

## No. XIV.

**An Act to effect the change in the Style and Title of the Corporation of Melbourne, rendered necessary by the erection of the Town of Melbourne into a City. [Assented to, 3rd August, 1849.]**

**W**HEREAS Her Majesty the Queen, by Her Royal Letters Patent, Preamble.  
dated at Westminster the twenty-fifth day of June, in the eleventh year of Her Majesty's Reign, was graciously pleased to ordain the Town of Melbourne within the Colony of New South Wales, to be thenceforth a City, and to be called the City of Melbourne, and it has in consequence become expedient and necessary to make a corresponding change in the name, style, and title, of the Body Corporate and Politic of the said City of Melbourne, constituted under and by virtue of the Act of the Governor and Legislative Council of New South Wales, passed in the sixth year of Her Majesty's Reign, intituled, "*An Act to Incorporate the Inhabitants of the Town of Melbourne.*" Be it therefore enacted by His Excellency the Governor of New South Wales, with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council thereof, That from and after the passing of this Act, the name, style, and title of the said Body Corporate and Politic, shall be the "*Mayor, Aldermen, Councillors, and Citizens of the City of Melbourne;*" and that under such name, style, and title, they shall have all and the like rights, privileges, and immunities as have been heretofore possessed by them under the style and title of the "*Mayor, Aldermen, Councillors, and Burgesses of the Town of Melbourne.*" The name, style, and title of the Corporation of Melbourne altered by this Act.

II. And be it enacted, That whenever in any Act, Law, or Statute, or in any Deed of Grant, or in any Proclamation, or other Public Document, or Notice, or in any proceeding of what kind or nature soever, the Town of Melbourne, or the Burgesses thereof, have been, or are referred to, or mentioned, such reference or mention shall be taken to signify and mean the City of Melbourne, or the Citizens thereof, as the case may be. The words "Town of Melbourne" and "Burgesses" whenever occurring in any Act, &c., to mean "City of Melbourne," and "Citizens" thereof.

*Passed the Legislative Council, this twentieth day of July, one thousand eight hundred and forty-nine.*

WM. MACPHERSON, CLERK OF THE COUNCIL.

CHARLES NICHOLSON,  
Speaker.

*In the name and on the behalf of Her Majesty, I assent to this Act.*

CH<sup>s</sup> A. FITZ ROY,

*Govt. House, Sydney, 3rd August, 1849.*

GOVERNOR.

## No. XV.

**An Act to re-appoint the Honorable Francis Scott to be the Agent for the Colony of New South Wales for one year. [Assented to, 3rd August, 1849.]**

**W**HEREAS it is expedient to re-appoint the Honorable Francis Preamble.  
Scott to be the Agent for the Colony of New South Wales, and that the said Francis Scott shall attend and conform to such instructions as he may from time to time receive from the Committee of Correspondence through the Speaker of the Legislative Council: Be it therefore enacted by His Excellency the Governor of New South Wales, with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council thereof, That the said Francis Scott shall be, and is hereby appointed to be the Agent for the said Colony of New South Wales for the period of one year from the passing of this Act: Provided that no instructions from any Committee of Correspondence appointed in that behalf by the said Council, shall be transmitted to the said Agent after any prorogation or dissolution of the said Council; and that every such Committee shall be appointed in conformity with the Honorable Francis Scott re-appointed Agent for New South Wales for one year.  
Provide that no instructions shall be sent to Agent after any prorogation or dissolution of the said Council.

Standing

Standing Orders duly prepared and adopted by the said Council, and approved by the Governor of the said Colony, under and by virtue of the provisions of an Act of Parliament passed in the fifth and sixth years of the reign of Her present Majesty Queen Victoria, intituled, "*An Act for*  
 5 & 6 Vic. Cap. 76. "*the Government of New South Wales and Van Diemen's Land.*"

*Passed the Legislative Council, this twenty-fourth  
 day of July, one thousand eight hundred and  
 forty-nine.*  
 WM. MACPHERSON, CLERK OF THE COUNCIL.

CHARLES NICHOLSON,  
 Speaker.

*In the name and on the behalf of Her Majesty, I assent to this Act.*

CH<sup>s</sup>. A. FITZ ROY,

*Govt. House, Sydney, 3rd August, 1849.*

GOVERNOR.

## No. XVI.

**An Act to amend the Law of Evidence, and to facilitate the admission as Evidence of certain Official and other Documents; and to give Protection to Persons employed in the Printing and Publication of Papers by the order or authority of the Legislative Council or a Committee thereof. [Assented to, 7th August, 1849.]**

Preamble.

**W**HEREAS it is provided by many Acts of the Legislative Council of the Colony of New South Wales, that various Certificates, and Official and Public Documents, and Documents and Proceedings of Corporations, and of Joint Stock and other Companies, and certified Copies of Documents, and By-Laws and Entries in Registers and other Books, shall be receivable in evidence of certain particulars in Courts of Justice, provided they be respectively authenticated in the manner prescribed by such Acts: And whereas the beneficial effect of these provisions has been found by experience to be greatly diminished by the difficulty of proving that the said Documents are genuine: And whereas it is expedient to make provision for the admission in evidence of certain Judgments, and other proceedings, by the production of Certified Copies thereof; as also to facilitate the admission in evidence of such and the like Documents: Be it therefore enacted by His Excellency the Governor of New South Wales, with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council thereof, That Copies of all Judgments, Decrees, Rules, and Orders, filed or recorded in the Supreme Court of the said Colony at Sydney, or in the Supreme Court of the said Colony for the District of Port Phillip, shall be admitted as evidence of the contents thereof by all Courts, Judges, Justices, and other Legal Tribunals, and in every Judicial Proceeding in the said Colony, without production of the Originals of such Documents respectively, provided the Copies of such Orders and Decrees made in the Equitable Jurisdiction of the said Supreme Court at Sydney, be certified under the hand of the Master in Equity of the said Court; and that such Copies of all Judgments, Decrees, Rules, and Orders, made in the Common Law and Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction of the said Supreme Court at Sydney, be certified under the hand of the Prothonotary or Chief Clerk thereof, and that such Copies of such Orders, Decrees, Judgments, and Rules, made either in the Equitable or in the Common Law, or in the Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction of the said Supreme Court for the District of Port Phillip, be respectively certified under the hand of the Deputy Registrar or other proper officer thereof.

Copies of Judgments, Decrees, Rules and Orders of Supreme Court to be received in Evidence, if duly certified by Master, Prothonotary, Chief Clerk, or Deputy Registrar, respectively.