Mr. Hoga.

BICYCLE-DEALERS' REGISTRATION.

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3. Bicycle-dealer to be licensed.

A BILL INTITULED

An Act to simplify the Discovery of Stolen Bicycles.

BE IT ENACTED by the General Assembly of New Zealand in Title. Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same, as fol-5 lows :-

1. The Short Title of this Act is "The Bicycle-dealers' Regis- Short Title. tration Act, 1900."

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

Interpretation.

"Dealer" shall mean any bicycle-dealer who buys or sells or repairs any bicycles, whether new or second-hand:

"Constable" shall mean any member of the Police Force.

3. (1.) On and after the thirtieth day of September, in the year Bicycle-dealer one thousand nine hundred, it shall be compulsory for every bicycle- to be licensed. dealer to be licensed, such license to be granted annually, on payment 15 of the sum of five shillings, by any Stipendiary Magistrate, subject to the applicant being approved of by the police.

(2.) Every dealer so licensed shall enter in a book kept for that purpose the number, description, and owner's name and address of every bicycle that shall pass through his hands, whether for sale, 20 repairs, or any other purpose; and such book shall be open for inspection from time to time by any constable.

(3.) Where no number is visible it shall suffice to enter a full

description of the bicycle in lieu of the number.

Any dealer neglecting or refusing to do any of the acts as afore-

25 said shall commit a breach of this Act.

4. The penalty for a breach of any of the provisions of this Act Penalty. shall be: For the first conviction, any sum not exceeding five pounds; and for a second conviction, any sum not less than five pounds and not to exceed twenty pounds; and upon a third conviction, such 30 dealer's license shall be cancelled, in addition to any fine not to exceed twenty-five pounds that the presiding Justices shall think fit to impose.