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LITERARY COPYRIGHT.

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A BILL INTITULED

AN ACT to institute Literary Copyright in New Zealand. Title.

WHEREAS it is reasonable that there should be copyright in literary works produced in the colony :

5 BE IT THEREFORE 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 Literary Copyright Act, 1895." Short Title.

10 2. From and after the passing of this Act, two copies of every book published in the colony shall be transmitted to the Librarian of the Parliamentary Library for use and reference. Books to be sent to Parliamentary Library.

15 3. The word "book" means any printed matter (other than purely advertising matter) extending over twelve pages post octavo or other larger pages ; and "Librarian" means any person in charge of the Parliamentary Library for the time being. Interpretation.

20 4. The Librarian shall keep a book, to be known as the "New Zealand Bibliographic Register," in which shall be inserted the title of every book thus transmitted to the Library, together with the names of the author and publisher and the place of publication. Librarian to keep "New Zealand Bibliographic Register."

25 5. The Librarian shall, in the month of January in each year, cause to be published in the *Gazette* an extract copy of the "New Zealand Bibliographic Register" for the year ended the thirty-first day of the previous December, forming from year to year a complete record of the literature of the colony. "New Zealand Bibliographic Register" to be published in the *Gazette* yearly.

6. Every book registered as aforesaid shall be the copyright of the author or publisher of the same ; and there shall be no copyright in any book published in the colony which has not been so registered in terms of this Act. Registration.