not a nominal account, and in all

45 transfers of the said debentures and stock by the said Treasurer he shall be so styled without any name addition or description, and he shall not sign any such transfers or pay over any of the moneys standing to the credit of the said fund unless an order of the Primary Judge in Equity directing such transfer and specifying the amount of moneys,

50 debentures, or stock, and the name, description, and addition of the person to whom the proceeds of such sale are to be paid shall be left at the office of the said Treasurer, nor, until the purchase money of the debentures or stock to be sold has been received in the Colonial Treasury, and the Company shall at the end of every six months deliver to the said

55 Treasurer a statement of all such unclaimed moneys which during the preceding six months shall have been in its hands, and distinguishing the several estates in respect of which the same have been received, and setting out the dates and amounts of the several payments of the same tinder this section, and if the said moneys or any part thereof 60 have not been paid into the Colonial Treasury stating the reason for

the delay of such payments, and if default is made in compliance with the foregoing provisions of this section, the Company shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding five pounds for every day while such default continues, and every director and managing director, manager, 5 or acting manager of the Company who knowingly and wilfully authorizes or permits such default shall incur the like penalty.

21. It shall be lawful for any person who shall be entitled to Persons entitled to any stock debentures or moneys which shall at any time form part of Testamentary and the said Testamentary and Trust Fund to apply to the said Primary Trust Fund

10 Judge upon petition in a summary way for such order as is in the last Judge. apply to Primary preceding section referred to, and the said Judge shall deal with such application as nearly as may be in the same manner as in the case of applications to the said Court under the "Trustee Relief Act of 1858." And in all cases in which the Colonial Treasurer may see fit to appear 15 upon such petition he shall be entitled to such costs against the

applicant or out of the fund as the said Judge may direct.

22. It shall be lawful for the Colonial Treasurer, after demand in Order for account on writing addressed to the managing director, manager, or acting manager application of Treasurer. of the Company for a sufficient account of the property and assets of

20 which any or every estate included in or which ought to be or to have been included in the hereinbefore mentioned statement of unclaimed moneys shall consist, and of the disposal and expenditure thereof or thereout, to apply to the said Primary Judge in a summary way upon motion after notice to the Company for an account, and if the said

25 Judge shall be of opinion that no sufficient account has been rendered by the Company the said Judge shall order such account to be rendered by the Company as to the said Judge shall seem just, or if the said Judge shall think that under the circumstances the Company was not bound to furnish any account or that any account furnished 30 by the Company was sufficient it shall be lawful for the said Judge to dismiss the application, and the said Judge shall have power in all cases

to make such order as to costs either against the Company or as to payment of costs out of the estate as to the said Judge shall seem right. 23. The managing director, manager, or acting manager of the Returns to be mad

35 Company shall, during the months of January and July in every by Company to be year during which the Company carries on business, make before some office of the Justice of the Peace a declaration in the form contained in the Company or its Schedule hereto, or as near thereto as circumstances will admit, of the branches. receipts, expenditure, and investments of and in all estates and property 40 held by the Company in Trust up to the thirty-first day of December or thirtieth day of June then last past, such declaration shall within seven days after the making thereof be filed in the office of the Master in Equity, and a copy of such declaration shall be put up in a conspicuous place in the registered office of the Company, and in every branch 45 office or place where the business of the Company is carried on, and shall be given to any member or creditor of the Company or any cestui que trust who applies for the same, and if default is made in compliance with the provisions of this section the Company shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding five pounds for every day while such

default continues, and every managing director, manager, or acting 50 manager of the Company who knowingly and wilfully authorizes or permits such default shall incur the like penalty.

24. Every order made by the Primary Judge in Equity under Appeal from this Act shall be subject to appeal in the same manner and under the Primary Judge. same conditions as other orders of the said Judge.

25. Nothing in this Act contained shall be deemed to give to Act not to preclude 55 the Company any right to oppose the granting of similar powers to other Companies those conferred upon the Company by this Act to any other Company similar powers to or to corporations generally or to claim or to seek compensation in those conferred by consequence of such powers being conferred upon any other Company this Act. 60 or upon corporations generally, or in the event of provision being

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made by Parliament for the management of trust estates by a department or officer of the Government, or in the event of the repeal of this Act.

26. Where by any settlement, will, codicil, or other testamentary Settlors or testators 5 writing, a settlor or testator shall direct that any practising solicitor may appoint their own solicitors. or solicitors shall conduct the legal business of his or her estate, such solicitor or solicitors shall be entitled to act therein accordingly, but

in such case the Company shall not be liable for the negligence misfeasance nonfeasance or misconduct of such solicitor or solicitors, 10 and such solicitor or solicitors may be removed by order of the Primary Judge in Equity upon the application of the Company or of any person interested in the said estate upon cause shown, and then and in such case the said Judge may appoint the solicitor or solicitors of the Company to conduct such legal business.

27. Except so far as is herein expressly provided the Company Incorporation and shall have and be subject to the same restrictions, liabilities, penalties, powers of Company, privileges, and powers of the liabilities, penalties, except so far as privileges, and powers as it has and is subject to under its present specifically altered, to incorporation, and this Act shall not otherwise affect the incorporation remain. of the Company.

That

20 28. Any penalty imposed by this Act may be recovered in a Recovery of summary way before two Justices of the Peace.

29. This Act shall be called and may be cited as the "Perpetual Short title of Act. Trustee Company (Limited) Act."

SCHEDULE. 25 "The Perpetual Trustee Company (Limited)." I [managing director or as the case may be] do hereby solemnly declare and affirm:hat the liability of the members is limited. That the capital of the Company is pounds divided into pounds each. 30 That the number of shares issued is That calls to the amount of pounds shillings per share have been made, under which the sum of pounds has been received. That the debts owing to sundry persons by the Company on the day of one thousand eight hundred and eightywere-On judgment ... 35 On speciality ££ On notes or bills On simple contracts ... £ On estimated liabilities £ 40 Total ... £ That the assets of the Company other than assets held on trust on the day one thousand eight hundred and eightyof were-Government securities Bills of exchange and promissory notes £ 45 Cash at the banks £ Other securities £ Total ... £ That the value of the real and personal property come to the hands of the Com-50 pany as trustees, executors, administrators, receivers, and agents, up to and inclusive day of one thousand eight hundred and eightywas as follows-Estimated Values. Real property... £ Chattels real . £ 55 Moneys secured by mortgage of real property ££ Moneys secured by mortgage of personal property Unsecured debts and claims ... ££ ... Debentures Debentures ... Bank shares £ 60 Shares in other companies (other than bank shares) £ £ Total receipts ... £

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And I make this solemn declaration, as to the matters aforesaid, according to the law in this behalf made, and subject to the punishment by law provided for any wilfully false statement in any such declaration.

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An Act to confer powers upon the "Perpetual Trustee Company (Limited)." [Assented to, 29th June, 1888.]

WHEREAS in this Colony it is often difficult to procure proper Preamble. persons to undertake the onerous and responsible duties of trustee, executor, or administrator. And whereas the deaths, resignations, and absence from the Colony of executors, trustees, and others filling similar offices are often attended with great disadvantage and loss to the estates with the administration of which they are entrusted. And whereas it is desirable for the purpose of obtaining regularity and security in the administration of trust estates that permanent corporations should be empowered to fill the offices of trustee, executor, administrator, receiver, agent, and other like offices. And whereas a certain Company, styled the "Perpetual Trustee Company (Limited)," has been registered under the Companies Act, with a capital of one million pounds divisible into one hundred thousand shares of ten pounds each, for the purpose of undertaking the duties of such offices as aforesaid for a commission. And whereas it is expedient that the necessary powers should be conferred upon the said Company, hereinafter called the Company, in order to enable it to act as executor, administrator,

administrator, administrator with the will annexed, trustee, receiver, committee of the estates of persons of unsound mind, and as agents, and to perform and discharge all the duties of such offices and to receive remuneration therefor, and to confer upon the Company all such privileges and powers as are necessary or expedient for the purposes aforesaid. Be it therefore enacted by the Queen's Most Excellent 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:

Company may act as executor and obtain probate.

1. Whenever the Company has been or shall be named as executor in the last will and testament or in the codicil to the last will and testament of any testator it shall be lawful for the Company to act as executor and to apply for and to obtain probate of the will of the testator and to perform and to discharge all other the acts and duties of an executor as fully and effectually as any other executor.

Person entitled to administration with authorize Company to do so.

2. It shall be lawful for any person or persons entitled to obtain letters of administration with the will of any testator annexed of the the will annexed may estate of such testator, to authorize the Company to apply for and to obtain letters of administration with the will annexed, which may be granted to the Company upon its own application when so authorized.

Persons entitled to obtain letters of administration may authorize Company to do so.

3. It shall be lawful for any person or persons entitled to obtain letters of administration of the estate of any intestate as his or her next of kin, to authorize the Company to apply for such letters of administration, and administration of the estate of the intestate may be granted to the Company upon its own application when so authorized.

Company on being granted letters of administration may perform all acts which belong to the office of administrator notwithstanding its incorporation.

4. It shall be lawful for the Company where the administration of any estate with or without the will annexed has been granted to it, to do and perform all acts and duties which belong to the office of administrator or administrator with the will annexed, as the case may be, notwithstanding its incorporation.

Court to act upon acting manager in applications for probate or administration.

5. In all cases in which the Company is empowered under this affidavit of managing Act to apply for probate or for letters of administration, an affidavit director, manager, or made by the managing director, manager, or acting manager of the Company shall be received instead of any affidavit required by any Charter Act of Parliament or rule of Court to be made by persons making application for probate or letters of administration.

Assets of Company to be liable for proper administra-tion of estates, and to be required when paid-up capita! is £25,000, of which £20,000 is invested in Government securities.

6. All the capital, both paid and unpaid, of which paid-up capital twenty thousand pounds shall be invested in the purchase of debentures or inscribed stock in such of the public funds of the Colony no bond to administer as the directors of the Company may select in the name of the Colonial Treasurer in trust for the Company, but transferable only with the joint consent of the said Treasurer and the Company, or upon the order of the Supreme Court or a Judge thereof, and all other assets of the Company, shall be liable for the proper administration of all estates of which the Company shall act as executor or administrator, and no bond for the due administration of any estate shall be required to be given by or on behalf of the Company, except in respect of estates exceeding twenty thousand pounds in value, in which the said Court or a Judge thereof shall otherwise order, and all interest and income to accrue from time to time from or in respect of all such debentures and inscribed stock shall be paid by the said Treasurer to the Company as and when the same shall respectively become payable.

Company may be appointed trustce, receiver, committee,

7. It shall be lawful for any Court or Judge or person now or hereafter having power to appoint trustees, receivers, committees of the or guardian of estate. estates of persons of unsound mind, or guardians of the estates of infants, in any case to appoint the Company to be trustee, receiver, committee, or guardian as the case may be, and upon any such appointment all the capital of the Company, both paid and unpaid, and all other assets of the Company, and the managing director, manager, or acting manager, as the case may be, and directors, and their respective estates, shall be

liable for the proper discharge of the duties of the office, either of trustee, receiver, committee, or guardian, as the case may be, and so soon as the Company shall possess a paid-up capital of not less than twenty-five thousand pounds, of which paid-up capital twenty thousand pounds shall be invested as aforesaid, no bond or recognizance for the proper discharge of such duties shall be required to be given by or on behalf of the Company. Provided that the Company shall not be so appointed trustee of any deed or will which shall forbid the appointment of a Company as trustee thereof, nor in any case in which the majority of the persons who shall be beneficially interested shall not consent to such appointment, unless the consent of the Primary Judge in Equity of the Supreme Court shall have been first obtained.

8. It shall be lawful for the Company to act as attorney when- Company may act ever it shall be appointed by deed attorney for any person or any under power of attorney for any person or any under power of attorney corporation, and all the powers conferred upon the Company by any director, manager, power-of-attorney may be exercised and carried into execution by the acting manager, or two directors. managing director, manager, acting manager, or by any two of the directors of the Company, but in all cases the capital, both paid and unpaid, and all other assets of the Company, shall be liable for the due execution of the powers so conferred upon the Company. Provided always that nothing herein contained shall be deemed to authorize any person, Company, or corporation to confer any power upon the Company

which cannot by law be delegated or performed by attorney.

9. It shall be lawful for any executor, administrator, or trustee, Executor by deed to delegate to the Company as his attorney all such trusts and administrator or powers as may by law be delegated, and all acts done by the Company trusts to Company. within the scope of such delegation shall, in favour of any persons dealing with the Company without notice of the death of or revocation of authority by such executor, administrator, or trustee, be valid and

effectual notwithstanding such death or revocation.

10. It shall be lawful for the Supreme Court or any Judge Executors or thereof sitting in its ecclesiastical jurisdiction, on the application of any administrators with the consent of the executor or administrator acting under any probate or letters of Primary Judge may administration granted either before or after the coming into operation appoint Company to of this Act to appoint the Company to be administrator in his place or of this Act, to appoint the Company to be administrator in his place or stead, and thereupon the Company shall have the same powers and authorities as if it had been the original executor or administrator, as the case may be, and in every such case all the capital, both paid and unpaid, and all other assets of the Company, and the managing director, manager, or acting manager, as the case may be, and directors and their respective estates shall be liable for the due administration of the estates of which the Company shall be so appointed administrator.

11. Every application to the Court or any Judge shall be by Application for motion, and notice of the intended application shall be advertised in a consent to be by motion. daily newspaper published in Sydney, at least seven days before the making thereof, and if the application shall be made by the executor or administrator of any testator or intestate who shall have died in New South Wales, a like notice shall also be advertised once in some newspaper, if any, published in the district in which such testator or intestate shall have resided, and the Court or any Judge may require any person resident in New South Wales, and entitled to the immediate receipt of any of the income or corpus of the estate in respect of which the application is made, to be served with notice thereof, and the costs of such application shall be in the discretion of the Court or Judge, and may be ordered to be paid out of the estate.

12. Whenever an executor, administrator, trustee, receiver, com- Maraging director, mittee, or guardian is or shall be required by any law, Charter Act manager, or acting manager, may of Parliament, or rule of Court, to attend in person in any Court of attend on behalf Justice or elsewhere, it shall be lawful for the Company to attend by of Company and directors, and shall its be personally

responsible to Court.

its managing director, manager, or acting manager, and all affidavits, statements of defence, or other statements required by law to be made on oath may be made and sworn on behalf of the Company by its managing director, manager, or acting manager, and whenever probate or letters of administration shall have been granted to the Company, and whenever the Company shall be appointed and shall act as trustee, receiver, committee, or guardian, the managing director, manager, or acting manager, as the case may be, and directors in their own proper persons and estates shall be individually and collectively responsible for the due administration of the estates entrusted to the Company, and shall in their own proper persons be liable by process of attachment, commitment for contempt, or by other process to all Courts having jurisdiction in that behalf in the event of disobedience to the rules orders and decrees of such Courts made against the Company in the same manner and to the same extent as if such managing director, manager, or acting manager, or directors, had personally obtained probate or letters of administration and had acted as executor, administrator, trustee, receiver, committee, or guardian, and as if the rule, order, or decree, had been made against them personally instead of against the Company, but notwithstanding such personal responsibility of the said managing director, manager, acting manager, or directors, the capital, both paid and unpaid, and all the assets of the Company shall remain liable for any loss which may be occasioned by or which may happen through any breach of trust or duty committed by the Company or any of its officers, whether such trust or duty be implied by law or expressly conferred by the instrument under which the Company shall act; and no person shall be appointed a director or manager of the said Company unless he is a boná fide resident of New South Wales; and any person being a director or manager of the said Company who ceases to reside in New South Wales shall, upon so ceasing to reside, vacate his office, and such vacancy shall be filled up in the manner provided by the articles of association for filling casual vacancies.

Company to be paid a commission on moneys received by them.

13. The Company shall be entitled to receive in addition to all moneys properly expended by it and chargeable against any estate of which the administration shall be committed to the Company, whether as executor, administrator, trustee, receiver, committee, or guardian, a commission at a rate to be fixed from time to time by the board of directors of the Company, but not to exceed in any case two pounds ten shillings for every one hundred pounds of the corpus or capital value of any such estate and five pounds for every one hundred pounds of the annual income of any such estate received by the Company and of all moneys (whether capital or income) received by the Company as an attorney acting under power-of-attorney, and such commission shall be payable out of the moneys in the possession of the Company representing the estate upon which the same shall be chargeable, and shall be accepted by the Company in full satisfaction of any claim to remuneration for acting as such executor, administrator, trustee, receiver, committee, guardian, or attorney, and no other charges beyond such commission and moneys properly expended by the Company shall be made or allowed. Provided that if in any estate the Primary Judge in Equity shall be of opinion that the rate of commission charged is excessive such Judge may review and reduce such commission. Provided also that the commission to be charged by the Company against any estate shall not exceed the amount of the published scale of charges of the Company at the time when the administration of such estate was committed to the Company, nor shall this enactment prevent the payment of any commission directed by a testator in his will either in addition to or in lieu of the commission hereinbefore authorized.

14. Whenever the Company shall have been appointed executor, Company may be administrator, trustee, receiver, committee, guardian, or attorney, it shall removed from office by Court. be subject in all respects to the same control and to removal or restraint from acting and generally to the jurisdiction of the Courts in the same manner as any other executor, administrator, trustee, receiver, committee, guardian, or attorney.

15. It shall be lawful for any trustee cestui que trust, executor, or Order for account legatee, administrator, or next of kin, or creditor entitled to or interested on application of in any estate which shall for the time being be under the management trust, &c. or control of the Company, after demand in writing made to the managing director, manager, or acting manager of the Company, for a sufficient account of the property and assets of which such estate shall consist, and of the disposal and expenditure thereof or thereout, and upon noncompliance with such demand within a reasonable time to apply to the Primary Judge in Equity of the Supreme Court in a summary manner, upon motion after notice to the Company for an account, and if the said Judge shall be of opinion that no sufficient account has been rendered by the Company, the said Judge shall order such account to be rendered by the Company as to the said Judge shall seem just, or if the said Judge shall think that under the circumstances the Company was not bound to furnish any account or that a sufficient account had been furnished it shall be lawful for the said Judge to dismiss the application, and the said Judge shall have power in all cases to make such order as to costs either against the Company or against the applicant or as to payment of costs out of the estate as to the said Judge shall seem right.

16. It shall be lawful for the said Primary Judge upon the Primary Judge may making of any application under the last preceding section to order in order audit in any estate committed to addition to or in substitution for any account to be rendered by the Company. Company that a person to be named in such order shall examine the books and accounts of the Company in reference to the estate as to which the order is made, and in that case the directors and officers of the Company shall deliver to the person named in such order a list of all books kept by the Company, and shall produce to such person at the office of the Company at all reasonable times when required all books and accounts, vouchers, papers, and other documents of the Company relating to such estate, and shall afford to him all necessary information and all other necessary facilities for enabling him to make the said examination, and the said Judge shall have the same power over the costs of such examination as is given by the last preceding section over the costs of an application under that section.

17. So long as any estate in respect of which the Company is Voluntary windingexecutor, administrator, trustee, committee, or guardian, shall remain up of Company or disposal of shares in whole or in part unadministered, it shall not be lawful to proceed may be restrained by to wind-up the Company voluntarily unless with the sanction the Primary Judge. of the said Primary Judge, and it shall be lawful for any person interested in such estate or who may have any claim in respect thereof to apply to the said Judge in a summary way by motion to restrain any director or any shareholder from disposing of any shares which such director or shareholder may hold in the Company, or to restrain the winding-up voluntarily of the Company, and the said Judge shall have power to make such order upon such application as the circum-

stances of the case shall appear to the said Judge to require. 18. If it be proved at any time to the satisfaction of the Primary Judge may Primary Judge that three-fourths or more of the amount of capital order winding-up of Company. authorized by this Act to be called up has been lost by the Company it shall be lawful for such Judge upon the application of any member, creditor, or cestui que trust of the Company to make an order for the winding-up of the Company.

Provisions as to liability of shareholders and directors. 19. The following provisions with respect to the liability of share-holders in the Company shall be and remain in force notwithstanding any alteration which may be made in its articles of association—

No member shall hold more than two thousand shares in his own right. Provided that if the capital of the Company shall be increased by the issue of new shares the number of shares which may be held by each member shall be proportionately increased.

No more than five pounds per share shall be called up except in the event of and for the purpose of the winding up of the Company, and every member shall in such event be liable to contribute the unpaid balance of every share held by him.

In the event of the Company being wound-up, every person who has been a director of the Company at any time within the period of two years preceding the commencement of the winding-up shall be liable for the balance unpaid on every share which he may have transferred during such two years in addition to his liability upon any shares held by him at the commencement of the winding-up, in the event of the holder or holders of such shares being unable to pay the said balance per share in full.

The capital of the Company shall be and remain divided into shares of ten pounds each, and the number of shares in the Company shall not be at any time reduced to less than fifty

thousand.

Moneys remaining unclaimed for five years to be paid into Colonial Treasury.

20. All moneys which form part of any estate of which at any time the Company shall be executor, administrator, or trustee, and which moneys shall remain unclaimed by the person entitled to the same for a period of five years after the time when the same shall have become payable to such person, except where payment has been or shall be restrained by the injunction of some Court of competent jurisdiction, shall together with interest at current rates on fixed deposits in Banks, be paid by the Company into the Colonial Treasury, to be placed to the credit of a fund to be called the Testamentary and Trust Fund, distinguishing the particular estates in respect of which such moneys shall have been paid, and the Colonial Treasurer shall from time to time invest such moneys in the purchase of Government debentures or stock to be placed to the credit of the said Testamentary and Trust Fund, distinguishing in the ledger the particular estate in respect of which such moneys have been invested, and the interest payable on such debentures or stock shall be placed to the credit of the said fund, and the said Treasurer's said account in the ledger shall be an official and not a nominal account, and in all transfers of the said debentures and stock by the said Treasurer he shall be so styled without any name addition or description, and he shall not sign any such transfers or pay over any of the moneys standing to the credit of the said fund unless an order of the Primary Judge in Equity directing such transfer and specifying the amount of moneys, debentures, or stock, and the name, description, and addition of the person to whom the proceeds of such sale are to be paid shall be left at the office of the said Treasurer, nor, until the purchase money of the debentures or stock to be sold has been received in the Colonial Treasury, and the Company shall at the end of every six months deliver to the said Treasurer a statement of all such unclaimed moneys which during the preceding six months shall have been in its hands, and distinguishing the several estates in respect of which the same have been received, and setting out the dates and amounts of the several payments of the same under this section, and if the said moneys or any part thereof have not been paid into the Colonial Treasury stating the reason for the

the delay of such payments, and if default is made in compliance with the foregoing provisions of this section, the Company shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding five pounds for every day while such default continues, and every director and managing director, manager, or acting manager of the Company who knowingly and wilfully authorizes or permits such default shall incur the like penalty.

21. It shall be lawful for any person who shall be entitled to Persons entitled to any stock debentures or moneys which shall at any time form part of moneys in Testamentary and the said Testamentary and Trust Fund to apply to the said Primary Trust Fund may Judge upon petition in a summary way for such order as is in the last Judge. preceding section referred to, and the said Judge shall deal with such application as nearly as may be in the same manner as in the case of applications to the said Court under the "Trustee Relief Act of 1858." And in all cases in which the Colonial Treasurer may see fit to appear upon such petition he shall be entitled to such costs against the

applicant or out of the fund as the said Judge may direct.

22. It shall be lawful for the Colonial Treasurer, after demand in Order for account on writing addressed to the managing director, manager, or acting manager application of of the Company for a sufficient account of the property and assets of Treasurer. which any or every estate included in or which ought to be or to have been included in the hereinbefore mentioned statement of unclaimed moneys shall consist, and of the disposal and expenditure thereof or thereout, to apply to the said Primary Judge in a summary way upon motion after notice to the Company for an account, and if the said Judge shall be of opinion that no sufficient account has been rendered by the Company the said Judge shall order such account to be rendered by the Company as to the said Judge shall seem just, or if the said Judge shall think that under the circumstances the Company was not bound to furnish any account or that any account furnished by the Company was sufficient it shall be lawful for the said Judge to dismiss the application, and the said Judge shall have power in all cases to make such order as to costs either against the Company or as to payment of costs out of the estate as to the said Judge shall seem right.

23. The managing director, manager, or acting manager of the Returns to be made Company shall, during the months of January and July in every by Company to be year during which the Company carries on business, make before some office of the Justice of the Peace a declaration in the form contained in the Company or its Schedule hereto, or as near thereto as circumstances will admit, of the branches. receipts, expenditure, and investments of and in all estates and property held by the Company in Trust up to the thirty-first day of December or thirtieth day of June then last past, such declaration shall within seven days after the making thereof be filed in the office of the Master in Equity, and a copy of such declaration shall be put up in a conspicuous place in the registered office of the Company, and in every branch office or place where the business of the Company is carried on, and shall be given to any member or creditor of the Company or any cestui que trust who applies for the same, and if default is made in compliance with the provisions of this section the Company shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding five pounds for every day while such default continues, and every managing director, manager, or acting manager of the Company who knowingly and wilfully authorizes or permits such default shall incur the like penalty.

24. Every order made by the Primary Judge in Equity under Appeal from this Act shall be subject to appeal in the same manner and under the Primary Judge. same conditions as other orders of the said Judge.

25. Nothing in this Act contained shall be deemed to give to Act not to preclude the Company any right to oppose the granting of similar powers to other Companies those conferred upon the Company by this Act to any other Company similar powers to or to corporations generally or to claim or to seek compensation in those conferred by consequence of such powers being conferred upon any other Company

or upon corporations generally, or in the event of provision being made by Parliament for the management of trust estates by a department or officer of the Government, or in the event of the repeal of this Act.

Settlors or testators may appoint their own solicitors.

26. Where by any settlement, will, codicil, or other testamentary writing, a settlor or testator shall direct that any practising solicitor or solicitors shall conduct the legal business of his or her estate, such solicitor or solicitors shall be entitled to act therein accordingly, but in such case the Company shall not be liable for the negligence misfeasance nonfeasance or misconduct of such solicitor or solicitors, and such solicitor or solicitors may be removed by order of the Primary Judge in Equity upon the application of the Company or of any person interested in the said estate upon cause shown, and then and in such case the said Judge may appoint the solicitor or solicitors of the Company to conduct such legal business.

27. Except so far as is herein expressly provided the Company Incorporation and powers of Company, shall have and be subject to the same restrictions, liabilities, penalties, except so far as specifically altered, to privileges, and powers as it has and is subject to under its present incorporation, and this Act shall not otherwise affect the incorporation

of the Company.

Recovery of penalties.

Short title of Act.

28. Any penalty imposed by this Act may be recovered in a

summary way before two Justices of the Peace.

29. This Act shall be called and may be cited as the "Perpetual Trustee Company (Limited) Act.'

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And I make this solemn declaration, as to the matters aforesaid, according to the law in this behalf made, and subject to the punishment by law provided for any wilfully false statement in any such declaration.

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