

(Sir Cracroft Wilson.)

Master and Apprentice.

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A BILL INTITULED

AN ACT to amend "The Master and Apprentice Act, 1865."

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 shall be "The Master and Apprentice Act Amendment Act, 1873." Short Title.
- 2. This Act shall be read and construed with and as part of "The Master and Apprentice Act, 1865" (hereinafter called "the said Act"). Construction.
- 3. The provisions of the said Act shall apply to indentures of apprenticeship duly executed in Great Britain or Ireland by any child above the age of twelve years, and by his parent or guardian (or if such child have no parent or guardian living, by two Justices residing in the town parish or county where such child may be residing), of the one part, and by or on behalf of any householder tradesman farmer or other person exercising any trade art or manual occupation in New Zealand, of the other part, and the provisions of this Act shall extend to such indentures whether executed prior to the passing of this Act or subsequently thereto. Provisions of "Master and Apprentice Act, 1865," to extend to indentures executed abroad.
- 4. The production of any indentures of apprenticeship executed and attested as by this Act is required shall be sufficient *prima facie* evidence that such indentures have been duly executed as aforesaid, and the same shall for all purposes and in all Courts be received and receivable in evidence accordingly. What sufficient evidence of execution.
- 5. All the provisions of the said Act shall extend to and be applicable to the indentures of apprenticeship in this Act mentioned, and to the person or persons bound thereby or being parties thereto, as effectually as if such indentures had been executed within the Colony of New Zealand, in the manner provided by "The Master and Apprentice Act, 1865." Provisions of former Act to apply.