TOTALISATOR GRADUAL EXTINCTION.

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A BILL INTITULED

An Act to restrict, and ultimately abolish, the use of the Totalisator. Title. BE IT ENACTED by the General Assembly of New Zealand in Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same, as fol-5 lows :--

1. The Short Title of this Act is "The Totalisator Gradual short Title. Extinction Act, 1899."

2. In this Act,—

Interpretation,

"Totalisator" means the instrument known as the totalisator, and includes every machine or instrument of a like kind or conducted upon the like principle.

"Bookmaker" means any person or persons who, either alone or in conjunction with others, or in partnership with others, bets or wagers, or carries on betting or wagering, as a recognised calling, business, or means of livelihood.

3. Notwithstanding anything contained in "The Gaming and Number of licenses Lotteries Act, 1881," or "The Gaming Act, 1894," the number of that may be issued. licenses authorising the use of the totalisator, or which the Colonial Secretary may lawfully issue, in the year one thousand nine hundred 20 shall not exceed one hundred and fifty-six; the number of licenses to be issued for the year one thousand nine hundred and one shall not exceed one hundred and seventeen; the number of licenses to be issued for the year one thousand nine hundred and two shall not exceed seventy-eight; the number of licenses to be issued for the 25 year one thousand nine hundred and three shall not exceed thirtynine; and from and after the year one thousand nine hundred and four no licenses shall be issued.

4. Under every license so issued the number of days for which Number of days for the totalisator may be used at any one race-meeting shall be as which totalisator 30 follows:-

may be issued.

(1.) For a metropolitan club not more than three days at any one meeting held during the flat or summer season, and two days at any steeplechase or winter meeting; No. 100—1.

(2.) For a country club not more than two days at any one meeting held during the flat or summer season, and one day at any steeplechase or winter meeting.

Unlawful for any racing club using the totalisator to license a bookmaker.

5. It shall not be lawful for any racing club, using the totalisator, to license any bookmaker to bet or wager on any racecourse belonging to such club, or on any course on which such club carries on racing, and if such club so licenses a bookmaker, on any day on which the totalisator is to be used, then and in such case the license issued to such club to use the totalisator shall be immediately cancelled without any further or other notice than is provided by 10 this section.

By Authority: JOHN MACKAY, Government Printer, Wellington.—1899.