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UNIVERSAL SATURDAY HALF-HOLIDAY.

ANALYSIS.

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A BILL INTITULED

AN ACT to amend "The Shops and Offices Act, 1904."

Title.

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 Universal Saturday Half-holiday Act, 1906"; and it shall form part of and be read together with "The Shops and Offices Act, 1904" (hereinafter referred to as "the principal Act").

Short Title.

2. (1.) All shops shall be closed not later than one of the clock in the afternoon of Saturday each week, and shall continue closed for the remainder of the day:

Universal Saturday half-holiday.

Provided that this section shall not apply to any shop wherein is exclusively carried on any one or more of the businesses of a fishmonger, a fruiterer, a confectioner, a refreshment-room keeper, a baker, or a bookstall-keeper on a railway-station or wharf; but nothing herein shall affect the right of any shop-assistant employed in any excepted shop to a half-holiday for the remainder of the day from one o'clock in the afternoon of such working-day in each week as the occupier, in the case of each individual assistant, thinks fit.

(2.) This section is in substitution for paragraph (a) of section fifteen of the principal Act, which paragraph is hereby accordingly repealed.

Repeal.

3. The principal Act is hereby consequentially amended as follows:—

Consequential amendments.

(a.) By repealing sections eight to fourteen and twenty-four thereof:

(b.) By repealing the words "in the event of Saturday being appointed as the statutory closing-day in the district" in paragraph (b) of section fifteen thereof.

By Authority: JOHN MACKAY, Government Printer, Wellington.—1906.