No. X.

An Act to amend an Act, intituled, " An Act to consolidate " and amend the Laws for the distillation of Spirits in the " Colony of New South Wales, and for the issue of Licenses "for Distilling, Rectifying, and Compounding Spirits therein "and for repealing certain Laws relating thereto." December, 1844.]

Preamble.

WHEREAS it has been ascertained that a certain chemical material known as Naptha, commonly called Spirit of Coal Tar, is of advantage in the increase and improvement of light produced from Coal Gas; and whereas such Naptha, or Spirit of Coal Tar, cannot be produced without using a Still, and other apparatus used and employed in the process of Distillation; and whereas the issue of a License for such purpose would be contrary to the provisions of an Act, intituled "An Act to "consolidate and amend the Laws for the Distillation of Spirits in "the Colony of New South Wales, and for the issue of Licenses for "Distilling, Rectifying, and Compounding Spirits therein, and for the same and the Compounding Spirits therein, and for the Compounding Spirits therein, and "Distillation of Spirits" and " "repealing certain Laws relating thereto," and it is expedient to amend the said Act in that respect: 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 the Colonial Treasurer, or other person appointed for that purpose by the Governor of the said Colony, to issue a License, free of all charge to keep and use a Still of not more than ten gallons content to a certain Company, known as "The Australian Gas Light Company," or to any other Company or Individual, manufacturing Coal Gas for public use, in lighting any City or Town within the Colony aforesaid, upon being applied to for that purpose by the said Gas Light Company, or by any other Company, or person or persons manufacturing Gas for the purpose aforesaid, and to be used only on the premises where the manufacture of Coal Gas is carried on: Provided that every such Company, or person wishing to keep such Still, shall notify their or his intention so to do to the Colonial Treasurer, or other person appointed as aforesaid, who shall thereupon require such company or person to give bond, with two sufficient sureties in the sum of two hundred pounds, that any such Company or person will not make use of such Still, or suffer it to be made use of, except for the preparation of Naptha, or Spirit of Coal Tar, or other articles required bona fide for the purpose aforesaid; and every such Company or person found to have in their or his possession any Still, without having entered into such bond, and obtained such License, shall forfeit and pay not less than one hundred pounds, nor more than five

II. And be it enacted, That it shall be lawful for the Colonial Treasurer, or other person appointed as aforesaid, in his discretion, as he shall see fit, to issue a license, free of all charges, to any person applying for the same, to keep and use on his premises, a still of not more than eight gallons content, for any scientific purpose, to be particularly specified in such application: Provided that every person wishing to keep such still, shall notify his intention so to do to the Colonial Treasurer, or other person appointed as aforesaid, who shall thereupon require such person to enter into bond, with two sufficient sureties, that he will not make use of such still, or suffer it to be made use of, except for such scientific purpose, as shall have been particularly specified in such application; and every person found to have in his possession any such still, without having entered into such bond, and obtained a license, shall forfeit and pay not less than one hundred pounds, nor more than five

III. And be it enacted, That all fines, penalties, and forfeitures under this Act, shall be recovered and applied in like manner as is directed by the said recited Act.

> ALEX. McLEAY, SPEAKER.

Passed the Legislative Council this the name, and on the behalf of thirtieth day of December, one Her Majesty I assent to this thousand eight hundred and forty-

Her Majesty, I assent to this $oldsymbol{A}$ ct.

GEORGE GIPPS,

GOVERNOR.

WM. MACPHERSON, CLERK OF THE COUNCIL:

An Act to suspend for a limited period so much of an Act of the Governor and Council of New South Wales, " To incorporate the inhabitants of the Town of Melbourne" as relates to the estimating and levying a rate for the police of . the said town.

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 incorporate the in-6 Vic, No. 7. habitants of the Town of Melbourne" 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 town, as may from time to time, in the opinion of the council of the said town, be required, the said council is authorised and required once at least in every year, to estimate as correct 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 town; 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 town 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 town rate for other purposes; and it is thereby further enacted, that the said rate shall be called a "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 Suspension of or directed to pay, by waraant under the hand of the Mayor of the said \$\frac{s.70}{No.7.}\$ for one Town, countersigned by the Town Clerk; and whereas it is expedient year. 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 Colony, receiviable 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 recited Act as relates to the estimating by the council of the said Town of the amount necessary to provide for the payment of constables and other police establishments within the said Town, and to the powers thereby vested in the council of the said Town, 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