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Governor may redeem stock after twenty years. 3. The Governor may, after the expiration of twenty years from the commencement of this Act, redeem and repurchase the said stock or any part thereof at the price of one hundred pounds sterling for every one hundred pounds sterling of stock upon giving twelve months notice to the holders of such stock of his intention to redeem or repurchase the same.

Interest at three and a half per cent. payable half-yearly.

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Applicant to disclose prior encumbrances.

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By Authority: WILLIAM APPLEGATE GULLICK, Government Printer, Sydney, 1899.

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1899."

Short title.

In the name and on the behalf of Her Majesty I assent to this Act.

FREDK. M. DARLEY, Lieutenant-Governor.

Government House, Sydney, 4th April, 1899.

## ADVANCES TO SETTLERS BILL.

SCHEDULE showing the Legislative Assembly's Disagreements from and Amendments upon the Legislative Council's Amendments, referred to in Message of 29th March, 1899.

F. W. WEBB, Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

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Legislative Assembly Chamber, Sydney, 21 March, 1899. F. W. WEBB, Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

The LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL has this day agreed to this Bill with Amendments.

Legislative Council Chamber, Sydney, 23rd March, 1899. JOHN J. CALVERT, Clerk of the Parliaments.

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2. Such stock shall be sold in amounts of ten pounds, or of Conditions under some multiple of ten pounds, at such times, in such manner, and sub-which stock may be ject to such conditions as the Governor may from time to time appoint. The ownership of such stock shall be secured to the holders thereof 5 by the inscription of their respective names, and the amounts of stock held by them respectively in books of record, which shall be prepared

and kept for the purpose aforesaid at the Treasury.

3. The Governor may, after the expiration of twenty years from Governor may the commencement of this Act, redeem and repurchase the said stock redeem stock after 10 or any part thereof at the price of one hundred pounds sterling for every one hundred pounds sterling of stock upon giving twelve months notice to the holders of such stock of his intention to redeem or

repurchase the same.

4. Interest shall be payable and paid out of the Consolidated Interest at three and 15 Revenue Fund at a rate not exceeding three and a half pounds per a half per cent. annum for every one hundred pounds of stock sold in pursuance of this Act. Such interest shall accrue from the date of the sale, and shall be payable half-yearly on the tenth days of February and August in each year.

or by such other persons as the Governor may authorise and appoint, be prepared and shall be issued to the purchasers of any stock upon the payment of the amount due in respect of the same, but such certificates shall be issued only as a record of inscription, and shall not be negotiable or transfer-

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6. Every transfer of stock shall be effected by an entry in stock, how transfer hooks which shall be propaged and kept for the purpose at the transferable

transfer books which shall be prepared and kept for the purpose at the transferable. Treasury; and every such entry shall be signed by the person making the transfer, being at the time the inscribed holder of such stock, or 30 his lawful attorney, and by the person accepting such stock as transferee, or his lawful attorney.

7. All sums of money raised by the sale of stock shall be carried Applications of by the Colonial Treasurer to the credit of a special account in the moneys raised. Treasury, and shall be applicable only to the purposes of this Act.

8. The stock created by this Act shall be Government Stock, Power to trustees and a Government Security within the meaning of the Trustee Act, to invest in stock. 1898, and of the Friendly Societies Act of 1873, and of any Act or rule of Court dealing with the investment of moneys under the control of the Supreme Court. And all corporations, companies, and

40 co-partnerships, and all trustees, executors, and administrators, whether incorporated, established, or appointed before or after the commencement of this Act, and whether by act of parties or operation of law, are hereby authorised and empowered to invest their moneys in the purchase of and to hold stock issued under the provisions of 45 this Act.

Application

### Application of money raised.

9. (1) Any money raised by the sale of stock in pursuance of this Application of money Act may be applied in making temporary advances by way of loan to stock. holders of freehold land or of conditional purchases, conditional leases, 5 homestead selections, homestead leases, settlement leases, or other leases made under any Acts dealing with Crown lands in respect of such lands, but for no other purposes. In this section the term "holders" shall not be limited to registered holders, but may include mortgagors.

(2) Such advances shall only be made subject to such con-10 ditions as the board, as constituted by this Act, may prescribe and the

following conditions:-

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(a) no such advance shall be made except on the recommendation of the board;

(b) security for the repayment of the advance shall be given to

the satisfaction of the board;

(c) the advance shall be repaid, and interest on the money due in respect thereof shall be paid, in such amounts and on such dates as the board may determine;

(d) no advance to any of the holders above-mentioned shall

exceed two hundred pounds;

(e) the rate of interest payable in respect of every such advance

shall be four per centum per annum;

(f) no such advance shall be made in respect of land subject to mortgage unless the consent of the mortgagee or mortgagees shall first have been lodged with the board;

(g) every such advance shall be repaid, and all interest thereon shall be paid, within ten years from the making of the

advance;

(h) every such advance with interest thereon shall be a debt due 30 to Her Majesty by the person to whom the advance was made, recoverable by the Secretary for Lands on behalf of Her Majesty in any court of competent jurisdiction, and shall, while due and unpaid, be a charge on the land in respect of which the advance was made in priority to any 35 encumbrance, transfer, or dealing subsequent to the advance, and, with the consent of the persons interested, in priority also to any encumbrance, made before the commencement of this Act or prior to the date of such advance. But in the case of land held under any Acts dealing with Crown lands, 40 such charge shall not attach after such land has been forfeited under the said Acts or this Act;

(i) if any amount of principal or interest, due in respect of an advance made under this Act, is unpaid for a period of three months after the due date thereof, the Secretary for Lands

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may, on behalf of Her Majesty, sell or otherwise dispose of any freehold land in respect of which the advance was made, and in the name of the owner and any person interested therein execute an assurance which shall vest the land in the purchaser, or person to whom the land has been disposed of free from any charge under this Act. In the case of an advance in respect of land held under any Acts dealing with Crown lands not being freehold land, the Secretary for Lands may forfeit the same and any moneys paid in respect thereof, and any improvements thereon, in like manner as land, moneys, and improvements may be forfeited under the provisions of those Acts, and such forfeiture shall have the same effect and may be revoked as if made under those Acts.

10. All advances repaid under this Act shall be carried to the Application of 15 credit of the special fund in the Treasury, and all interest paid in repayments of advances and interest respect of such advances shall be carried to the Consolidated Revenue thereon.

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# Constitution of the board for making advances.

11. For the purposes of carrying out the provisions of this Act Constitution of board 20 relating to the making, the securing, and the repayment of advances for carrying out provisions of this to settlers, there shall be a board of not more than three persons Act relating to appointed by the Governor. The members of such board shall be paid advances. out of moneys raised in pursuance of this Act such fees as may be fixed by regulations under this Act in respect of their attendance at 25 meetings of the board. But where any member of the board is an officer of the Public Service, he shall be paid no fees, but the salary paid to him shall include payment for his services on the board.

# Supplemental.

12. The Governor may make regulations—

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(a) prescribing the forms to be used in dealing with stock issued under this Act, and in the transfer or disposal of any interest thereon, or otherwise;

(b) regulating the making and the granting of applications for

advances under this Act:

(c) regulating the procedure at meetings of the board constituted by this Act, and prescribing the quorum at such meetings;

(d) regulating the appointment to and removal from office of members of the board:

(e) prescribing the books and accounts to be kept by the board, and providing for the inspection and audit of such books and accounts;

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- (f) providing for the receipt and payment of moneys under this Act and the safe custody of securities;
- (g) regulating what applications under this Act shall be dealt with in priority to other applications, and what inquiries and valuations shall be made in relation to any such applications:
- (h) prescribing the conditions on which such advances may be made and the security to be given for the same;
- (i) authorising the recovery and receipt on behalf of Her Majesty of any money payable to the person to whom an advance was made on account of compensation or valuation for improvements or otherwise howsoever in connection with the security for the advance in any case where money is due on the advance or in respect of any interest thereon;
- 15 (j) prescribing the fees to be paid in respect of advances made under this Act;
- (k) prescribing the forms of mortgages, charges, and other securities and documents made or given in respect of advances made under this Act, and the effect of and the covenants to be implied in every such mortgage, charge, security, or document, and providing for the registration or notification of such mortgages, charges securities, and documents;
- (1) providing for the notice to be given of the sale or disposal of any land for non-payment of the amount of any advance or of any interest thereon, and providing for the application of the proceeds of any such sale or disposal;
- (m) generally for carrying this Act into effect.
  All such regulations shall be published in the Gazette and shall be
  30 laid before each House of Parliament within fourteen days after such publication if Parliament is then sitting; but if Parliament is not then sitting, then within fourteen days after the next session of Parliament.

13. This Act may be cited as the "Advances to Settlers Act, short title. 1899."

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