[As reported from the Labour Bills Committee, 22nd August, 1902.]

Hon. Mr. W. C. Walker.

FACTORIES AMENDMENT.

ANALYSIS.

Title.
1. Short Title.
2. Permit for overtime.

- 3. Section 31 of principal Actamended.
- Alternative day for half-holiday.
 Section 44 of principal Act amended.

A BILL INTITULED

An Act to amend "The Factories Act, 1901."

Title.

BE IT ENACTED by the General Assembly of New Zealand in Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same, as 5 follows:—

1. The Short Title of this Act is "The Factories Amendment Short Title. Act, 1902," and it shall form part of and be read together with "The Factories Act, 1901" (hereinafter referred to as "the principal Act").

2. (1.) It shall not be lawful to extend the working-hours of Permit for any woman or boy under section twenty-two of the principal Act unless the occupier of the factory has first obtained from the

Inspector a warrant in the prescribed form.

(2.) Written application for such warrant shall be made to the 15 Inspector by the occupier at least twenty four hours previous to the commencement of the proposed extension, specifying the names of the women or boys to whom the extension is intended to apply, and the period of the extension.

(3.) If the Inspector is of opinion that such extension would be 20 dangerous or hurtful to the health of any of the persons named in the application, he shall refuse to grant a warrant in respect of such

persons

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(4.) The occupier shall cause the warrant to be posted in some conspicuous part of the factory during the extended hours specified

25 in the warrant.

(5.) The Inspector shall keep a record of the names of all those women or boys in respect of whom a warrant is granted, and shall note against the name of each the extended hours worked by him or her, so that the full amount of overtime permitted by the said 30 section twenty-two shall not in any case be exceeded.

No. 69—2.

Section 31 of principal Act amended.

3. Section thirty-one of the principal Act is hereby amended by repealing all the words of subsection one thereof after the words "five shillings per week," and substituting in lieu thereof the words "during the first year of employment for every person under twenty years of age, with an annual increase of not less than three shillings 5 per week during every succeeding year of employment in the same trade until twenty years of age."

Struck out.

Alternative day for half-holiday. 4. (1.) Where in any borough or town district Saturday is found to be an inconvenient day for the weekly half-holiday prescribed by section thirty-three of the principal Act, the Council or Town Board may from time to time, by special order, substitute another working-day in the week for the half-holiday in lieu of Saturday.

(2.) Such substituted working-day may, according to the tenor of the special order, be either the same for all factories in the borough or town district, or different for different classes or descriptions of factories.

(3.) So long as such special order continues in force the provisions of the principal Act relating to the half-holiday on Saturday shall apply to the half-holiday on the substituted working-day.

5. Section forty-four of the principal Act is hereby amended by adding after the words "human consumption," the words "or of any textile fabric"; and by repealing the words "of food" in subsection three thereof.

Section 44 of principal Act amended.

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