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By His Honor's command,

ALFRED GREENFIELD, Provincial Secretary.

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PROROGATION OF THE
PROVINCIAL COUNCIL.

SPEECH of his Honor the SUPERINTENDENT,
on the prorogation of the Fourteenth Session
of the Nelson Provincial Council, on the
9th May, 1866.

MR. SPEAKER AND GENTLEMEN OF THE
PROVINCIAL COUNCIL.

On behalf of his Excellency the Governor
I have assented to the following Acts passed
by you during this Session, viz.:—

“An Act to Repeal the Fencing Act,
1862, so far as relates to districts
constituted under the Pastoral Dis-
tricts Fencing Act, 1863.”

“An Act to provide for the construc-
tion and maintenance of Roads and
other Public Works in certain Dis-
tricts.”

“An Act to appropriate the Revenue
of the Province of Nelson for the
year ending the Thirty-first day of
March, One thousand eight hundred
and sixty-seven.”

I have reserved for the signification of his
Excellency's pleasure thereon—

“An Act to provide for the constitution
of new Electoral Districts, and for
the election of additional members
of the Provincial Council of the
Province of Nelson.”

“An Act to authorise the Superintend-
ent to Lease certain Lands in the
district of Motueka granted for
public purposes.”

“An Act to Repeal the Cattle Trespass
Ordinance, and to make other pro-
visions in lieu thereof.”

“An Act to amend the Buller Reserves
Administration Act, 1863.”

The unanimous and unreserved manner in which you have approved and sanctioned the large unauthorised expenditure that I felt called upon to make during the last Financial year, cannot fail to assure me that the Executive of this Province need be under no apprehension that the large but necessary and constitutional powers given to the Provincial Council under the Audit Act, will ever be used by you in a spirit of hostility or unfairness.

It must be a subject of congratulation to you that you have been able to vote so large a proportion of the ordinary revenue of the Province to be expended on Public Works and permanent improvements, and to set apart such a handsome instalment towards the repayment of the only debt incurred by this Province.

I have to thank you for the energy with which you have investigated every claim or grievance that has been brought under your notice by any individual, and I may be permitted to express a hope that the public of this province may long feel confident that your Council offers an inexpensive tribunal at which they may secure a patient and impartial inquiry into the manner in which the necessarily large powers of the Provincial Executive have been exercised upon any subject affecting their liberty, their reputation, or their interest.

The liberal terms you have now enabled the Waste Lands Board to offer to capitalists, who may be prepared to construct such a road as would place some of our best and largest Coal Mines within easy reach of the Buller Port will, I earnestly hope be the means of inducing them to undertake a work that could hardly fail to be a profitable investment, whilst it would add so largely to the wealth and prosperity of this Province, and give a great impetus to the commerce and manufactures of Australasia, by giving access to a supply of coal practically unlimited in quantity, and shown by the report laid before you to be superior in quality to any coal yet discovered in the southern hemisphere.

I will immediately communicate with the General Government with the view to obtaining permission to offer two or three million acres of land to any company who may undertake the construction of a railway, connecting the Port of Nelson with the Ports of the Buller and Grey. Without professing to be at all sanguine that it will be possible to induce capitalists to undertake the work,

I can unhesitatingly recommend the Government to sanction an exchange that would improve the security of the Colonial Creditor as much as it would add to the real wealth and value of this Province, and if the sanction of the General Assembly be obtained it will be my duty to carry out your expressed wishes by laying the offer fully before the public without any unnecessary delay.

I now declare this Council prorogued.

ALFRED SAUNDERS,
Superintendent.

PROCLAMATION.

By his Honor ALFRED SAUNDERS, Esquire,
Superintendent of the Province of Nelson, in the Islands of New Zealand, &c., &c.

WHEREAS by an Act passed by the General Assembly of New Zealand, intituled "The Gold-fields Acts Amendment Act, 1865," it is enacted that it shall be lawful for the Governor, at any time subsequent to the proclamation of a Gold-field to *reserve or withdraw* therefrom any *lands* which he may deem necessary, and such lands shall thenceforth be dealt with under the Waste Lands Regulations of the Province, in which such Gold-field is situate:

And whereas by an instrument under the hand of his Excellency the Governor and the Seal of the Colony, bearing date the Eighteenth day of November, 1865, the above-mentioned powers were delegated to me as Superintendent of the Province of Nelson, to have, hold, and exercise within the said Province.

Now, therefore, I, the Superintendent of the Province of Nelson, do hereby withdraw from the Collingwood Gold-fields, and from the operation of the Gold-fields Acts—

All that parcel of land containing by admeasurement, one hundred and thirty-eight acres and two roods, be the same more or less; situated in the district of Takaka: bounded on the northward (5,100 links) partly by Crown lands and partly by section numbered 166 on the plan of the said district; on the eastward by the River Anatoki; and on the southward (4,150 links); and westward (3,800 links) by Crown lands.

Also all that parcel of land containing by admeasurement, one hundred and twenty-seven acres, situated in the said district of Takaka; bounded on the northward by part 2 of section numbered 136, on the plan of the said district (4,000 links); on the eastward by section numbered 142 on the said plan (2,700 links); on the southward by Crown land (5,600 links); and on the westward partly by Crown land (850 links), and partly by the River Anatoki.

Also, sections numbered respectively 81, 82, 83, and 101 on the plan of the said district of Takaka, containing six

hundred acres, be the same more or less; together with a block of five hundred acres of unsurveyed land lying to the southwestward of the said sections.

Given under my hand, and issued under the Public Seal of the Province of Nelson, this Ninth day of May, One thousand eight hundred and sixty-six.

ALFRED SAUNDERS,
Superintendent.

Attested,

ALFRED GREENFIELD,
Provincial Secretary.