Hon. Mr. Dick.

ADULTERATION PREVENTION ACT AMENDMENT.

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A BILL INTITULED

An Act to amend "The Adulteration Prevention Act, 1880." Title. BE IT ENACTED by the General Assembly of New Zealand in

5 Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:—

1. The Short Title of this Act is "The Adulteration Prevention short Title. Act Amendment Act, 1883."

2. In this Act, if not inconsistent with the context,— Interpretation.

"Inspector" means an Inspector of Weights and Measures appointed under "The Weights and Measures Act, 1868," and includes any other person appointed by a local authority to do or perform any duty by this Act imposed upon an Inspector:

"Local authority" means and includes any Borough Council, County Council, or Town Board respectively constituted under any Act of the General Assembly.

3. After the passing of this Act no baker or seller of bread shall No bread to be sold make, sell, or offer for sale any bread not made up into loaves of two, unless made up of certain weights. four, six, or eight pounds in weight respectively.

4. If any baker or seller of bread shall sell or offer for sale any Penalty for breach of 20 bread in any other manner than in loaves of two, four, six, or eight last section. pounds in weight he shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding five

5. Any Inspector may, and he is hereby required from time to Powers and duties of 25 time, to inspect all bread offered for sale or in course of delivery to customers within the limits of the districts for which such Inspector has been appointed or acts, and, if he shall think fit, to weigh No. 57-1.

Penalty for selling bread deficient in weight. the same with fit and proper scales and weights, or require the same to be weighed by any baker or seller of bread who offers such bread for sale, or who is in the course of delivering the same to customers.

6. It any bread so sold or offered for sale shall be found deficient in weight, any such baker or seller of bread who shall so offend shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding *five* pounds.

(1.) But no baker or seller of bread shall be liable to the aforesaid

penalty in respect of any stale bread.

(2.) And if any baker or seller of bread shall sell any loaf or loaves of stale bread which may be found deficient in weight he shall make up such deficiency by adding thereto other bread; and if any baker or seller of bread sell any stale bread deficient in weight without making up such deficiency as aforesaid, he shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding five pounds.

(3.) "Stale bread" means all bread that may have been manufaction tured for a period of twenty-four hours and upwards.

7. Every person who shall wilfully resist, impede, or obstruct any Inspector appointed or acting under the provisions of this Act in the lawful execution of his duty shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding ten pounds nor less than two pounds.

8. Every local authority may appoint one or more officers of police, or any other person or persons, to be an Inspector or Inspectors for the purposes of this Act, and every such Inspector shall, within the district in or over which such local authority has jurisdiction, have and may exercise all the powers and authorities by this Act vested in an 25 Inspector

Inspector.

9. In any county where the law for the time being in force constituting counties is not in operation, or has been suspended in accordance with such law, the power of appointing an Inspector shall vest in any authority or body having under such law the functions or 30 duties of the original County Council in any road district or town

district constituted under any Act of the General Assembly.

10. Nothing in this Act shall extend or apply to bread of the class known as "fancy bread."

"Fancy bread" means all bread of the kind usually sold as 35 "cottage loaves," "twists," "French loaves," and all small bread not exceeding in any case one pound in weight.

11. Notwithstanding anything contained in the thirtieth section of "The Adulteration Prevention Act, 1880," every Inspector of Nuisances or Inspector of Weights and Measures may procure any article of food or any drug for the purpose of being analyzed without being required to do so by any person as in the said section mentioned.

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