

[Compiled by the Solicitor-General, under the provisions of "The Statutes Compilation Act, 1902," pursuant to the resolution of both Houses of the General Assembly dated the 21st day of November, 1903.]

## MARRIAGE ACTS COMPILATION.

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AN ACT to compile certain Acts relating to the Law of Marriage in New Zealand. Title.

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

1. (1.) The Short Title of this Act is "The Marriage Acts Compilation Act, 1904." Short Title.

(2.) This Act is a compilation of the Acts mentioned in Schedule A hereto.