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[AS REPORTED FROM THE GOLDFIELDS AND MINES COMMITTEE.]

Hon. Sir J. Vogel.



GOLD EXPORT DUTY ABOLITION.

ANALYSIS.

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A BILL INTITULED

AN ACT to abolish the Export Duty on Gold, ~~and for other Purposes.~~
BE IT ENACTED by the General Assembly of New Zealand in
Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:—

Title.

5 1. The Short Title of this Act is "The Gold Export Duty
Abolition Act, 1885."

Short Title.

2. No export duty shall be leviable on gold produced by mining
within any part of the colony ~~after the expiration of two calendar
months~~ after the passing of this Act.

Gold export duty
abolished.

Struck out.

10 3. The exporter of any gold after the expiration of such two
calendar months shall, together with the gold so exported, deliver to
the Collector of Customs at the place of export a declaration made
by him setting forth whether any, and, if so, what, part of such gold
15 was obtained by mining before or within such two calendar months,
and the present export duty shall be payable on the portion thereof so
obtained. This section shall remain in force for twelve calendar
months after the passing of this Act, and no longer.

Exporter to make
declaration.

20 4. If any exporter of gold shall knowingly make a false declara-
tion in relation to the matter aforesaid, he shall be guilty of a mis-
demeanour, punishable, on conviction thereof, by fine not exceeding
five hundred pounds, or imprisonment not exceeding two years, or by
both, at the discretion of the Judge by whom the offence shall be
tried.

False declaration a
misdemeanour.