Mr. Levestam.

PUBLIC OFFENDERS' DISQUALIFICATION ACT 1867 AMENDMENT.

ANALYSIS.

Title. 3. Provisions of Act to apply to cases when part 1. Short Title. of sentences remitted. 4. Repeal. 2. Persons convicted of felony restored to civil rights. Proviso.

A BILL INTITULED

An Acr to amend "The Public Offenders' Disqualification Act, 1867." BE IT 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 is "The Public Offenders' Disqualification Short Title. Act 1867 Amendment Act, 1882."

2. Whereas it is expedient to prevent all doubts respecting the civil rights Persons convicted of of persons convicted of felonies, not capital, who have undergone the punishment to which they were adjudged:

Be it therefore enacted that, where any offender hath been or shall be convicted of any felony not punishable with death, and hath endured or shall endure the punishment to which such offender hath been or shall be adjudged for the same, the punishment so endured hath and shall have the like effects and consequences as a free pardon as to the felony whereof the offender was so

15 convicted: Provided always that nothing herein contained, nor the enduring Proviso. of such punishment, shall prevent or mitigate any punishment to which the offender might otherwise be lawfully sentenced on a subsequent conviction for anv other felony.

3. The word "offender," used in the second section of this Act, shall also Provisions of Act to 20 be deemed to apply to the case of any offender who shall not have endured the apply to cases when whole punishment to which he was adjudged as to any portion of such punishment as shall have been remitted by authority of law.

4. Any provision of any law, Act, or Ordinance in force in this colony Repeal. conflicting with or repugnant to the provisions of this Act shall be deemed to 25 be and is hereby repealed.

> By Authority: George Didsbury, Government Printer, Wellington.-1882. No. 61-1.