

## No. XXIII.

AN ACT to enable the Governor to Sell certain Allotments of Land in the City of Auckland and apply the proceeds towards erecting Public Offices.

PUBLIC OFFICES.

[16th August, 1856.]

**W**HEREAS several allotments or parcels of land situate in the City of Auckland have been set apart and are now used as the sites of public offices for some of the departments of the General Government of New Zealand: And whereas it is desirable to enable the Governor to sell and dispose of the said allotments or parcels of land, and the buildings erected thereon, and to apply the proceeds towards building public offices on more convenient sites:

Preamble.

BE IT THEREFORE ENACTED by the General Assembly of New Zealand as follows:—

1. It shall be lawful for the Governor or other Officer for the time being lawfully Administering the Government of New Zealand, whenever he shall think fit, to sell and dispose of all or any of the said allotments or parcels of land more particularly mentioned and described in the Schedule to this Act annexed, or any part thereof, by public auction, either altogether or in lots, and to make and execute in the name and on behalf of Her Majesty, under the Public Seal of the said Colony, any grant or grants to the purchaser or purchasers thereof, and every such grant shall be deemed to convey an estate in fee simple free from incumbrances and without liability on the part of the purchaser or purchasers to see to the application of the purchase money.

Governor authorized to sell allotments of land described in Schedule.

2. The money to arise from every such sale shall be applied, first, in payment of any expenses attending the same, and secondly in or towards

Money to be applied towards erecting public offices for General Government.

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towards the erection of public offices on some convenient site or sites in the City of Auckland for the General Government of New Zealand, and any surplus shall be disposed of as directed by the General Assembly of New Zealand.

Short Title.

3. This Act may be cited for all purposes as "*The Public Offices Act, 1856.*"

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**SCHEDULE.**

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1. All that allotment or parcel of land situate in Princes Street, in the City of Auckland, and being allotment No. 1 of Section No. 7 of the said city, containing 1 rood 7 perches.
  2. All that other parcel of land situate in Princes Street, in the City of Auckland, and being the eastern half of allotment No. 17A of Section No. 4 of the said city, containing 13 perches.
  3. All that other parcel of land in the City of Auckland, having a frontage to High Street of 57 feet and a frontage to Chancery Street of 67 feet 6 inches, and being a part of allotment No. 4 of Section 4 of the said city, and which said parcel of land with the buildings thereon was purchased for or on behalf of the Government of New Zealand for public offices of certain departments of the Government.
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