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[AS REPORTED FROM THE AGRICULTURAL, PASTORAL, AND STOCK COMMITTEE.]
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Mr. Major.

FARRIERS.

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A BILL INTITULED

AN ACT to require Farriers to pass an Examination to qualify them to undertake Farriery-work. Title.

5 WHEREAS many horses undergo much suffering and are lamed and ruined by carelessness and the want of skill and knowledge of farriers, it is therefore expedient that all persons hereafter seeking employment as farriers should pass an such examination upon such subjects connected with their trade as the Chief Government Veterinarian may direct before being permitted to undertake any farriery work is provided under this Act: Preamble.

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

15 1. This Act may be cited as the Farriers Act, 1907. Short Title.
Struck out.

20 2. In this Act, if not inconsistent with the context,—
“Duly qualified farrier” means an employer or employee who is able to make and fit shoes and is also a competent floorman:
“Floorman” means one who is able to dress feet, nail on and clinch up:
“Registrar” means the Chief Veterinarian for New Zealand, or such other person as the Governor in Council may appoint. Interpretation.

25 3. The Registrar shall from time to time cause the names of all duly qualified farriers to be registered in a book, to be kept by him at his office, called the Register of Farriers. Names of farriers to be registered.

4. Every farrier shall be entitled to be registered, on payment of five shillings, who satisfies the Registrar that— Registration of farriers.

(a.) At the commencement of this Act he had been for at least one year in *bona fide* practice as a farrier, or has been apprenticed to a competent farrier for at least *four* years :

Provided that application for registration be made to the Registrar on or before the first day of July, nine-hundred and *eight* ; or

(b.) He passes such practical and oral examination as may from time to time by regulations be prescribed by the Governor in Council entitling him to be registered, or holds a certificate under the Act.

New clauses.

Farriers.

2. (1.) After the first day of June, nineteen hundred and *eight*, no person shall carry on business as a farrier unless he either—

(a.) Is registered as a farrier under this Act ; or

(b.) Is the employer or partner of a person who is so registered, and who has the immediate control and supervision of the said business.

(2.) Every person who carries on business in breach of the provisions of this section is liable to a fine not exceeding *one pound* for every day on which he so acts, and shall not be competent to recover in any Court any payment for work done by him or materials supplied by him in the course of the said business.

Registration of farriers.

3. (1.) Every person shall be entitled to be registered under this Act who satisfies the Registrar that at the time of the passing of this Act he had either—

(a.) Carried on business as a farrier for a period of not less than one year ; or

(b.) Served for a period of not less than four years as an apprentice or assistant of a farrier.

(2.) No application for registration under this section shall be received after the first day of January, nineteen hundred and *nine*.

(3.) Any person aggrieved by the refusal of the Registrar to register him under this section may, within one month after such refusal, appeal therefrom to a Magistrate, whose decision shall be final.

Who may be registered under Act.

4. (1.) Every person shall be entitled to be registered under this Act who—

(a.) Serves for four years, whether before or after the passing of this Act, as the apprentice or assistant of a farrier ; and

(b.) Passes thereafter the examination provided for by this Act.

(2.) The said examination shall comprise—

(a.) A practical test of the candidate's efficiency in the trade of making horse-shoes and of shoeing horses ; and

(b.) A written or oral examination in the anatomy and physiology of the horse's foot, and in such other subjects pertaining or relating to the trade of a farrier, as are prescribed by regulations made under the authority of this Act.

Registrar of Farriers.

5. (1.) The Governor may appoint any person to be the Registrar of Farriers, and any persons to be Deputy Registrars of

Farriers, who may hold such office in conjunction with any other which the Governor deems not incompatible therewith.

5 (2.) It shall be the duty of the Registrar to keep a register of farriers in pursuance of this Act, and to carry out the provisions of this Act and of regulations made by virtue thereof with respect to the examination of applicants for registration.

6. Every person registered under this Act shall be entitled from time to time, on payment of a fee of *one* shilling, to receive a certificate of registration under the hand of the Registrar, and any certificate of registration purporting to be under the hand of the Registrar shall be received as *prima facie* evidence that the person named therein is duly registered. Certificate of registration.

7. In every prosecution for an offence against this Act the burden of proving that any person is duly registered under this Act shall be on the defendant. Burden of proof of registration.

8. The Governor may, by Order in Council gazetted, make regulations prescribing— Regulations.

(a.) The scope of the examination provided by this Act, and the manner, times, and places in and at which the same shall be conducted :

(b.) The fees payable by candidates for examination or registration under this Act :

(c.) The remuneration of examiners under this Act :

(d.) The duties of the Registrar and of the Deputy Registrars under this Act.

9. All fees received under this Act shall be paid into the Public Account and form part of the Consolidated Fund, and all expenses incurred in the administration of this Act shall be paid out of moneys appropriated by Parliament. Application of fees, &c.