

DRAFT BILL.

New Zealand University and University Colleges.

A BILL INTITULED

Title.

AN ACT to repeal Acts relating to the New Zealand University, "The Otago University Ordinance, 1869," and "The Canterbury College Ordinance, 1873," and to reconstitute the New Zealand University, and to found University Colleges for the advancement of Learning in New Zealand.

Preamble.

WHEREAS, under and by virtue of the provisions of two Acts, the Short Titles whereof are respectively "The New Zealand University Act, 1874," and "The New Zealand University Act 1874 Amendment Act, 1875," the body corporate established by "The New Zealand University Act, 1870," was reconstituted, and declared to be a University consisting of a Chancellor, a Vice-Chancellor, Fellows, and Graduates, and as such has been incorporated and made a body politic, with perpetual succession, under the name of "The University of New Zealand," with power to grant the several degrees of Bachelor and Master in Arts, and Bachelor and Doctor in Law, Medicine, and Music: And whereas Her Majesty the Queen did, by Letters Patent, dated the twenty-ninth day of July, in the fortieth year of Her reign, grant a Royal Charter to the New Zealand University, declaring that the degrees thereafter to be conferred by the said University should be recognized as academic distinctions and rewards of merit, and be entitled to rank, precedence, and consideration in the United Kingdom and in Her colonies and possessions throughout the world, as fully as if the said degrees had been granted by any University of the United Kingdom: And whereas the provisions of the said recited Acts have not been found sufficient or satisfactory, and it is expedient to repeal the same, and to amend the law relating to the New Zealand University, and, for the better advancement of learning among all classes of Her Majesty's subjects in New Zealand, to make provision for reconstituting the New Zealand University, and also for establishing Colleges of the said University:

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

Short Title.

1. The Short Title of this Act is "The New Zealand University and University Colleges Act, 1879."

Repealing clause.

2. "The New Zealand University Act, 1874," "The New Zealand University Act 1874 Amendment Act, 1875," "The New Zealand University Reserves Act, 1875;" "The Otago University Ordinance, 1869," of the Otago Provincial Legislature; and "The Canterbury College Ordinance, 1873," of the Canterbury Provincial Legislature, are hereby repealed.

Affiliation to cease.

3. Upon the coming into operation of this Act all institutions affiliated to the University of New Zealand shall cease to be so affiliated; but all undergraduates or scholars who, at the time of the