

No. 8.

An Act to amend the Act, passed in the second year of the reign of Her present Majesty Queen Victoria, intituled, "*An Act to define the qualifications of Medical Witnesses at Coroners' Inquests, and Inquiries held before Justices of the Peace, in the Colony of New South Wales.*"

WHEREAS by an Act, passed in the second year of the reign of Her Majesty Queen Victoria, intituled, "*An Act to define the qualifications of Medical Witnesses at Coroners' Inquests, and Inquiries held before Justices of the Peace, in the Colony of New South Wales,*" it is enacted, that no person, from and after the first day of January, then next ensuing, shall, for the purposes of a certain Act therein recited, and passed in the same session, intituled, "*An Act to provide for the attendance of Medical Witnesses at Coroners' Inquests, and Inquiries held before Justices of the Peace,*" be deemed a legally qualified Medical Practitioner, unless such person should have proved to the satisfaction of the President, and any other member of a Medical Board, thereafter provided to be appointed, that he is a Doctor, or Bachelor of Medicine of some University, or a Physician or Surgeon licensed or admitted as such, by some College of Physicians, or Surgeons, in Great Britain or Ireland, or a member of the company of Apothecaries of London, or who is, or has been a Medical Officer, duly appointed and confirmed, of Her Majesty's sea or land service; and by the said Act, it is further enacted, that it should be lawful for the Governor, or acting Governor of the Colony of New South Wales, for the time being, to appoint a Committee, consisting of at least three Members, being of the Medical profession, one of whom should be nominated President, together with a Secretary, under the style and description of "The New South Wales Medical Board," with power for the said Governor, or acting Governor, to remove the said Members, or any of them, and to appoint others in their place, and that any person desirous of being declared a "legally qualified Medical Practitioner," as aforesaid, shall submit his degree, diploma, or other certificate, or proof of his being so duly qualified, for the examination and approval of the said Medical Board, and shall obtain from the said Medical Board, a certificate of his being so qualified; and whereas a Medical Board has been appointed in Sydney, under the said recited Act, but considerable inconvenience has been experienced by persons residing in the District of Port Phillip, desirous of submitting their diplomas or certificates to the said Board, by reason of the distance from Sydney: Be it therefore enacted, by His Excellency the Governor of New South Wales, with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council thereof, That it shall and may be lawful for His Honor the Superintendent of Port Phillip, for the time being, to appoint at Melbourne, in the District of Port Phillip, a Committee, consisting of at least three Members, being of the Medical profession, one of whom shall be nominated President, under the style and description of "The Medical Board for the District of Port Phillip;" and it shall be lawful for the said Superintendent, for the time being, to remove the said Members, or any of them, and upon the removal, death, or resignation of the said Members, to appoint such other person or persons as the said Superintendent, shall think fit; and that any person resident in the District of Port Phillip, desirous of being declared a legally qualified Medical practitioner as aforesaid, shall submit his degree, diploma, or other certificate, or proof of his being so duly qualified, for the examination and approval of the said Medical Board; and shall obtain from the said Medical Board a certificate of his being so qualified.

II. And be it enacted, That the said Medical Board shall, on or before the first day of January next, cause the names of all persons declared by the Board to be legally qualified Medical practitioners, to be registered in a book, to be kept by the said Board for that purpose; and

Preamble.

2Vic., No. 22.

1Vic., No. 3.

Superintendent to appoint a Medical Board, for the district of Port Phillip, & remove all or any of them, whenever he may think fit.

Persons desirous of being declared legally qualified Medical practitioners for the district to submit their diplomas or other certificates for the approval of the board.

Names of all such legally qualified Medical practitioners, to be entered in a book and also pub^d

ished in the
Government
Gazette.

shall also cause all the names, so registered, to be published in the *New South Wales Government Gazette*, on or about the said first day of January next, and the same to be repeated on or about the first day of January, annually, for the information of Coroners, Magistrates, and the Public.

Such persons
to be deemed
to be legally
qualified
throughout
the Colony.

III. And be it enacted, That all persons declared to be legally qualified Medical Practitioners, either by the Medical Board of New South Wales, or by that of the District of Port Phillip, shall be held and taken to be legally qualified Medical Practitioners throughout the whole Territory of New South Wales.

ALEX. MCLEAY,

SPEAKER.

*Passed the Legislative Council, this } In the name, and on the behalf
twenty-third day of August, one thou- } of Her Majesty, I assent to
sand eight hundred and forty-four. } this Act.*

GEORGE GIPPS,

GOVERNOR.

WM. MACPHERSON,

CLERK OF THE COUNCIL.