

## No. II.

**An Act to make provision for Bank Holidays BANK HOLIDAYS.**  
 and respecting obligations to make payments and do other acts on such Holidays.  
 [14th July, 1875.]

WHEREAS it is expedient to make provision for rendering certain Preamble. days Bank holidays and for enabling Bank holidays to be appointed by proclamation Be it therefore enacted by the Queen's Most Excellent Majesty by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and Legislative Assembly of New South Wales in Parliament assembled and by the authority of the same as follows:—

1. After the passing of this Act the several days in the Schedule to this Act mentioned (and which days are in this Act hereinafter referred to as Bank holidays) shall be kept as close holidays in all Banks in the Colony of New South Wales and all bills of exchange and promissory-notes which are due and payable on any such Bank holiday shall be payable and in case of non-payment may be noted and protested on the next following day and not on such Bank holiday and any such noting or protest shall be as valid as if made on the day on which the bill of exchange or promissory-note was made due and payable and for all the purposes of this Act the day next following a Bank holiday shall mean the next following day on which a bill of exchange or promissory-note may be lawfully noted or protested.

2. When the day on which any notice of dishonor of an unpaid bill of exchange or promissory-note should be given or when the day on which a bill of exchange or promissory-note should be presented or received for acceptance or payment or accepted or forwarded to any referee or referees is a Bank holiday such notice of dishonour shall be given and such bill of exchange or promissory-note shall be presented or forwarded on the day next following such Bank holiday.

3. No person shall be compellable to make any payment or to do any act upon such Bank holidays which he would not be compellable to do or make upon the Lord's Day commonly called Sunday and the obligation to make such payment and to do such act shall apply to the day following such Bank holiday and the making of such payment and doing such act on such following day shall be equivalent to payment of the money or performance of the act on the holiday.

4. It shall be lawful for the Governor by and with the advice of the Executive Council from time to time by proclamation in the *Government Gazette* to appoint a special day to be observed as a Public holiday either throughout New South Wales or in any part thereof or in any city town borough or district therein and any day so appointed shall be kept as a close holiday in all Banks within the locality mentioned in such proclamation and shall as regards bills of exchange and promissory-notes payable as aforesaid be deemed to be a Bank holiday for all the purposes of this Act.

5. It shall be lawful for the Governor with the advice of the Executive Council in like manner from time to time when it is made to appear to the Governor and Executive Council in any special case that in any year it is inexpedient that a day by this Act appointed for a Bank holiday should be a Bank holiday to declare by proclamation in the

Bills due on Bank  
holidays to be payable  
on following day.

Provision as to  
notices of dishonor  
and presentation for  
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As to payments on  
Bank holidays.

Appointment of  
special Bankholidays.

Day appointed for  
Bank holiday may  
be vetoed by procla-  
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the *Government Gazette* published not less than one week before the day appointed for such holiday that such day shall not in such year be a Bank holiday and to appoint such other as to the Governor and Executive Council may seem fit to be a Bank holiday instead of such day and thereupon the day so appointed shall in such year be substituted for the day so appointed by this Act.

Short title.

6. This Act may be cited for all purposes as the "Bank Holidays Act 1875."

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SCHEDULE.

The first day of January.  
 The twenty-sixth day of January.  
 Good Friday.  
 The day after Good Friday.  
 Easter Monday.  
 The Anniversary of the Birthday of Her Majesty or her Successor.  
 The first day of August.  
 The Anniversary of the Birthday of the Prince of Wales.  
 Christmas Day.  
 The twenty-sixth day of December.

When any of the above days falls upon a Sunday the next following Monday shall be a Bank holiday and whenever the twenty-sixth day of December falls upon a Monday the day following shall be a Bank holiday.

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