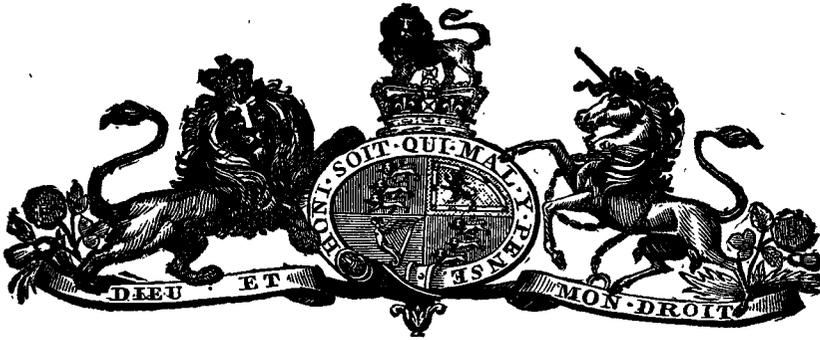


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AN ACT to make provision for Bank Holidays, and respecting obligations to make Payments and do other acts on such Bank Holidays. Title.

[19th August, 1873.]

WHEREAS it is expedient to make provision for rendering the day after Christmas Day, and also certain other days, bank holidays, and for enabling bank holidays to be appointed by Proclamation : Preamble.

BE IT THEREFORE ENACTED by the General Assembly of New Zealand in Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows :—

1. The Short Title of this Act shall be "The Bank Holidays Act, 1873," and it shall come into operation on the first day of December next. Short Title.
34 and 35 Vict.

2. After the passing of this Act, the several days in the Schedule to this Act mentioned (and which days are in this Act hereinafter referred to as bank holidays) shall be kept as close holidays in all banks in New Zealand, and all bills of exchange and promissory notes which are due and payable on any such bank holiday shall be payable, and in case of non-payment may be noted and protested, on the next following day, and not on such bank holiday; and any such noting or protest shall be as valid as if made on the day on which the bill or note was made due and payable; and for all the purposes of this Act Bills due on bank holidays to be payable on the day following.

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the day next following a bank holiday shall mean the next following day on which a bill of exchange may be lawfully noted or protested.

Provision as to notice of dishonour and presentation for honour.

3. When the day on which any notice of dishonour of an unpaid bill of exchange or promissory note should be given, or when the day on which a bill of exchange or promissory note shall be presented or received for acceptance, or accepted or forwarded to any referee or referees, is a bank holiday, such notice of dishonour shall be given, and such bill of exchange or promissory note shall be presented or forwarded, on the day next following such bank holiday.

As to payments on bank holidays.

4. No person shall be compellable to make any payment or do any act upon such bank holidays which he would not be compellable to do or make on Christmas Day or Good Friday; and the obligation to make such payment and do such act shall apply to the day following such bank holiday; and the making of such payment and doing such act on such following day shall be equivalent to payment of the money or performance of the act on the holiday.

Appointment of special bank holidays by Proclamation.

5. It shall be lawful for the Governor, by Order in Council, from time to time, as to him may seem fit, to appoint a special day to be observed as a bank holiday, either throughout the Colony or in any part thereof, or in any Province County city town or place therein; and any day so appointed shall be kept as a close holiday in all banks within the locality mentioned in the Proclamation hereinafter mentioned, and shall, as regards bills of exchange and promissory notes payable in such locality, be deemed to be a bank holiday for all the purposes of this Act: Provided that the appointment of any such day to be observed as a bank holiday shall be made by Proclamation to be published in the *New Zealand Gazette* at least seven days before the day so appointed as aforesaid.

Day appointed for bank holiday may be altered by Order in Council.

6. It shall be lawful for the Governor in like manner from time to time, by Order in Council, when it shall be made to appear to him that in any year it is inexpedient that a day by this Act appointed for a bank holiday should be a bank holiday, to declare that such day shall not in such year be a bank holiday, and to appoint such other day as to the Governor in Council may seem fit to be a bank holiday instead of such day; and thereupon the day so appointed shall in such year be substituted for the day so appointed by this Act.

Schedule.

SCHEDULE.

BANK HOLIDAYS.

New Year's Day.

Easter Monday.

The twenty-fourth day of May (if a week-day).

The twenty-sixth day of December (if a week-day).

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