



ANNO QUARTO

VICTORIÆ REGINÆ,

No. 22.

By His Excellency SIR JOHN FRANKLIN, Knight Commander of the Royal Hanoverian Guelphic Order, Knight of the Greek Order of the Redeemer, and a Captain in Her Majesty's Royal Navy, Lieutenant-Governor of the Island of Van Diemen's Land and its Dependencies, with the advice of the Legislative Council.

AN ACT to amend the Norfolk Plains Bridge Act.

WHEREAS an Act was passed in the Third Year of Her Majesty Queen Victoria intituled *An Act for making and maintaining a Bridge over the South Esk River at Norfolk Plains* whereby amongst other things certain persons were united into a Company for completing and maintaining a Bridge over the South Esk River at Norfolk Plains and were thereby authorized to complete and maintain the said Bridge and to make certain Works therein mentioned and certain monies subscribed for by the said Company of Proprietors were thereby divided into Shares and vested in the several persons raising and contributing to the same and their respective executors administrators and assigns and the said Company of Proprietors were thereby authorized to take certain Tolls which after payment of expenses and all just claims upon the said Company were to be applied in payment of interest upon the said Shares and thereafter in payment of the principal monies due to the said Shareholders and the right interest and property of and in the said Bridge and Works were thereby vested in the said Company and their several executors administrators and assigns—AND WHEREAS it is requisite that the said Act be in some respects amended—BE IT THEREFORE ENACTED by His Excellency SIR JOHN FRANKLIN Knight Commander of the Royal Hanoverian Guelphic Order Knight of the Greek Order of the Redeemer a Captain in Her Majesty's Royal Navy and Lieutenant-Governor of the Island of Van Diemen's Land and its Dependencies by and with the advice of the Legislative Council

PREAMBLE.
Recites the formation of the Norfolk Plains Bridge Company.
Who were empowered to take Toll.

Bridge to be open to the Public after 1st February 1840 and to be the property of the Crown.

Lieutenant-Governor may continue Toll.

Bridge to be thrown open to the Public and become the property of the Crown before that day if principal and interest due to the proprietors shall have been paid.

that from and after the First day of January which will be in the year of our Lord One thousand eight hundred and seventy the said Bridge shall be thrown open to the Public freed and discharged from the Payment of Toll and from thenceforth the said Bridge and Works as the same are defined in the said recited Act shall become the property of Her Majesty Her Heirs and Successors and shall be deemed a Public Highway and that whether the said monies due and owing to the said Proprietors or any part thereof shall or shall not then have been paid off and discharged—PROVIDED that the Lieutenant-Governor shall have power to continue such Rate of Toll as to him shall seem fit for the purpose of keeping in repair the said Bridge—AND PROVIDED FURTHER that nothing herein contained shall prevent the said Bridge from being thrown open to the Public and the said Bridge and Works becoming the property of Her Majesty Her Heirs and Successors and being deemed a Public Highway before the said First day of January One thousand eight hundred and seventy under the provisions of the said recited Act in case the principal monies due and owing to the said Proprietors together with interest thereon at the rate of ten per centum per annum shall have been paid before that date.

JOHN FRANKLIN.

Passed the Legislative Council this twenty-sixth day of September, one thousand eight hundred and forty,

RONALD C. GUNN, *Clerk of the Council.*