

be the several admeasurements a little more or less, that is to say: All those parcels of land containing together seven thousand three hundred and eight acres one rood and twenty-seven perches more or less situate partly in Block IV of the Heretaunga Survey District and partly in the Borough of Napier being part of the land called "Ahuriri Lagoon" in the "Napier Harbour Board Act 1874" and "The Napier Harbour Board Amendment and Endowment Improvement Act 1887"

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W. A. DOWD, Assistant Land Registrar.

CEASED TO BE LIMITED AS TO TITLE

Dated this 25th day of June 1930

R. F. Baird D.L.R.

WE the undersigned hereby certify that the above written is a true copy of the Certificate of Title H.B. Volume 18 folio 259 without plan as issued at the 19th day of April 1929 as examined with the Original thereof by us this 23rd day of November, 1937—

Ian D. MACKAY,
Solicitor
Napier.

H. T. PRENTICE
Law Clerk
Napier.

115. The history of events leading up to the issue of this certificate of title will now be traced.

One of the first Acts passed in the first session of the first New Zealand Parliament was the Public Reserves Act, 1854.

The preamble to this Act and sections 1, 2, and 3 are as follows:—

Extract from "An Act for regulating the Management of certain Lands reserved for Public Purposes in the Several Provinces of New Zealand

14/9/1854.

WHEREAS in the several Provinces of New Zealand lands have been heretofore and may hereafter be reserved for various purposes of public utility, the legal title whereto is vested in Her Majesty: And whereas it is expedient to establish in each of the said Provinces a system of local management of such of the said lands as are or may be held for purposes of local concern:

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

1. It shall be lawful for the Governor of New Zealand, with the advice of his Executive Council at any time and from time to time after the passing of this Act, in the name and on the behalf of Her Majesty, to grant to the Superintendent of each Province in New Zealand, and his successors, all such estate and interest as Her Majesty now hath or may have in all or any of the lands within such Province forming part of the demesne lands of the Crown, which shall have been at any time heretofore and now are or may hereafter be reserved or set apart for purposes of public utility within the said Province, except such of the said lands as shall have been and now are or may hereafter be reserved for purposes of military defence, the service of any office or department of the General Government, or for the benefit of the native inhabitants of the said Colony.

Preamble.

Governor may grant to Superintendents Her Majesty's interests in demesne Lands.

2. It shall be lawful for the Governor of the said Colony, with the advice of his Executive Council to grant and dispose of any land reclaimed from the sea, and of any land below high-water mark in any harbour, arm or creek of the sea, or in any navigable river or on the sea coast within the said Colony, either to the Superintendent of the Province and his successors, in or to which such land is situate or adjacent, or in such other manner to such other persons and upon such terms as shall be thought fit: Provided always that every such grant or disposition within any Province, other than to the Superintendent thereof, shall be made in pursuance of a joint recommendation by the Superintendent of such Province and of the Provincial Council thereof: Provided also that nothing herein contained shall prejudice the rights of persons claiming water frontage.

Also in lands reclaimed from the sea, &c.

3. Every such grant shall be sealed with the Public Seal of the Colony, and shall be valid and effectual as against Her Majesty, her heirs and successors, and shall have the same force and effect as a direct grant from the Crown, and for the purposes of registration shall be deemed to be a grant from the Crown, and every such grant shall declare the purposes for which such lands shall be held, whether general or specific, as the case may be.

Such grant to be valid against Her Majesty, her heirs and successors.