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FRIDAY, JUNE 24, 1853.

AT the Court at *Buckingham-Palace*, the 13th day of *June*, 1853,

PRESENT,

The QUEEN's Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

WHEREAS by an Act, passed in the session of Parliament held in the ninth and tenth years of Her Majesty's reign, intituled "An Act to amend an Act for regulating the sale of waste land belonging to the Crown in the Australian Colonies, and to make further provision for the management thereof," after reciting that it might be expedient that various rules and regulations should be made respecting the more effectually making demises or licences for any term of years, not exceeding fourteen, of any such waste lands as therein mentioned, and respecting the reservation on such demises or licences of any such rents or other pecuniary services, and respecting the insertion therein of such conditions and clauses of forfeiture as are therein mentioned, and respecting any other matters and things which might be requisite either for carrying into more complete effect the occupation in manner therein mentioned of such waste lands as aforesaid, or for preventing the abuses incident thereto, it was enacted, that it should be lawful for Her Majesty, by any Order in Council, to make and establish all such rules and regulations as to Her Majesty should seem meet for the purposes aforesaid, or for any of them, and any such rules and regulations again to repeal, renew, alter, and amend; and that all such Orders in Council should have the force and effect of law in the colonies aforesaid.

And whereas Her Majesty, by an Order in Council, dated the nineteenth June, one thousand eight hundred and fifty, did establish certain rules and regulations relative to the occupation of the waste lands of the Crown in the colony of South Australia, more particularly with reference to pastoral purposes.

And whereas it is expedient that additional rules and regulations, as hereinafter contained, should now be made and established for demising lands supposed to contain minerals, not auriferous, and for working the same. It is hereby ordered by the Queen's Most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice of her Privy Council, that within the said colony of South Australia it shall be lawful for the Governor of the said colony to demise lands supposed to contain minerals, not auriferous,

to any party or parties desirous of working the same, on the following conditions:—

1. The extent of land so to be granted shall be fixed from time to time by the Governor, with the advice of his Council.
2. That the term of the lease shall be for a term not exceeding fourteen years, at a rental of ten shillings per acre per annum, payable yearly in advance. The lessee, on payment of such rent in advance, being entitled to the right of search during the first year, and to the option of giving up the lease. The lease to date from the commencement of the second year.
3. Any person claiming a lease on the above conditions who shall remove, or cause to be removed, any ore from the land before a lease thereof shall be accepted by him, shall forfeit his claim thereto.
4. At the termination of the lease, the land shall be open to sale, by public auction, to the highest bidder.
5. Should the land not be purchased by the lessee, the value (to be estimated) of any improvements he may have made, or buildings he may have erected thereon, will be added to the upset price of the land, and he will be allowed compensation for the same, if sold.
6. The lease to become void and forfeited if the rent is not duly paid in advance, and if the land is not *bonâ fide* applied to mining purposes. And it is further ordered that the terms defined in the Order in Council of the nineteenth June, one thousand eight hundred and fifty, whenever they herein occur, shall respectively have the same significations as in the aforesaid Order in Council.

And the Most Noble the Duke of Newcastle, one of Her Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State, is to give the necessary directions herein accordingly.

W. L. Bathurst.

AT the Court at *Buckingham-Palace*, the 13th day of *June*, 1853.

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WHEREAS Her Majesty's Commissioners for building new churches have, in pursuance of the ninth section of an Act, passed in the