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BILL.

[No. 21.

An Act to amend the "Interpretation Act," in so far as it relates to Holidays.

THEREAS great inconvenience has been experienced in the trans- Preamble. action of public business, and has arisen particularly to the commercial interests of this Country by the observance of so many holidays as are now held to be obligatory under the provision of the Interpreta-5 tion Act hereinafter mentioned : Be it therefore enacted, &c., that

From and after the passing of this Act the sub-section numbered Subsection 12, "Twelfthly," in the fifth section or clause of the Interpretation Act, shall of Sec. 5, of 12 be and is hereby repealed.

II. From and after the passing of this Act, the word "Holiday" in How the word 10 any Act to which the said *Interpretation Act* is or shall be applicable, holiday shall shall include Sundays, Christmas Day and New Year's Day, and any be understood day appointed by Proclamation for a general Fast or Thanksgiving, and no other: Provided always, that nothing herein contained shall apply to or affect any day specially appointed to be observed as a holiday by 15 any Bank or Banking Company, under any Act now in force.