ORDER IN COUNCIL.

G. GREY, GOVERNOR.

At the Government House, at Auckland, the twenty-first day of July, 1864.

PRESENT:—HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR IN COUNCIL.

Whereas it is provided by the "Gold Fields Act, 1862," that it should be lawful for the Governor in Council, subject to the provisions of the said Act, to make Rules and Regulations elating to the terms and conditions upon which Miners' rights shall be granted, and the forms of such Miners' rights and of licences and leases to be issued under the said Act, and the modes, times, and places of issue thereof, and also touching the extent and position of any claim, and the conditions under which it shall be worked, held, assigned, or forfeited, the application and use of machinery, and all such other rules and regulations relating to the mining under Miners' rights or otherwise in any Gold Field as he may deem most beneficial; And whereas at a Council held on the fifteenth day of September, one thousand eight hundred and sixty three, the Governor in Council made certain regulations for the conduct of Gold Mining within the District of the Coromandel Gold Field, whereby amongst other things it was provided that for certain causes therein set forth, provision to retain a claim unworked may be granted by the Warden or any person duly authorised, and the same shall be thereon regisered for three months, during which time he shall be entitled to occupy a claim elsewhere; And whereas the Government have made certain promises or have undertaken obligations to protect the claims of companies or of individuals in the Coromandel Gold Field during the Maori Insurrection, and it is expedient to make additional regulations to authorise such protection: Now therefore, His Excellency the Governor, with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of the Colony, doth hereby make the further rules and regulations following for the conduct of the gold-mining within the District of the Coromandel Gold Field aforesaid:—

Permission to retain a claim unworked may be granted by the Warden or any person duly authorised, if it shall appear to the Governor that such nnworking shall be caused or shall have been caused in consequence of the Maori Insurrection, whether the period for which such claim may have been registered shall or shall not have expired at the time of this regulation coming into force: or whether such claim may have been previously registered or not, and the registaation of any such claim may be made or renewed from time to time for periods of three months at any time, so long as in the opinion of the Commissioner the unworking of such claim shall be caused by the said insurrection.

FORSTER GORING, Clerk of Executive Council.

ORDER—REVOKING CERTAIN RULES AND REGULATIONS OF THE OTAGO GOLD FIELDS, AND MAKING OTHERS IN LIEU THEREOF.

Whereas, by an Act of the General Assembly of New Zealand, intituled "The Gold Fields Act, 1862," and in the 14th section thereof, it is provided that it shall be lawful for the Governor in Council, subject to the provisions of the said Act, to make Rules and Regulations relating to the terms and conditions upon which Miners' Rights should be granted, and the forms of such Miners' Rights, and of Licenses and Leases, to be issued under this Act, and the modes, times, and places of the issue thereof; and also touching the extent and condition of any claim, and the conditions under which it should be worked, held, assigned, or forfeited; the application of machinery; and all such other rules and regulations relating to mining, under Miners' Rights or otherwise, in any Gold Field, as he may deem most beneficial;

And whereas, by the said Act it is also provided that it shall be lawful for the Governor in Council, under his hand, and the Public Seal of the Colony, from time to time to delegate to the Superintendent of any Province all or any of the powers vested in the Governor or the Governor in Council by the said Act, except the powers conferred by sections nineteen, thirty-one, thirty-two, thirty-three, and sixty-one thereof, subject or not subject to any limitations or restrictions as he may think fit, and in like manner to alter or recoke any such powers:

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And whereas, by Warrant under the hand of Sir George Grey, K.C.B., Governor in and over Her Majesty's Colony of New Zealand, dated the 15th day of September, 1863, at Auckland, and issued under the Public Seal of the said Colony, by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council thereof, and in exercise of the power and authority for that purpose in him vested, did thereby delegate absolutely and without restriction, unto the Honorable John Hyde Harris, as Superintendent of the Province of Otago, all the powers vested in him under and by virtue of "The Gold Fields Act, 1862," except the powers contained in Sections nineteen, thirty-one, thirty-two, thirty-three, and sixty-one of the said Act. to have, hold, and exercise the powers within the Province of Otago:

except the powers contained in Sections nineteen, thirty-one, thirty-two, thirty-three, and sixty-one of the said Act, to have, hold, and exercise the powers within the Province of Otago:

And whereas, by the "Gold Fields Act Amendment Act, 1863," it is provided that it shall be lawful for the Governor in Council, from time to time, to alter, amend, and revoke all or any Rules and Regulations made or to be made under section 14 of the said "Gold Fields Act, 1862," and it is also provided that it shall be lawful for the Governor in Council, under his hand and the Public Seal o the Colony, from time to time, to delegate to the Superintendent of any Province, or to such other person as the Governor may deem fit, and under such restrictions as he shall think fit, all or any of the powers vested in the Governor or the Governor in Council by the said "Gold Fields Act Amendment Act, 1863;"

And whereas, by Warrant under the hand of Sir George Grey, K.C.B., Governor in and over Her Majesty's Colony of New Zealand, dated the 14th day of December, one thousand eight hundred and sixty three, at Auckland, and issued under the Public Seal of the said Colony, by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council thereof, and in exercise of the power and authority for