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This Public Bill originated in the House of Representatives, and, having this day passed as now printed, is transmitted to the LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL for its concurrence.

House of Representatives. 9th October, 1901.

Hon. Mr. Carroll.

## MAORI ANTIQUITIES.

## ANALYSIS.

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## A BILL INTITULED

An Act to prevent the Removal from the Colony of Maori Title. Antiquities.

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

1. The Short Title of this Act is "The Maori Antiquities Short Title. Act, 1901."

2. In this Act, if not inconsistent with the context, "Maori Interpretation. 10 antiquities" includes any Maori relics or articles manufactured with ancient Maori tools and according to Maori methods, or other articles or things of historical or scientific value or interest and relating to New Zealand, but does not include any private collection not intended for sale, or botanical or mineral collections or 15 specimens.

3. The Governor may acquire on behalf of the colony such Governor may Maori antiquities as he deems expedient, and may provide for the acquire and provide for safe custody of safe custody of the same.

4. From and after the passing of this Act, it shall not be lawful Maori antiquities to 20 to remove from the colony any Maori antiquities without first offering the same for sale to some person authorised in that behalf by the before exportation. Governor in Council for the benefit of the colony.

5. It shall be the duty of all officers of Police and Customs to Power to detain seize and detain any such Maori antiquities attempted to be removed Maori antiquities attempted to be 25 from the colony contrary to this Act.

6. Any person may at any time present to an authorised Provision for Government officer any Maori antiquity, and obtain permission to or dispose of Maori remove the same from the colony or dispose thereof by sale or other-antiquities. wise at any time thereafter, which permission shall be signified by a

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30 stamp or mark made thereon by such officer.

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- 7. In case any dispute arises as to whether any article or thing comes within the scope of this Act, such dispute shall be determined by the Colonial Secretary.
  - 8. The Governor may from time to time make regulations,—
  - (1.) Prescribing the duties and powers of officers of Police and Customs in enforcing the provisions of this Act;
  - (2.) Prescribing penalties for the breach of any such regulation; (3.) Prescribing anything required for the more effectual carry
    - ing-out of the provisions of this Act.

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