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MILLERS' HOURS OF LABOUR.

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A BILL INTITULED

AN ACT to limit the Hours of Labour in Flour-mills.

Title.

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

5 1. The Short Title of this Act is "The Millers' Hours of Labour Act, 1899."

Short Title.

Struck out.

10 2. No person shall be employed in or about a mill in which flour or oatmeal is made, for more than *nine* hours in any one day, nor for more than *fifty-one* hours in any one week, nor for more than *four and a half* consecutive hours without an interval of at least *one* hour for a meal, except on Saturday, when the consecutive hours may be *six*.

Limitation of hours of labour in mill.

15 3. The occupier of every such mill shall keep a register, in such form as the Governor in Council may direct, of the persons employed in the mill, and of the hours of their employment on each day, and of such other matters as the Governor in Council may direct.

Occupier to keep register.

20 4. It shall be the duty of Inspectors under "The Factories Act, 1894," to enforce the provisions of this Act relating to hours of employment and registers, and for this purpose sections thirteen, fourteen, fifteen, sixteen, and seventeen of that Act shall apply as if a mill were a factory.

Certain sections of "The Factories Act 1894," to apply.

25 5. (1.) In the event of any contravention of any provision of this Act in or with regard to a mill, the occupier of the mill shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding *five* pounds.

Penalties.

30 (2.) In case of a second or subsequent conviction of any person under this Act within two years from the last-preceding conviction, the penalty imposed shall be not less than *one* pound for each offence.

(3.) Offences under this Act shall be prosecuted and penalties recovered in like manner as offences are prosecuted and penalties recovered under "The Factories Act, 1894," and for that purpose sections sixty-four, sixty-seven, seventy-one, seventy-two, seventy-three, seventy-four, seventy-five, and seventy-six of that Act, so far as they relate to legal proceedings, shall apply as if this Act formed part of that Act and as if a mill were a factory or a workshop. 5

New clauses.

A. "Miller" means any person employed for hire or reward in any mill in which flour or oatmeal is made, but does not include 10 persons employed in carting or carrying grain and mill products to and from the mill.

B. No miller shall be employed in or about a mill in which flour or oatmeal is made for more than eight hours in any one day, nor for more than forty-eight hours in any one week. 15