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[AS AMENDED BY THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.]

Hon. Mr. Reeves.

FACTORIES ACT AMENDMENT.

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A BILL INTITULED

AN ACT for the Amendment of "The Factories Act, 1891."

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 Factories Act Amendment Act, 1892." It shall be read together with "The Factories Act, 1891" (herein referred to as "the principal Act").

Short Title.

2. Sections twenty-nine, forty-one, forty-two, forty-three, forty-four, and the First Schedule of the principal Act are hereby repealed.

Repeal.

3. Every factory or work-room shall be kept in a cleanly state, and free from effluvia arising from any drain, privy, or other nuisance. Where members of both sexes are working in the same factory or work-room, there shall be a water-closet or privy for each sex, separated in such a manner as to insure privacy, to the satisfaction of the Inspector.

Factories, &c., to be kept clean.

4. All the inside walls of the rooms of every bakehouse, and all the ceilings or tops of such rooms (whether such walls, ceilings, or tops be plastered or not), and all the passages and staircases of such bakehouse, shall either be painted with oil, or varnished, or be washed with lime or some other wash or liquid approved by an Inspector, or be partly painted or varnished and partly so washed; where painted with oil or varnish there shall be three coats of paint or varnish, and the paint or varnish shall be renewed once at least in seven years, and shall be washed with hot water and soap once at least in every twelve months, and when lime-washed the lime-washing shall be renewed once at least in every six months.

Bakehouses to be lime-washed.

A bakehouse in which there is a contravention of this section shall be deemed not to be kept in conformity with this Act.

Bakehouses not to be used as sleeping-places in certain cases.

5. A place on the same level with the bakehouse, and forming part of the same building, shall not be used as a sleeping-place unless it is constructed as follows, that is to say,—

Unless such sleeping-place is effectually separated from the bakehouse by a partition extending from the floor to the ceiling ; and 5

Unless there be an external glazed window of at least nine superficial feet in area, of which at least four and a half superficial feet are made to open for ventilation.

Penalty for letting or occupying bakehouse in contravention of Act.

6. Any person who occupies, or knowingly suffers to be occupied, any place contrary to the provisions of the last-preceding section shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding, for the first offence, one pound, and for every subsequent offence five pounds. 10

Certain places not to be let or occupied as bakehouses.

7. It shall not be lawful to let, or suffer to be occupied, as a bakehouse, or to occupy as a bakehouse, any room or place unless the following regulations are complied with :— 15

(1.) No water-closet, earth-closet, privy, or ashpit shall be within or communicate directly with the bakehouse.

(2.) Any cistern for supplying water to the bakehouse shall be separate and distinct from any cistern for supplying water to a water-closet. 20

(3.) No drain or pipe for carrying off faecal or sewage matter shall have an opening within the bakehouse.

Penalty.

Any person who lets, or suffers to be occupied, or who occupies, any room or place as a bakehouse in contravention of this section shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding two pounds, and to a further fine not exceeding ten shillings for every day during which any room or place is so occupied after a conviction under this section. 25

Struck out.

Appointment of Chief Inspector.

8. In addition to any Inspectors appointed under the principal Act, the Governor may from time to time appoint any person to be Chief Inspector under the principal Act, who shall have and may exercise in any part of the colony all the powers and authorities conferred upon Inspectors by the said Act. 30

Employment of boys between thirteen and fourteen years of age.

9. Notwithstanding anything contained in section fifty-two of the principal Act, no boy of or above the age of thirteen years and under the age of fourteen years shall be employed in any factory, unless he can prove to the satisfaction of the Inspector that his wages are necessary for the support of the family to which he belongs, or for his own support, and unless the said approval is noted in the Inspector's certificate of his fitness for employment. 35

Employment outside of factory deemed employment within.

10 8. Notwithstanding anything contained in section seventy-three or any other section of the principal Act, every person shall be deemed to be employed in a factory or workroom who is employed by an occupier in any manner connected with the handicraft or manufacture carried on in the factory or workroom in any premises or place contiguous or adjacent to such factory or workroom. 40 45

Any premises or place shall, for the purposes of the principal Act and this Act, be deemed to be contiguous or adjacent to a factory or workroom if only separated therefrom by a road, street, right-of-way, or stream.

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New Clauses.

9. Slaughter - houses, freezing - works, dairy - factories, and shearing-sheds shall not be included in the definition of " Factory or workroom " in the principal Act, and shall be exempted from the operation thereof and the foregoing provisions of this Act. Slaughter-houses, &c., not to be deemed factories.

5 | 10. The Schedule hereto shall be substituted for the First Schedule of the principal Act. New Schedule.

SCHEDULE.

Schedule.

FEEs FOR REGISTRATION OF FACTORIES OR WORK-ROOMS.

	£	s.	d.
Every factory or work-room in which more than thirty persons are employed, per annum	...	2	2 0
Every factory or work-room in which more than ten and not more than thirty persons are employed, per annum	...	1	1 0
Every factory or work-room in which more than two and not more than ten persons are employed, per annum	...	0	5 0