

No. IX.

An Act to suspend for a limited period so much of an Act of the Governor and Council of New South Wales, "*To declare the Town of Sydney to be a City, and to incorporate the inhabitants thereof*," as relates to the estimating and levying a rate for the police of the said City. (10th December, 1844.)

WHEREAS, by an Act of the Governor of New South Wales, with Preamble. the advice of the Legislative Council thereof, passed in the sixth year of Her Majesty's reign, intituled, "*An Act to declare the Town of Sydney to be a City, and to incorporate the inhabitants thereof*," it is, amongst other things enacted, that in order to raise the amount necessary to provide for the payment of such a number of constables, and such other police establishments within the said city, as may from time to time, in the opinion of the council of the said city, be required, the said council is authorised and required once at least in every year, to estimate, as correctly as may be, what amount will be sufficient for payment of the salaries, allowances, and rewards, to be paid to such constables and special constables, and of all other expenses attending police purposes, within the said city; and in order to raise the amount so estimated the said council is by the said Act authorised and required half yearly, to order a city rate to be made and collected; and for this purpose the said council shall have all and the like powers as are by the said recited Act vested in them, for making and levying a city rate for other purposes; and it is thereby further enacted, that the said rate shall be called the "police rate," and the amount when collected shall be paid to the treasurer of the corporation, who shall keep a separate account thereof, under the name of "police fund," and from time to time pay out of the said police fund for the support of the police, or for police purposes, such sums as he may be required or directed to pay, by warrant under the hand of the mayor of the said city, countersigned by the town clerk; and whereas it is expedient to retain for the present the management of the said police force in the hands of the Executive Government, and to appropriate the amount necessary for the support thereof from the revenue of the said Colony, receivable from taxes, rates duties, and imposts, raised within the same: Be it therefore enacted by His Excellency the Governor of New South Wales, with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council thereof, that so much of the said hereinbefore in part recited Act as relates to the estimating by the council of the said city of the amount necessary to provide for the payment of constables and other police establishments within the said city, and to the powers thereby vested in the council of the said city, for making and levying the said police rate, shall be suspended and inoperative for one whole year from and after the first day of January, in the year of Our Lord one thousand eight hundred and forty-five: Provided always, that nothing herein contained shall affect, or be construed to affect, any matter or thing heretofore done, or commenced to be done, in pursuance of the provisions of the said recited Act.

II. And be it enacted, That this Act shall commence and take effect from and after the first day of January, now next ensuing, and shall thenceforth continue in force for one whole year.

ALEX. McLEAY,

SPEAKER.

Passed the Legislative Council, this }
tenth day of December, One thou- }
sand eight hundred and forty-four. }

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

GEORGE GIPPS,

GOVERNOR.

WM. MACPHERSON,
CLERK OF THE COUNCIL.