Sess. II.—1884. NEW ZEALAND.

LEASE OF THE WALLSEND COAL MINE AT BRUNNERTON.

Return to an Order of the House of Representatives, dated 20th August, 1884. Ordered, "That there be laid upon the table a copy of the lease of the Wallsend Coal Mine at Brunnerton."—

This deed, made the twenty-ninth day of June, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-five, between Her Most Gracious Majesty Victoria, of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland Queen (hereinafter called "the lessor"), of the one part, and the Greymouth Coal-Mining Company, (Limited), incorporated under the provisions of "The Joint-Stock Companies Act, 1860" (hereinafter called "the lessees"), of the other part: Whereas the said Greymouth Coal-Mining Company (Limited) has been formed for the purpose, amongst other things, of working certain coal mines on the Grey River, in the Province of Westland, in the colony aforesaid, and has applied to the lessor for a lease of a portion of a certain reserve, situated on the south bank of the said river, known as the Grey Coal Reserve: And whereas the lessor has consented to grant to the lessees, and the lessees have agreed to accept, a lease of such portion of the said reserve as is described in the schedule hereunder written upon the terms and conditions hereinafter mentioned: Now, this deed witnesseth that, in consideration of the rent, covenants, and conditions hereinafter reserved, contained, or implied, and on the lessees' part to be paid, observed, or performed, the lessor doth hereby demise to the lessees, their successors and permitted assigns, all and singular the mines, layers, veins, seams, and strata of coal already found and discovered, and which shall or may at any time or times hereafter be opened, found, or discovered in, under, or upon all that parcel of land described in the schedule hereunder written, together with full, free, and exclusive liberty, license, power, and authority to and for the said lessees, their successors and assigns, workmen and servants, in and upon the said piece or parcel of land, or any part or parts thereof, to enter, and there to search, seek, dig, drive, work, and make greves, shafts, drives, trenches, sluices, waygates, watergates, and watercourses, and to lay, make, and use any railroad, tramroad, or other roads or ways for working, getting, raising, procuring, or conveying all the said mines and seams of coal which shall or may be found within, upon, or under the said piece or parcel of land, or any part or parts thereof; together also with the like power and authority, at their will and pleasure, to build and erect upon the said land all such engines, houses, hovels, lodges, sheds, bridges, and other conveniences for the drawing and carrying away water from the collieries, and the coal to be gotten out of the said mines, or for the standing, laying, or placing of workmen, horses, cattle, gear, and utensils to be used or employed in or about the working or carrying-on of the works of the said mines, and to take, send, and carry away all or any of the coal to be wrought and gotten forth out of the said mines as aforesaid, and sufficient ground-room for laying or placing the said coal: Provided always that the site and area of the works of the said lessees, their successors and assigns, shall be subject to approval by the lessor, her successors and assigns:

And also from time to time to alter, remove, pull down, or carry away and dispose of all engines, gins, whimsies, or other erections, matters, and things which have been or shall be made by the said lessees, their successors and assigns, upon the said premises for the purposes aforesaid:

And also with full liberty, power, and authority to dig clay and loam out of and in the said

land to make bricks for the bridges, pits, and works to be made for the use of the said mines and collieries or exportation carried on under this demise, and to perform and execute all and every such other acts, matters, and things in and upon the said land and premises as shall be needful and requisite for the working, raising, and getting of the said mines and seams of coal:

And also with full liberty, power, and authority to cut any timber on the said parcel of land, such timber to be used or employed only in or about any of the works as aforesaid, and not to be sold or otherwise disposed of: Excepting and always reserving out of this demise unto Her said Majesty the Queen, her heirs, successors, and assigns, her, his, and their servants and workmen, full and free liberty at all times of taking, holding, or using such part of the land hereby demised as may be required for the purposes of the following works, or any of them, that is to say, for making, constructing, maintaining, using, and working any railroads, tramways, or other roads, path, ands ways, water-races, cuttings, drives, and tunnels, or other public works in, through, over, and upon

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