[CONFIDENTIAL.]

(Rough Draft for Consideration Only.)

No. , 1916.

A BILL

To divest the Municipal Council of East Maitland and all other persons having any estate, right, title, or interest in certain lands forming part of the East Maitland Pasturage Reserve of such estate, right, title, and interest; to vest the said lands in His Majesty, and declare the same to be Crown lands within the meaning of the Crown Lands Consolidation Act, 1913; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.

WHEREAS by a certain deed poll or land grant, Preamble. dated the twenty-seventh day of February, in the year one thousand eight hundred and sixty-four, 835—(2) under

under the hand of His Excellency Sir John Young, then Governor-General of the Colony of New South Wales, certain lands were, under the provisions of the Crown Lands Alienation Act of 1861, granted to certain persons as trustees of the East Maitland Pasturage Reserve for a public and common pasturage for the convenience of the inhabitants of the town of East Maitland, and for such other purposes of public recreation, convenience, health, and enjoyment of the said inhabitants as to the said trustees should seem best, subject to certain reservations: And whereas by an Act passed in the thirtyninth year of the reign of her late Majesty Queen Victoria, and intituled "An Act for vesting in the Municipal Council of East Maitland the land known as the East Maitland Pasturage Reserve," the lands described in the Schedule A hereto were vested in the Municipal Council of East Maitland, subject to the several reservations in the said land grant set forth and hereinbefore mentioned, to hold, manage, and protect the said reserve and land for the purposes of a public and common pasturage and of public recreation, convenience. health, and enjoyment, and for the interment of the dead, and for any other purpose for the benefit of the inhabitants of the town of East Maitland for ever: And whereas it is desirable to divest the said municipal council of East Maitland of its estate, interest, powers, and rights in respect of the lands described in Schedule B hereto which form part of the East Maitland Pasturage Reserve, and to declare those lands to be Crown lands: Be it therefore enacted by the King's Most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and Legislative Assembly of New South Wales in Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:—

1. This Act may be cited as the "East Maitland Short title.

Pasturage Reserve Resumption Act, 1916."

2. The Municipal Council of East Maitland and all Municipal other persons having any estate, right, title, or interest East Maitland in the lands described in Schedule B hereto, are hereby divested of divested of all such estate, right, title, and interest, and certain land of all powers and rights conferred, and discharged from which is declared

any Crown lands.

any duties, liabilities, and obligations imposed by the said Acts in respect of such lands, and the said lands are hereby vested in His Majesty and declared to be Crown lands within the meaning of the Crown Lands Consolidation Act, 1913, and any Acts amending the same, free from all trusts, conditions, duties, liabilities, and obligations affecting the said land.

SCHEDULES.

SCHEDULE A.

Copy of description, East Maitland Pasturage Reserve.

ALL that piece or parcel of land in the said Colony, containing by admeasurement 604 acres, be the same more or less, situated in the county of Northumberland and parish of Maitland at Maitland (East): Commencing at the north-western corner of E. C. Close's 560 acres, and bounded thence on the north by the southern boundary-line of E. C. Close's 2,050 acres, bearing west 80 chains to the eastern boundary-line of the municipality of East Maitland; on the west by part of that boundary-line bearing south 17 chains to a point distant 1 chain 50 links due west from the north-western corner of the reserve for racecourse and public recreation; thence on the south by a line bearing east to that corner, and by the northern boundary-line of that reserve bearing east 41 chains 60 links; again on the west by the eastern boundary-line of that reserve bearing south 25 chains 60 links; on the north-west by the south-eastern boundary-line of that reserve bearing south 68 degrees 30 minutes west 26 chains 20 links to the road from Maitland to Raymond Terrace, and by that road south-easterly to the western corner of the general cemetery; on the south-east by the north-western boundary of that cemetery, being lines bearing north 65 degrees east 5 chains 60 links, and north 78 degrees east 11 chains, and south 74 degrees east 1 chain 80 links to the road from the coalpits to Morpeth; thence by a line crossing that road bearing south 74 degrees east 1 chain; thence by that road bearing south $15\frac{1}{2}$ degrees west 11 chains 60 links to the Maitland and Raymond Terrace road, and thence by that road bearing south 55 degrees east 33 chains 80 links; thence again on the north-west by a line forming partly the south-eastern boundary of that cemetery (crossing the road aforesaid from Maitland to Raymond Terrace) bearing south 35 degrees west 5 chains, on the north-east by lines forming the south-western boundaries of that cemetery bearing north 55 degrees west 33 chains 50 links, and thence crossing the aforesaid road from the coalpits to the Morpeth-road by the south western boundary of the general cemetery, being a curved line parallel with the railway-line about 25 chains to the south-western corner

corner of the general cemetery; thence again on the south-east by a line forming partly the north-western boundary of that cemetery bearing north 131 degrees east 5 chains crossing the road aforesaid from Maitland to Raymond Terrace; thence again on the north-east by the north-eastern side of that road north-westerly to the eastern boundary of the municipality of East Maitland aforesaid; again on the west by part of that boundary bearing south to the north-western corner of J. F. Wickham's 640 acres; again on the south by the northern boundary of that land bearing east 80 chains to the western boundary of Joseph Moore's 2,5560 acres; on the east by part of that boundary and the western boundary of E. C. Close's 560 acres northerly to the north-western corner of that 560 acres aforesaid; thence by a line bearing south 36 degrees 30 minutes west 5 chains $19\frac{1}{2}$ links to the north-eastern corner of the West Maitland Volunteer Rifle Range; again on the south-west by the north-eastern boundary-line of that range bearing north 54 degrees west 4 chains 541 links; again on the south-east by the north-western boundary-line of that range bearing south 36 degrees west 45 chains 86 links; again on the north-east by the south-western boundaries of that range and the Maitland and Morpeth Volunteer Rifle Range, being a line bearing south 54 degrees east 6 chains 6 links; again on the north-west by the south-eastern boundary of the Maitland amd Morpeth Volunteer Rifle Range, bearing north 36 degrees east 45 chains 86 links; again on the southwest by the north-eastern boundary of the Maitland and Morpeth Volunteer Rifle Range, bearing north 54 degrees west 1 chain 511 links to the north-eastern corner of the West Maitland Volunteer Rifle Range aforesaid; thence, by a line bearing about west 5 degrees south 34 chains to the north-eastern corner of the burial-ground for pagans, &c.; again on the west by the eastern boundary-line of that burial-ground bearing south 2 chains 25 links; again on the north by the southern boundary-line of that burial-ground bearing west 2 chains 25 links; again on the east by the western boundary-line of that burial-ground, and bearing north 2 chains and 25 links; and again on the south by the northern boundary-line of that burial-ground bearing east 2 chains 25 links to its morth-eastern corner aforesaid, reserving for public use the railway-line and roads, and J. Hickey being allowed to occupy the 60 acres of land within the following boundaries during his life,—namely, commencing at the south-western corner of E. C. Close's 560 acres, and boundled thence on the east by part of the western boundary-line of thatt land bearing north 40 chains, on the north by a line bearing west 15 chains, on the west by a line bearing south 40 chains, and on the south by a line bearing east 15 chains to the south-western corner of E. C. Close's 560 acres aforesaid.

SCHEDULE B.

Part of East Maitland Pasturage Reserve granted on 27th February, 1864, proposed to be divested.

County of Northumberland, parish of Maitland, area about 88 acres: Commencing at the north-western corner of the pasturage reserve, being also the south-western corner of portion 3 of 1,030 acres; and bounded thence on the west by part of the western boundary of the reserve partly forming the eastern boundary line of the municipality of East Maitland and the western side of Sinclair-street, bearing southerly 16 chains 77 links to a south-western corner of the reserve, being a point west of the north-western corner of portion 217 of 130 acres reserve for racecourse; on the south by a line partly forming a southern boundary of the pasturage reserve and the northern boundary of portion 217 bearing easterly to the north-east corner of that portion; again on the west by part of the east boundary of that portion bearing southerly to the road to Morpeth; on the south-east by that road bearing north-easterly to the morthern boundary of the reserve which is also the southern boundary of portion 3 aforesaid; and thence on the north by part of that boundary bearing westerly, to the point of commencement; but exclusive of portion 206 of 2 roads appropriated as a cemetery for pagans on 115th February, 1855, and shown on plan catalogued C. 541-730 in Lands Department.