## Mr. Pirani.

## MARRIAGE ACT 1880 AMENDMENT.

## ANALYSIS.

Title. 1. Short Title. 2. Registrar-General may refuse to register. 3. Nomination of officiating minister. 4. Amendment of section 17 of "The Marriage Act, 1880."

## A BILL INTITULED

An Act to amend the Law relating to Marriage.

Title.

BE IT ENACTED by the General Assembly of New Zealand in Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same, as fol-5 lows :-

1. The Short Title of this Act is "The Marriage Act 1880 Short Title. Amendment Act, 1896." It shall be deemed to be incorporated with "The Marriage Act, 1880" (hereinafter referred to as "the said Act").

2. It shall be optional on the part of the Registrar-General to Registrar-General 10 refuse to register the name of any person in the list of officiating may refuse to register. ministers within the meaning of the said Act.

3. Any body of persons exceeding fifty adults may nominate Nomination of one of their number to be an officiating minister for the purposes of officiating minister. the said Act, notwithstanding that such person is not an officiating 15 minister of such body within the meaning of the said Act.

4. The three days mentioned in section seventeen of the said Amendment of Act shall be deemed to include the first day of residence in such district and the day upon which the marriage is colomniced.

\*\*Rection 17 of "The Marriage Act, 1880." trict and the day upon which the marriage is solemnised.

By Authority: John Mackay, Government Printer, Wellington.—1896. No. 52—1.