

before recited enactment on the ninth day of February, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-eight, and published in the *New Zealand Gazette* on the same day, the said Act was declared to be in operation on and after the said ninth day of February: And whereas by "The New Zealand Consolidated Stock Act 1877 Amendment Act, 1881," it is enacted that, notwithstanding anything in "The New Zealand Consolidated Stock Act, 1877," contained, the Governor in Council may appoint only two persons to be the Agents for the purposes of such Act, who shall have, exercise, and perform all the powers, authorities, or duties by such Act given to, vested in, or imposed upon the Agents appointed under the ninth section of such Act, and that throughout such Act the words "the Agents" shall be deemed to refer to and include the two persons hereby authorized to be appointed to be the Agents for the purposes of such Act: And whereas by an Order in Council made and issued under the said Acts, of even date herewith, the Governor in Council, in pursuance and exercise of the powers and authorities vested in him by the said Acts, did appoint Sir Francis Dillon Bell, K.C.M.G., and Sir Penrose Goodchild Julian, K.C.M.G., C.B., to be Agents for the purposes of the said Acts, and did empower such Agents to exercise all the powers by the said Acts exercisable by the Governor in Council: And whereas by an Act passed by the Parliament of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland in the fortieth and forty-first years of the reign of Her Majesty Queen Victoria, and which it is therein declared may be cited as "The Colonial Stock Act, 1877," it is, among other things, enacted that, "where provision has been made by the Legislature of a colony and otherwise for the inscription and transfer in a register kept in the United Kingdom by some bank, colonial officer, or person (which bank, officer, or person is in this Act referred to as 'the Registrar') of any stock forming the whole or part of the public debt of such colony, and the Government of such colony cause a declaration under the seal of such colony, or by some person in that behalf authorized under that seal, stating such provision, and identifying the stock with respect to which it has been made, to be left with the Commissioners of Inland Revenue, those Commissioners, upon payment of the proper fee, shall record the same, and such record and declaration shall be open to inspection at all reasonable times, in manner directed by the said Commissioners, upon payment of the proper fee:" And whereas the said General Assembly of the Colony of New Zealand is the Legislature of the said colony within the meaning of "The Colonial Stock Act, 1877," and it is expedient that Agents should be appointed for the purpose of making the declaration required by the hereinbefore in part recited provision of that Act, and otherwise as hereinafter mentioned:

Now, therefore, His Excellency the Honourable Sir Arthur Hamilton Gordon, the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, in pursuance and exercise of every power and authority enabling him in that behalf, and by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of the said colony, doth, by this instrument issued under the seal of the said colony, authorize and empower the said Sir Francis Dillon Bell, K.C.M.G., and Sir Penrose Goodchild Julian, K.C.M.G., C.B., as and to be the Agents to make the declaration required by the provisions of "The Colonial Stock Act, 1877," and in and about such declaration, and the leaving and record thereof with the Commissioners of Inland Revenue, to do all such necessary acts as might or could have been done by or on behalf of the Government of the colony to give effect to the provisions of the last-mentioned Act.

Given under the hand of His Excellency the Honourable Arthur Hamilton Gordon, Knight Grand Cross of the Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George, Her Majesty's High Commissioner for the Western Pacific, Governor and Commander-in-Chief in and over Her Majesty's Colony of New Zealand and its Dependencies, and Vice-Admiral of the same; and issued under the Seal of the said Colony, at the Government House, at Wellington, this fifth day of November, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighty-one.

F. P. MURRAY,
Acting Clerk of the Executive Council,

Enclosure 3 in No. 7.

A. GORDON, Governor.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government House at Wellington, this 5th day of November, 1881.

Present: HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR IN COUNCIL.

WHEREAS by "The New Zealand Consolidated Stock Act, 1877," it is, among other things, enacted that the said Act shall not come into operation, nor be of any force or effect whatever, until it shall be declared to be so in operation by a Proclamation issued by the Governor in Council and published in the *New Zealand Government Gazette*: And whereas by Proclamation issued by the Governor in Council under the hereinbefore in part recited Act, and published in the *New Zealand Gazette* of the ninth day of February, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-eight, it was declared that the said Act should be and come into operation on and after the ninth day of February, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-eight: And whereas by the said Act it is also enacted, among other things, that the Governor shall have power, for the purposes of the said Act, from time to time to appoint three or more persons in England to be Agents for the purposes of the said Act, and may empower such Agents, or any three or more of them, to exercise all or any of the powers by the said Act exercisable by the Governor in Council: And whereas by "The New Zealand Consolidated Stock Act 1877 Amendment Act, 1881," it is enacted that, notwithstanding anything in "The New Zealand Consolidated Stock Act, 1877," contained, the Governor in Council may appoint only two persons to be the Agents for the purposes of such Act, who shall have, exercise, and perform all the powers,