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An Act to further amend "The Waste Lands Amendment Act, 1868-9."

[Assented to, 13th January, 1871.]

WHEREAS it is expedient to further amend "The Waste Lands Amendment Act, 1868-9," by providing for the payment, by two instalments, of the amount of deposit payable on account of the purchase money of lands sold under the said Act, and by repealing so much of the Act as requires that a description of the lands intended to be proclaimed, under the said Act, as an agricultural area, shall be laid before Parliament fourteen days at the least prior to the Proclamation of any such area, and in manner hereinafter provided—Be it therefore Enacted, by the Governor of the Province of South Australia, with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and House of Assembly of the said Province, in this present Parliament assembled, as follows:

Preamble.

1. From and after the passing of this Act any person or persons who shall purchase waste lands of the Crown, either at auction or otherwise, under the provisions of the Waste Lands Amendment Act, 1868-9, relating to the purchase of land upon credit, may (anything in such last-mentioned Act to the contrary notwithstanding), at the time of making such purchase, pay a sum of Ten Pounds per centum on the amount of such person or persons' purchase-money, in lieu and in stead of the sum of Twenty Pounds per centum on such purchase-money, as provided by the said Act; and such person or persons so making the payment hereby authorized shall, on the expiration of three years from the date of making such last-named deposit

Interest to be paid in two instalments.

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deposit, pay a further sum of Ten Pounds per centum on the amount of such purchase-money: And the making of such two payments together shall be deemed to be a complete compliance by such person or persons with the terms of the said Act, so far as regards the payment of the interest required by such Act.

Description of agricultural areas need not be laid before Parliament.

2. It shall not be necessary or imperative for the Governor, with the advice and consent of the Executive Council, to lay a description of the lands intended to be proclaimed as agricultural areas before Parliament fourteen days at least prior to the issue of the proclamation of such area, but such proclamation of area may be issued forthwith, anything in section 5 of the hereinbefore mentioned Act to the contrary notwithstanding.

Definition of terms.

3. The following terms within inverted commas shall, in the construction of "The Waste Lands Amendment Act, 1868-9," unless the context otherwise indicates, bear the meaning set against them respectively:—

"Occupy" or "occupation"—To reside or residence upon the land selected:

"Cultivation" or "cultivate"—Ploughing, digging, or trenching, and planting cereal or root crops; an orchard, vineyard, or nursery:

Provided that nothing in this clause shall affect any contract or agreement entered into before the passing of this Act.

Period for reduction of price in areas.

4. The period during which the lands shall be open for selection at each separate period shall not be less than seven days nor more than two months, in lieu of the periods of one month and three months in the seventh clause of the said "Waste Lands Amendment Act, 1868-9," mentioned.

Incorporation.

5. This Act and "The Waste Lands Amendment Act, 1868-9," save and in so far as the same last mentioned Act is not hereby repealed, altered or amended; and an Act to amend the "Waste Lands Amendment Act, 1868-9," No. 4 of 1869-70, shall be deemed to be incorporated with this Act, and shall be read together as one Act.

In the name and on behalf of the Queen I hereby assent to this Act.

JAMES FERGUSSON, Governor.