A BILL

To amend the Crimes Act, 1900, the Justices Act, 1902, and certain other Acts in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith.

[Mr. Sheahan; -23 November, 1954.]

BE it enacted by the Queen's Most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and Legislative Assembly of New South Wales in Parliament assembled, and by the authority of 5 the same, as follows:—

1. This Act may be cited as the "Crimes (Further Short Amendment) Act, 1954."

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2. The Crimes Act, 1900, as amended by subsequent Acts, is amended—	Amendment of Act No. 40, 1900.
(a) by inserting in subsections one and two of section 52a after the words "motor vehicle" the words "or through the impact of a motor vehicle with any vehicle or other object in, on or near which the person was at the time of impact and in either case the motor vehicle was at the time of impact";	Sec. 52A.
(b) by inserting in subsection four of the same section after the word "offence" where thirdly occurring the words "under this Act";	
(c) by inserting at the end of the same section the following new subsection:—	
(7) Without limiting the generality of the meaning of the expression "object", that expression, in subsections one and two of this section, includes animal, building and structure.	
3. The Crimes Act, 1900, as amended by subsequent Acts, is further amended—	Further amendment of Act No. 40, 1900.
(a) by inserting next after section eighty-one the following new sections:—	New secs. 81A, 81B.
81A. Whosoever, being a male person, in public or private, commits, or is a party to the commission of, or procures or attempts to procure the commission by any male person of, any act of indecency with another male person shall be liable to imprisonment for two years.	on decency. cf. 48 & 49 Vic. c. 69,
81s. (1) Whosoever, being a male person, in any public place— (a) solicits or incites; or (b) attempts to solicit or incite.	Soliciting, &c., male person in a public place.
in any manner whatsoever any male person to commit or to be a party to the commission of any offence under section seventy-nine, eighty-one or 81A of this Act shall be liable to imprisonment for twelve months. (2)	
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- (2) A person shall not be convicted of an offence under this section upon the testimony of one witness only, unless such testimony is corroborated by some other material evidence implicating the accused in the commission of the offence.
- (3) This section does not exempt any person from any proceeding for an offence which is punishable at common law, but so that no person shall be punished twice for the same offence.
- (4) An offence under this section shall not be prosecuted and punished under the Crimes Prevention Act, 1916.
- (b) by inserting next after section three hundred New secs. 15 and seventy-nine the following new sections: 379A, 379B.

379A. In an indictment for an offence under Addition section seventy-nine, eighty or eighty-one of this of count for an Act, a count may be added for an offence under offence section 81A of this Act.

379B. In an indictment for an unnatural crime, Addition or an attempt to commit the same, counts may of counts under both be added under both section three hundred and s. 379 and seventy-nine and section 379A of this Act.

25 (c) by omitting from subsection one of section four sec. 418. and by inserting in lieu thereof the words, for certain offences, evidence not hundred and eighteen the words "or eighty-one" (On hearing

on oath may be received in case of children of tender years, but such evidence

(d) by inserting in paragraph (f) of section four Sec. 477. hundred and seventy-seven after the word "sec- (List of tions" where secondly occurring the figures and offences within this letters "81A, 81B,"; jurisdiction.)

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(e) by omitting section four hundred and seventy- Subst. sec. eight and by inserting in lieu thereof the 478. following section:

478. Where under the provisions of this Punishment Chapter any person pleads guilty to or is con-cases. victed of an offence mentioned in section four 55 Vic. hundred and seventy-seven of this Act, he shall— No. 5, s. 20.

(a) where the offence is an offence under section 81B of this Act, be liable to imprisonment for six months;

(b) in any other case, be liable to imprisonment for twelve months, or to a fine of fifty pounds, or if he is in the opinion of the Justice, or Justices, under sixteen years of age, to imprisonment for three months, or to a fine of ten pounds.

4. The Crimes Act, 1900, as amended by subsequent Further Acts, is further amended—

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- (a) (i) by omitting from subsection two of section Sec. 360A. 20 360A the words "empowering the prose-(Indictment cutor appointed under section five hundred of corporaand seventy-two of this Act to prefer a bill for the offence named in the order or for such other offence as such prosecutor shall deem proper" and by inserting in lieu 25 thereof the words "authorising a bill to be preferred for the offence named in the order or for such other offence as the Attorney-General or any other person authorised by 30 law to prosecute indictable offences shall deem proper";
 - (ii) by inserting at the end of the same section the following new subsection:
 - (7) For the avoidance of doubt it is hereby declared that for the purposes of this section "indictable offence" means an offence punishable on indictment at common law or under any Act or Imperial Act.

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(b) by inserting in paragraph (a) of subsection one Sec. 409. of section four hundred and nine after the word (Depositions "evidence" the words ", or is absent from the as evidence Commonwealth of Australia";

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5 (c) by inserting next after section four hundred New sec. and forty the following short heading and new section:-

Power to fine in certain cases.

440a. Where a person is convicted on indict-Power to ment of an offence mentioned in section four certain hundred and seventy-seven of this Act and the cases. subject matter of the count contained in the indictment on which he was so convicted, or the value of the property involved, does not amount to two hundred and fifty pounds the Court may, in lieu of imposing any other punishment that may apart from this section be lawfully imposed in respect of the offence, impose a penalty not exceeding fifty pounds.

20 (d) by inserting next after section four hundred and New sec. forty-one the following short heading and new 441A. section :-

Commencement of sentence.

441A. For the avoidance of doubt it is hereby Time from declared that every sentence passed shall take which effect from the time when it is passed, unless shall take the Court otherwise directs.

cf. 21 & 22 Vic. c. 73, s. 12.

(e) by inserting next after section 447A the follow- New sec. ing short heading and new section:-

Taking outstanding charges into account.

447B. (1) Where the Court before which a Outstanding person is convicted on indictment of an offence charges may not punishable with penal servitude for life is into account satisfied that—

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(a) there has been filed in court a document in or to the effect of the form contained in the Ninth Schedule to this Act, signed

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by a member of the police force and by the person so convicted, showing on the back thereof a list of other indictable offences not punishable with penal servitude for life with which he has been charged (whether or not he has been committed for trial in respect of those other offences);

- (b) a copy of that document has been furnished to the person so convicted; and
- (c) in all the circumstances of the case it is proper so to do,

the Court may, with the consent of counsel for the Crown and before passing sentence on the person for the offence of which he has been convicted, ask that person whether he admits his guilt in respect of all or any of the offences specified in the list and wishes them to be taken into account in passing sentence upon him.

If the person so convicted admits his guilt in respect of all or any of the offences specified in the list and wishes them to be taken into account by the Court in passing sentence for the offence of which he has been convicted, the Court may, if it thinks fit, take all or any of the offences in respect of which he has so admitted guilt into account accordingly:

Provided that the sentence passed in any such case upon the person so convicted shall not exceed the maximum sentence that may be passed in respect of the offence of which he has been convicted.

(2) The Court shall certify upon the document filed in court the offences specified in the list on the back thereof that have, in respect of the conviction of the person concerned, been taken into account in passing sentence upon that conviction.

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conviction, and thereafter proceedings or further proceedings upon those offences shall not be taken against that person:

Provided that such proceedings or further proceedings may be taken where that conviction is quashed or set aside.

- (3) An admission of guilt under and for the purposes of this section in respect of an offence shall not be admissible in evidence—
 - (a) in any proceedings or further proceedings taken under the proviso to subsection two of this section; or
 - (b) in any proceedings or further proceedings in respect of the offence if the offence was not taken into account under this section in passing sentence.
- (4) An offence taken into account under and in accordance with this section in passing sentence upon any person for another offence of which he has been convicted shall not, by reason of its being so taken into account, be regarded for any purpose as an offence of which that person has been convicted.
- (5) Where the Court before which a person was convicted of an indictable offence in passing sentence for that offence took into account under and in accordance with this section any other offence or offences, then whenever in or in relation to any criminal proceeding—
 - (a) reference may lawfully be made to the fact that that person was convicted of the indictable offence reference may also be made to the fact that that other offence or those other offences was or were so taken into account;

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(b) evidence may lawfully be given of the fact that that person was convicted of the indictable offence, evidence may also be given of the fact that that other offence or those other offences was or were so taken into account.

The fact that that other offence or those other offences was or were so taken into account may be proved in the same manner as the conviction for the indictable offence may be proved.

Nothing in this subsection affects the operation of subsection four of this section.

- (f) (i) by inserting at the end of paragraph (d) of Sec. 477.

 section four hundred and seventy-seven the (List of offences words "except where such escape constitution within this tutes an offence against prison discipline jurisdiction.)

 within the meaning of Part IV of the Prisons Act, 1952";
- by paragraph (d) of section three of this Act, of the same section after the figures and letter "818," the words "one hundred and thirteen, one hundred and fourteen,":
- 25 (iii) by inserting in the same paragraph after the words "one hundred and sixty-nine," the figures and letters "178A, 178B,";
 - (iv) by inserting in the same paragraph after the words "one hundred and eighty-nine," the figures and letter "189A,";
- 30 (g) by inserting next after section four hundred and New sec. seventy-nine the following new section:— 479A.

479A. Notwithstanding anything contained in Certain this Chapter, a charge against any person for offences any offence under section one hundred and dealt with thirteen or one hundred and fourteen of this summarily.

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Act or for an attempt to commit any such offence shall not be disposed of summarily under this Chapter if it appears to the Justice or Justices hearing the charge that—

- (a) the acts alleged against the person charged in respect of the offence were such as to give any person reasonable cause to apprehend violence from the person charged; or
- (b) where the charge is for breaking and entering or attempting to break and enter any premises mentioned in section one hundred and thirteen of this Act with intent to commit felony therein or is for being found at night under the following circumstances, that is to say, entering or being in any building with intent to commit a felony or misdemeanour therein, any person was lawfully in or upon those premises or that building at the time when the person charged is alleged to have committed the offence.
- (h) by omitting from section four hundred and sec. 499.

 ninety-nine the words "shall be released from (Certificate all proceedings, civil or criminal, for the same or conviction a bar to cause" and by inserting in lieu thereof the other proceedings.)

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- (a) from all criminal proceedings for the same cause; and
- (b) from all civil proceedings for the same cause at the suit of the person laying the information in respect of the proceedings for assault.
- (2) Any person against whom civil proceedings have been taken in respect of any act done by him which is an offence of which he might have

have been convicted under sections four hundred and ninety-three to four hundred and ninety-six both inclusive shall be released from all criminal proceedings for the same cause on the information of the person by whom the civil proceedings were taken."

- (i) (i) by inserting in paragraph (c) of subsection Sec. 501. one of section five hundred and one after the (List of words "one hundred and fifty-two" the punishable words ", one hundred and seventy-nine, two summarily without hundred and forty-seven";
 - (ii) by omitting from the same subsection the words "ten pounds" and by inserting in lieu thereof the words "fifty pounds";
- 15 (j) by omitting from section five hundred and fifty- Sec. 556. six the words "or is discharged from his con- (Summary viction by the Justices under section five hundred a bar to and fifty-two of this Act, he shall not be liable further to any other proceeding for the same cause" and ings.) by inserting in lieu thereof the words and new 20 subsection:

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"he shall not be liable-

- (a) to any other criminal proceedings for the same cause:
- (b) to any civil proceedings for the same cause at the suit of the person laying the information upon which he was summarily convicted under this Act.
- (2) Any person against whom civil proceedings have been taken in respect of any act or thing done or omitted to be done by him which is an offence of which he might have been convicted summarily without consent under this Act shall be released from all criminal proceedings for the same cause on the information of the person by whom the civil proceedings were taken."

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	following new Schedule:—	Schedule.
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10	TOPolice Station.) indicted on a charge offor trial at the sittings of the Supreme Court at	
	(or, as the case may be at	
15	Memorandum for Accused's Information. (1) The list on the back hereof gives particulars of other alleged offences with which you are charged.	Turiday 1
20	(2) If you are convicted of the charge of first mentioned above, you may before sentence is passed, if the presiding Judge so decides and counsel for the Crown consents, admit all or any of the other offences set out on the back hereof and ask that any of those offences that you have admitted be taken into account by the presiding Judge in passing sentence upon you.	
25	(3) If you are convicted and the presiding Judge does take any of the other offences that you have admitted into account, the maximum sentence that may be imposed upon you will nevertheless be the maximum sentence for the offence of	in .
30	(4) No further proceedings may be taken against you in respect of the other offences taken into account unless your conviction for the offence of first mentioned above is set aside or quashed.	
35	(5) If proceedings are taken in the circumstances mentioned in (4) or if the presiding Judge does not for any reason take any one or more of the other offences that you have admitted into account, your admission cannot be used as evidence against you in any proceedings taken in the circumstances mentioned or taken in respect of the offences not taken into account.	
10	Signature of member of the police force Date Signature of accused acknowledging receipt of copy	1
	of this document	
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Certificate.

In sentencing..... for the offence of........................ this day, I have taken into account the following offences alleged against and admitted by him, that is to say, the offences numbered

5in the list on the back hereof.

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A Judge of the Supreme Court or a Chairman of Quarter Sessions.

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- (1) (i) by omitting from the matter relating to sec. 1.

 Part III in section one the figures "81" and (Consequently inserting in lieu thereof the figures and tial.)

 letter "81B";
- (ii) by inserting in the matter relating to Part XII in the same section after the figures "440" the following:—
 - (8A) Power to fine in certain cases.—s. 440A.
 - (iii) by inserting in the same matter after the figures "441" the following:—
 - (9A) Commencement of sentence.—s. 441A.

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- (iv) by inserting at the end of the same matter the following:—
 - (12) Taking outstanding charges into account.—s. 447B.
- 5. The Crimes Act, 1900, as amended by subsequent Further amended—

 Acts, is further amended—

 of Act No. 40
 1900.
 - (a) (i) by omitting from section nine the words "of sec. 9. (What death, or";
- (ii) by omitting from the same section the felonies.)

 words "as aforesaid" and by inserting in lieu thereof the words "by death or penal servitude";
 - (b) by omitting from section nineteen the words "to sec. 19. suffer death" and by inserting in lieu thereof (Murder—the words "to penal servitude for life.

The provisions of section four hundred and forty-two of this Act shall not be in force with respect to the sentence to be passed under this section.";

20 (c) by omitting from section twenty-seven the Sec. 27.
words "to suffer death" and by inserting in lieu to the thereof the words "to penal servitude for life"; intent to murder)

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- (d) by omitting from section twenty-eight the words Sec. 28.

 "to suffer death" and by inserting in lieu there-to property of the words "to penal servitude for life"; with like intent.)
- (e) by omitting from section sixty-three the words Sec. 63.

 "to suffer death" and by inserting in lieu thereof the words "to penal servitude for life";
- (f) by omitting from section sixty-seven the words sec. 67.

 "to suffer death" and by inserting in lieu thereof the words "to penal servitude for life"; (Carnally knowing the words "to penal servitude for life";
 - (g) by omitting from section one hundred and ten Sec.110.

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- (h) by omitting from section one hundred and sec. 196. ninety-six the words "to suffer death" and by (Setting fire to dwelling, inserting in lieu thereof the words "to penal etc. knowing person servitude for life";
- 5 (i) by omitting from section two hundred and sec. 235. thirty-five the words "to suffer death" and by (Setting fire to vessel, inserting in lieu thereof the words "to penal any person being servitude for life";
- (j) by omitting from section two hundred and forty Sec. 240. 10 the words "to suffer death" and by inserting (Exhibiting in lieu thereof the words "to penal servitude signals, &c.) for life";
 - (k) by omitting section four hundred and thirty;

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- (1) by omitting from section four hundred and Sec. 431. 15 thirty-one the words ", or some offence by this (Only Act or hereafter made so punishable" and by felonies inserting in lieu thereof the words "and for capital.) which no other punishment is provided by this Act."
- 6. The Crimes Act, 1900, as amended by subsequent Further. Acts, is further amended-40, 1900.
 - (a) (i) by omitting from section 154x the words Sec. 154x. "shall be liable to imprisonment for three Unlawfully using years" and by inserting in lieu thereof the another's words "shall be deemed to be guilty of boat.) larceny, and may be convicted thereof upon an indictment for simple larceny";
 - (ii) by omitting from the same section the words and figures "and in section 1548";
- (b) by omitting section 154B; 30...

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Sec. 1548. (Trial for larcenyalternative verdict.)

(c) by inserting in subsection one of section 526A Sec. 526A. after the word "shall" the words "be guilty of (Unlawfully statutory larceny and shall".

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(d) by inserting next after section five hundred and New sec. seventy-seven the following new section:-

578. (1) Any Judge or Chairman of Quarter Publication Sessions presiding at the trial of any person for of evidence may be an offence under sections sixty-three, sixty-five, forbidden in sixty-six, sixty-seven, sixty-eight, seventy-one, certain case. seventy-two, 72A, seventy-three, seventy-four, cf. Act No. seventy-six, 78A, 78B, seventy-nine, eighty, 14, 1899, s. 81. eighty-one, 81A, 81B, eighty-six, eighty-seven, eighty-nine, ninety, 91A, 91B, 91c or 91D of this Act may at any stage of the trial and from time to time make an order forbidding publication of the evidence therein or any report or account of that evidence either as to the whole or portions thereof:

Provided that if the accused or counsel for the Crown indicates to the Judge or Chairman that it is desired that any particular matter given in evidence should be available for publication, no such order shall be made in respect of that matter.

(2) Any person who commits a breach of an order made under subsection one of this section shall, on conviction before two Justices. be liable to a penalty of one thousand pounds.

7. (1) The Justices Act, 1902, as amended by Amendment subsequent Acts, is amended— 27, 1902.

(a) by inserting next after section fifty-one the New sec. following short heading and new section:-51A.

PLEA OF GUILTY IN COMMITTAL PROCEEDINGS. 51A. (1) A person charged before one, or more Effect of

than one, Justice with an indictable offence not plea of punishable with penal servitude for life may, guilty in committal at any stage of the proceedings, plead guilty to proceedings. the charge and thereupon the following provisions of this section have effect:-

(a) The Justice or Justices may accept or reject the plea.

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The rejection of a plea of guilty at any stage of the proceedings does not prevent the accused from pleading guilty under this section at a later stage of the proceedings and the Justice or Justices have power to accept or reject the plea at that later stage:

- (b) Where the Justice or Justices reject the plea the proceedings before the Justice or Justices shall be continued as if the plea had not been made;
- (c) Where the Justice or Justices accept the plea, the Justice or Justices shall thereupon commit the accused to such sittings of the Supreme Court or such Court of Quarter Sessions as the Justice or Justices may direct to be dealt with as hereinafter in this section provided;
- (d) The Judge of the Supreme Court or the Chairman of Quarter Sessions, as the case may be, before whom the accused is brought in accordance with this section—
 - (i) shall, if it appears to him from the information or evidence given to or before him that the facts in respect of which the accused was charged before the Justice or Justices do not support the charge to which the accused pleaded guilty or if the accused or counsel for the Crown requests that an order be made under this subparagraph, and may, if for any other reason the Judge or Chairman, as the case may be, sees fit so to do, order that the proceedings before the Justice or Justices at which the accused pleaded guilty be continued at a time and place to be specified in the order;

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- (ii) unless an order is made under subparagraph (i) of this paragraph, has the same powers of sentencing or otherwise dealing with the accused, and of finally disposing of the charge and of all incidental matters, as he would have had if the accused on arraignment at any sittings of the Court had pleaded guilty to the offence charged on an indictment filed by the Attorney-General.
- (2) All proceedings relating to a committal for trial apply, as nearly as may be, to a committal under paragraph (c) of subsection one of this section, and bail may be similarly granted; but no person shall be bound over to give evidence on any committal under that paragraph unless the committing Justice or Justices otherwise order.
 - (3) Where an order is made by a Judge or Chairman under subparagraph (i) of paragraph (d) of subsection one of this section that proceedings before a Justice or Justices at which an accused pleaded guilty be continued at a time and place specified in the order, those proceedings shall be continued in all respects as if the accused had not pleaded guilty and as if those proceedings had been adjourned by the Justice or Justices to the time and place so specified.

Upon the making of any such order the Judge or Chairman may exercise any power that the Justice or Justices might have exercised under section thirty-four of this Act if order made the order had been an by adjourning Justices Justice or the time and place proceedings to specified;

specified; and the provisions of the said section thirty-four apply to and in respect of the accused.

(4) Where a person has, in respect of any charge to which he has pleaded guilty under subsection one of this section, been committed under paragraph (c) of that subsection, the Attorney-General may in his discretion direct in writing that no further proceedings under this section be taken against the person so committed in respect of that charge.

Upon the giving of such direction—

- (a) no further proceedings shall be taken under this section against the person so committed in respect of that charge; and
- (b) the provisions of section three hundred and fifty-eight of the Crimes Act, 1900, as amended by subsequent Acts, apply to and in respect of the person concerned as if he were under committal for trial and the Attorney-General had declined to file any information against him.
- (5) A committal under paragraph (c) of subsection one of this section shall, for all purposes relating to the venue or change of venue of proceedings consequent on that committal, be deemed to be a committal for trial.
 - (6) This section does not apply where—
 - (a) the indictable offence with which the person is charged is an offencementioned in section four hundred and seventy-seven of the Crimes Act, 1900, as amended by subsequent Acts, and that person pleads guilty after all conditions prescribed by Chapter I of Part XIV of that Act which are necessary to

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be complied with in order to give jurisdiction to the Justice or Justices to hear and determine the charge in a summary manner have been complied with: or

(b) the indictable offence with which the person is charged may be dealt with summarily without the consent of the accused and is being so dealt with.

(b) by inserting next after section one hundred and New sec. fifty-three the following new section:

153A. (1) When a person is apprehended Person under a bench warrant issued by a Judge or apprehended under bench a Chairman of Quarter Sessions in any warrant criminal proceeding and a sittings of the Court to be committed out of which the bench warrant issued is not to prison or then being held, any Justice may—

(a) by warrant commit that person to prison. there to be safely kept until the next sittings of the Court out of which the bench warrant issued or until he is delivered in due course of law or is admitted to bail as hereinafter in this section provided; or

(b) if that person procures and produces a surety or sureties sufficient, in the opinion of the Justice, to ensure his appearance at the commencement of the next sittings of the Court out of which the bench warrant issued, admit him to bail.

If that person cannot then and there procure and produce such surety or sureties, the Justice may certify on the warrant of commitment his consent that that person be admitted to bail, stating the amount of bail that ought to be required.

(2) (a) The constable or other person to whom a warrant of commitment is directed by a Justice under paragraph (a) of subsection

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one of this section shall convey the person committed therein named or described to the prison therein mentioned, and there deliver him and the warrant to the gaoler, keeper or governor of such prison, who shall thereupon give the constable or other person delivering such person into his custody a receipt for such person, setting forth the state and condition in which such person was when delivered into the custody of such gaoler, keeper or governor.

- (b) If it appears to the Justice by whom a warrant of commitment is granted as aforesaid that the person committed has money sufficient to pay the expenses or some part thereof of conveying him to such prison, the Justice may order the whole or a sufficient part of such money to be applied to that purpose.
- (3) (a) When a Justice admits a person to bail as aforesaid he shall take the recognizance of such person and of the surety or sureties, conditioned that such person shall appear at the commencement of the next sittings of the Court out of which the bench warrant under which such person was apprehended was issued, and shall then surrender and not depart the Court without leave.
 - (b) Every recognizance shall be duly acknowledged by the person who enters into it, and shall be subscribed by the Justice.
 - (c) A notice of every recognizance signed by the Justice shall at the same time be given by him to each person bound thereby.
 - (4) When a Justice has by warrant committed a person to prison under subsection one of this section and has given such a certificate as is mentioned in that subsection, any Justice being at the prison where such person is

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in custody, may on production of such certificate admit such person to bail in the manner hereinbefore in this section provided.

- (5) Where any person apprehended under any bench warrant is committed to prison or admitted to bail by a Justice under the provisions of this section, the Justice shall forthwith transmit a certified copy of the warrant of commitment or, as the case may be, the recognizance or recognizances of bail to the Attorney-General.
 - (c) by omitting from the matter relating to Part Sec. 1.

 IV in section one the figures "51" and by (Consequeninserting in lieu thereof the figures and letter tial.)

 "51a".
- 15 (2) The Justices Act, 1902, as amended by subsequent Acts and by this Act, may be cited as the Justices Acts, 1902-1954.

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CRIMES (FURTHER AMENDMENT) BILL, 1954.

EXPLANATORY NOTE.

THE objects of this Bill are-

- (a) to extend the circumstances in which the offence of culpable driving may be committed (clause 2);
- (b) to create certain new offences dealing with acts of indecency between males and with soliciting as between males.

These offences may be dealt with summarily but only with the consent of the accused (clause 3);

- (c) to make it clear that under section 360A of the Crimes Act, 1900, any person authorised by law to prosecute indictable offences may prefer a bill against a corporation; and to remove doubts about the meaning of the expression "indictable offence" in that section (clause 4 (a));
- (d) to allow the deposition of a witness who is absent from the Commonwealth to be read at the trial of an accused (clause 4 (b));
- (e) to allow fines to be imposed in certain cases by chairmen of quarter sessions (clause 4 (c));
- (f) to remove doubts about the date of commencement of a sentence passed on a convicted person (clause 4 (d));
- (g) to authorise outstanding charges against a person to be taken into account when he is being sentenced for an offence of which he has been convicted (clause 4 (e));
- (h) to add certain offences to the list of indictable offences that may be dealt with summarily with the consent of the accused (clause 4 (f) (g));
- (i) to alter the effect of a certificate of dismissal or a conviction in summary proceedings for certain offences involving assault; and in certain cases to prevent such proceedings from being taken where civil proceedings have already been taken for the same cause (clause 4 (h));
- (j) to add certain offences to the list of indictable offences that may be dealt with summarily without the consent of the accused; and to raise the jurisdictional limit in such cases from £10 to £50 (clause 4 (i));
- (k) to alter the effect of a summary conviction under the Crimes Act, 1900, and in certain cases to make the taking of civil proceedings a bar to the taking of criminal proceedings for the same cause (clause 4 (j));
- (1) to abolish death as the penalty for murder, rape and certain other offences and to provide that penal servitude for life is to be the penalty for murder and the maximum penalty for rape and the other offences concerned (clause 5);
- (m) to deem a person who commits the offence of unlawfully using another's vehicle or boat to be guilty of larceny (clause 6);
- (n) to authorise a judge presiding at a trial in respect of any specified sex offence to make orders forbidding publication of the evidence in whole or part (clause 6);
- (o) to allow an accused to plead guilty in committal proceedings and to define the consequences of such a plea (clause 7 (1) (a));
- (p) to prescribe the powers of a justice in relation to a person who is apprehended under a bench warrant at a time when the court out of which the bench warrant issued is not in session (clause 7 (1) (b));
- (q) to make certain other provisions ancillary to the abovementioned objects.

No. , 1954.

A BILL

To amend the Crimes Act, 1900, the Justices Act, 1902, and certain other Acts in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith.

[Mr. Sheahan;—23 November, 1954.]

BE it enacted by the Queen's Most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and Legislative Assembly of New South Wales in Parliament assembled, and by the authority of 5 the same, as follows:—

1. This Act may be cited as the "Crimes (Further short title. Amendment) Act, 1954."

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2. The Crimes Act, 1900, as amended by subsequent Amendment Acts, is amended—

- (a) by inserting in subsections one and two of sec- Sec. 52A. tion 52A after the words "motor vehicle" the (Culpable words "or through the impact of a motor vehicle driving.) with any vehicle or other object in, on or near which the person was at the time of impact and in either case the motor vehicle was at the time of impact";
- (b) by inserting in subsection four of the same sec-10 tion after the word "offence" where thirdly occurring the words "under this Act";
 - (c) by inserting at the end of the same section the following new subsection:-
- (7) Without limiting the generality of the 15 meaning of the expression "object", that expression, in subsections one and two of this section, includes animal, building and structure.
- 3. The Crimes Act, 1900, as amended by subsequent Further 20 Acts, is further amended amendment 40, 1900.
 - (a) by inserting next after section eighty-one the New secs. following new sections:

81a. Whosoever, being a male person, in pub- Outrages lic or private, commits, or is a party to the on decency. commission of, or procures or attempts to cf. 48 & 49 Vic. c. 69, procure the commission by any male person of, s. 11. any act of indecency with another male person shall be liable to imprisonment for two years.

81B. (1) Whosoever, being a male person, in soliciting, any public place-

(a) solicits or incites; or

(b) attempts to solicit or incite, in any manner whatsoever any male person to commit or to be a party to the commission of any offence under section seventy-nine, eightyone or 81A of this Act shall be liable to imprisonment for twelve months.

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- (2) A person shall not be convicted of an offence under this section upon the testimony of one witness only, unless such testimony is corroborated by some other material evidence implicating the accused in the commission of the offence.
- (3) This section does not exempt any person from any proceeding for an offence which is punishable at common law, but so that no person shall be punished twice for the same offence.
 - (4) An offence under this section shall not be prosecuted and punished under the Crimes Prevention Act, 1916.
- (b) by inserting next after section three hundred New secs. and seventy-nine the following new sections:— 379A, 379B.

379A. In an indictment for an offence under Addition section seventy-nine, eighty or eighty-one of this of count for an Act, a count may be added for an offence under offence section 81A of this Act.

379B. In an indictment for an unnatural crime, Addition or an attempt to commit the same, counts may under both be added under both section three hundred and s. 379 and seventy-nine and section 379A of this Act.

(c) by omitting from subsection one of section four sec. 418.

hundred and eighteen the words "or eighty-one" (On hearing of a charge and by inserting in lieu thereof the words, for certain offences, evidence not on oath may be

(d) by inserting in paragraph (f) of section four Sec. 477.

hundred and seventy-seven after the word "sec- (List of offences within this letters "81A, 81B,";

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478. Where under the provisions of this Punishment Chapter any person pleads guilty to or is concases. victed of an offence mentioned in section four 55 Vic. hundred and seventy-seven of this Act, he shall—No. 5, s. 20.

(a) where the offence is an offence under section 81B of this Act, be liable to imprisonment for six months;

(b) in any other case, be liable to imprisonment for twelve months, or to a fine of fifty pounds, or if he is in the opinion of the Justice, or Justices, under sixteen years of age, to imprisonment for three months, or to a fine of ten pounds.

4. The Crimes Act, 1900, as amended by subsequent Further Acts, is further amended—

Further amendment of Act No. 40, 1900.

- (a) (i) by omitting from subsection two of section Sec. 360A. 360A the words "empowering the prose- (Indictment 20 cutor appointed under section five hundred of corporaand seventy-two of this Act to prefer a bill for the offence named in the order or for such other offence as such prosecutor shall deem proper" and by inserting in lieu 25 thereof the words "authorising a bill to be preferred for the offence named in the order or for such other offence as the Attorney-General or any other person authorised by 30 law to prosecute indictable offences shall deem proper";
 - (ii) by inserting at the end of the same section the following new subsection:—
 - (7) For the avoidance of doubt it is hereby declared that for the purposes of this section "indictable offence" means an offence punishable on indictment at common law or under any Act or Imperial Act.

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(b) by inserting in paragraph (a) of subsection one Sec. 409. of section four hundred and nine after the word (Depositions "evidence" the words ", or is absent from the as evidence Commonwealth of Australia'; prosecution.)

(c) by inserting next after section four hundred New sec. and forty the following short heading and new 440A. section :-

Power to fine in certain cases.

440a. Where a person is convicted on indict- Power to ment of an offence mentioned in section four certain 10 hundred and seventy-seven of this Act and the cases. subject matter of the count contained in the indictment on which he was so convicted, or the value of the property involved, does not amount to two hundred and fifty pounds 15 the Court may, in lieu of imposing any other punishment that may apart from this section be lawfully imposed in respect of the offence, impose a renalty not exceeding fifty pounds.

(d) by inserting next after section four hundred and New sec. 20 forty-one the following short heading and new 441A. section:-

Commencement of sentence.

441A. For the avoidance of doubt it is hereby Time from declared that every sentence passed shall take which effect from the time when it is passed, unless shall take effect. the Court otherwise directs.

cf. 21 & 22 Vic. c. 73, s. 12.

(e) by inserting next after section 447A the follow- New sec. ing short heading and new section:-

Taking outstanding charges into account.

447B. (1) Where the Court before which a Outstanding person is convicted on indictment of an offence charges may not punishable with penal servitude for life is into account satisfied that-

in passing sentence.

(a) there has been filed in court a document in or to the effect of the form contained in the Ninth Schedule to this Act, signed

by a member of the police force and by the person so convicted, showing on the back thereof a list of other indictable offences not punishable with penal servitude for life with which he has been charged (whether or not he has been committed for trial in respect of those other offences);

- (b) a copy of that document has been furnished to the person so convicted; and
- (c) in all the circumstances of the case it is proper so to do,

the Court may, with the consent of counsel for the Crown and before passing sentence on the person for the offence of which he has been convicted, ask that person whether he admits his guilt in respect of all or any of the offences specified in the list and wishes them to be taken into account in passing sentence upon him.

If the person so convicted admits his guilt in respect of all or any of the offences specified in the list and wishes them to be taken into account by the Court in passing sentence for the offence of which he has been convicted, the Court may, if it thinks fit, take all or any of the offences in respect of which he has so admitted guilt into account accordingly:

Provided that the sentence passed in any such case upon the person so convicted shall not exceed the maximum sentence that may be passed in respect of the offence of which he has been convicted.

(2) The Court shall certify upon the document filed in court the offences specified in the list on the back thereof that have, in respect of the conviction of the person concerned, been taken into account in passing sentence upon that conviction,

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conviction, and thereafter proceedings or further proceedings upon those offences shall not be taken against that person:

Provided that such proceedings or further proceedings may be taken where that conviction is quashed or set aside.

- (3) An admission of guilt under and for the purposes of this section in respect of an offence shall not be admissible in evidence—
 - (a) in any proceedings or further proceedings taken under the proviso to subsection two of this section; or
 - (b) in any proceedings or further proceedings in respect of the offence if the offence was not taken into account under this section in passing sentence.
- (4) An offence taken into account under and in accordance with this section in passing sentence upon any person for another offence of which he has been convicted shall not, by reason of its being so taken into account, be regarded for any purpose as an offence of which that person has been convicted.
- (5) Where the Court before which a person was convicted of an indictable offence in passing sentence for that offence took into account under and in accordance with this section any other offence or offences, then whenever in or in relation to any criminal proceeding—
 - (a) reference may lawfully be made to the fact that that person was convicted of the indictable offence reference may also be made to the fact that that other offence or those other offences was or were so taken into account;

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(b) evidence may lawfully be given of the fact that that person was convicted of the indictable offence, evidence may also be given of the fact that that other offence or those other offences was or were so taken into account.

The fact that that other offence or those other offences was or were so taken into account may be proved in the same manner as the conviction for the indictable offence may be proved.

Nothing in this subsection affects the operation of subsection four of this section.

- (f) (i) by inserting at the end of paragraph (d) of Sec. 477.

 section four hundred and seventy-seven the (List of offences words "except where such escape consti-within this tutes an offence against prison discipline jurisdiction.)

 within the meaning of Part IV of the Prisons Act, 1952";
- by paragraph (d) of section three of this Act, of the same section after the figures and letter "81B," the words "one hundred and thirteen, one hundred and fourteen,";
- (iii) by inserting in the same paragraph after the words "one hundred and sixty-nine," the figures and letters "178A, 178B,";
 - (iv) by inserting in the same paragraph after the words "one hundred and eighty-nine," the figures and letter "189A,";
- 30 (g) by inserting next after section four hundred and New sec. seventy-nine the following new section:— 479A.

479A. Notwithstanding anything contained in Certain this Chapter, a charge against any person for offences any offence under section one hundred and dealt with thirteen or one hundred and fourteen of this summarily.

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Act or for an attempt to commit any such offence shall not be disposed of summarily under this Chapter if it appears to the Justice or Justices hearing the charge that—

- (a) the acts alleged against the person charged in respect of the offence were such as to give any person reasonable cause to apprehend violence from the person charged; or
- (b) where the charge is for breaking and entering or attempting to break and enter any premises mentioned in section one hundred and thirteen of this Act with intent to commit felony therein or is for being found at night under the following circumstances, that is to say, entering or being in any building with intent to commit a felony or misdemeanour therein, any person was lawfully in or upon those premises or that building at the time when the person charged is alleged to have committed the offence.
- (h) by omitting from section four hundred and sec. 499.

 ninety-nine the words "shall be released from (Certificate all proceedings, civil or criminal, for the same or conviction cause" and by inserting in lieu thereof the other proceedings.)

"shall be released—

- (a) from all criminal proceedings for the same cause; and
- (b) from all civil proceedings for the same cause at the suit of the person laying the information in respect of the proceedings for assault.

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(2) Any person against whom civil proceedings have been taken in respect of any act done by him which is an offence of which he might

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have been convicted under sections four hundred and ninety-three to four hundred and ninety-six both inclusive shall be released from all criminal proceedings for the same cause on the information of the person by whom the civil proceedings were taken."

(i) (i) by inserting in paragraph (c) of subsection Sec. 501. one of section five hundred and one after the (List of offences words "one hundred and fifty-two" the punishable words ",one hundred and seventy-nine, two summarily without hundred and forty-seven":

accused.)

- (ii) by omitting from the same subsection the words "ten pounds" and by inserting in lieu thereof the words "fifty pounds";
- (j) by omitting from section five hundred and fifty- Sec. 556. 15 six the words "or is discharged from his con- (Summary viction by the Justices under section five hundred a bar to and fifty-two of this Act, he shall not be liable further to any other proceeding for the same cause" and ings.) by inserting in lieu thereof the words and new 20 subsection :-

"he shall not be liable—

- (a) to any other criminal proceedings for the same cause:
- (b) to any civil proceedings for the same cause at the suit of the person laying the information upon which he was summarily convicted under this Act.
- (2) Any person against whom civil proceedings have been taken in respect of any act or 30 thing done or omitted to be done by him which is an offence of which he might have been convicted summarily without consent under this Act shall be released from all criminal proceedings for the same cause on the information of the 35 person by whom the civil proceedings were taken."

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	(k) by inserting next after the Eighth Schedule the following new Schedule:—	New Ninth Schedule.					
	NINTH SCHEDULE.	Sec. 447B.					
5	Form of list of other indictable offences charged. Police Department, Criminal Investigation Branch, Sydney (or						
lo	Police Station.) TO						
15	Memorandum for Accused's Information. (1) The list on the back hereof gives particulars of						
20	other alleged offences with which you are charged. (2) If you are convicted of the charge of						
15	(3) If you are convicted and the presiding Judge does take any of the other offences that you have admitted into account, the maximum sentence that may be imposed upon you will nevertheless be the maximum sentence for the offence of						
0	(4) No further proceedings may be taken against you in respect of the other offences taken into account unless your conviction for the offence of first mentioned above is set aside or quashed.						
	(5) If proceedings are taken in the circumstances mentioned in (4) or if the presiding Judge does not for any reason take any one or more of the other offences that you have admitted into account, your admission cannot be used as evidence against you in any proceedings taken in the circumstances mentioned or taken in respect of the						
0	Offences not taken into account. Signature of member of the police force Date	AKY.					
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0	Certificate. In sentencing for the offence of this day, I have taken into account the following offences alleged against and admitted by him, that is to say, the offences numbered	
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	A Judge of the Supreme Court or a Chairman of Quarter Sessions.	
10	[BACK OF FORM.]	
	Number. Place where offence was committed. Date of offence. Offence(s). Offence(s). (Brief description.) Whether or not committed for trial? Yes or No.	
15	(1) (i) by omitting from the matter relating to Part III in section one the figures "81" and by inserting in lieu thereof the figures and letter "81B";	(Consequen-
20	(ii) by inserting in the matter relating to Part XII in the same section after the figures "440" the following:—	oc
	(8A) Power to fine in certain cases.—s. 440A.	
25	(iii) by inserting in the same matter after the figures "441" the following:—	
	(9A) Commencement of sentence.—s.	

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- (iv) by inserting at the end of the same matter the following:—
 - (12) Taking outstanding charges into account.—s. 447B.
- 5. The Crimes Act, 1900, as amended by subsequent Further Acts, is further amended of Act No. 40, 1900.
 - (a) (i) by omitting from section nine the words "of Sec. 9. death, or";
- (ii) by omitting from the same section the felonies.) words "as aforesaid" and by inserting in 10 lieu thereof the words "by death or penal servitude";
- (b) by omitting from section nineteen the words "to sec. 19. suffer death" and by inserting in lieu thereof (Murderpunishment.) the words "to penal servitude for life. 15

The provisions of section four hundred and forty-two of this Act shall not be in force with respect to the sentence to be passed under this section.";

(c) by omitting from section twenty-seven the Sec. 27. 20 words "to suffer death" and by inserting in lieu to the thereof the words "to penal servitude for life"; intent to

(d) by omitting from section twenty-eight the words Sec. 28. "to suffer death" and by inserting in lieu thereto property
of the words "to penal servitude for life";

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- (e) by omitting from section sixty-three the words Sec. 63. "to suffer death" and by inserting in lieu thereof the words "to penal servitude for life";
- (f) by omitting from section sixty-seven the words Sec. 67. "to suffer death" and by inserting in lieu thereof knowing 30 the words "to penal servitude for life";

(g) by omitting from section one hundred and ten Sec. 110. the words "to suffer death" and by inserting in (Breaking, and lieu thereof the words "to penal servitude for assaulting with intent life";

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(h) by omitting from section one hundred and sec. 196. ninety-six the words "to suffer death" and by (Setting fire inserting in lieu thereof the words "to penal etc., knowing servitude for life";

(i) by omitting from section two hundred and Sec. 235. thirty-five the words "to suffer death" and by (Setting fire inserting in lieu thereof the words "to penal any person servitude for life";

- (i) by omitting from section two hundred and forty Sec. 240. the words "to suffer death" and by inserting (Exhibiting 10 in lieu thereof the words "to penal servitude signals, &c.) for life";
 - (k) by omitting section four hundred and thirty; Sec. 430. (Sentences when to be pronounced.)
- (1) by omitting from section four hundred and Sec. 431. thirty-one the words ", or some offence by this (Only 15 Act or hereafter made so punishable" and by felonies inserting in lieu thereof the words "and for capital.) which no other punishment is provided by this Act."
- 6. The Crimes Act, 1900, as amended by subsequent Further Acts, is further amended of Act No. 40, 1900.
 - (a) (i) by omitting from section 154A the words Sec. 154A. "shall be liable to imprisonment for three using years" and by inserting in lieu thereof the another's words "shall be deemed to be guilty of boat.) larceny, and may be convicted thereof upon an indictment for simple larceny";
 - (ii) by omitting from the same section the words and figures "and in section 154B";
- (b) by omitting section 154B; 30

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(c) by inserting in subsection one of section 526A Sec. 526A. after the word "shall" the words "be guilty of using statutory larceny and shall". vehicle or boat.)

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(d) by inserting next after section five hundred and New sec. seventy-seven the following new section:—

578. (1) Any Judge or Chairman of Quarter Publication Sessions presiding at the trial of any person for an offence under sections sixty-three, sixty-five, forbidden in sixty-six, sixty-seven, sixty-eight, seventy-one, seventy-two, 72A, seventy-three, seventy-four, ease. seventy-six, 78A, 78B, seventy-nine, eighty, eighty-one, 81A, 81B, eighty-six, eighty-seven, eighty-nine, ninety, 91A, 91B, 91c or 91D of this Act may at any stage of the trial and from time to time make an order forbidding publication of the evidence therein or any report or account of that evidence either as to the whole or portions thereof:

Provided that if the accused or counsel for the Crown indicates to the Judge or Chairman that it is desired that any particular matter given in evidence should be available for publication, no such order shall be made in respect of that matter.

(2) Any person who commits a breach of an order made under subsection one of this section shall, on conviction before two Justices, be liable to a penalty of one thousand pounds.

7. (1) The Justices Act, 1902, as amended by Amendment subsequent Acts, is amended—

of Act No. 27, 1902.

(a) by inserting next after section fifty-one the New sec. following short heading and new section:— 51A.

30 PLEA OF GUILTY IN COMMITTAL PROCEEDINGS.

51a. (1) A person charged before one, or more Effect of than one, Justice with an indictable offence not plea of punishable with penal servitude for life may, committal at any stage of the proceedings, plead guilty to proceedings, the charge and thereupon the following provisions of this section have effect:—

(a) The Justice or Justices may accept or reject the plea.

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The rejection of a plea of guilty at any stage of the proceedings does not prevent the accused from pleading guilty under this section at a later stage of the proceedings and the Justice or Justices have power to accept or reject the plea at that later stage;

- (b) Where the Justice or Justices reject the plea the proceedings before the Justice or Justices shall be continued as if the plea had not been made;
- (c) Where the Justice or Justices accept the plea, the Justice or Justices shall thereupon commit the accused to such sittings of the Supreme Court or such Court of Quarter Sessions as the Justice or Justices may direct to be dealt with as hereinafter in this section provided;
- (d) The Judge of the Supreme Court or the Chairman of Quarter Sessions, as the case may be, before whom the accused is brought in accordance with this section—
 - (i) shall, if it appears to him from the information or evidence given to or before him that the facts in respect of which the accused was charged before the Justice or Justices do not support the charge to which the accused pleaded guilty or if the accused or counsel for the Crown requests that an order be made under this subparagraph, and may, if for any other reason the Judge or Chairman, as the case may be, sees fit so to do, order that the proceedings before the Justice or Justices at which the accused pleaded guilty be continued at a time and place to be specified in the order;

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- (ii) unless an order is made under subparagraph (i) of this paragraph, has the same powers of sentencing or otherwise dealing with the accused, and of finally disposing of the charge and of all incidental matters, as he would have had if the accused on arraignment at any sittings of the Court had pleaded guilty to the offence charged on an indictment filed by the Attorney-General.
- (2) All proceedings relating to a committal for trial apply, as nearly as may be, to a committal under paragraph (c) of subsection one of this section, and bail may be similarly granted; but no person shall be bound over to give evidence on any committal under that paragraph unless the committing Justice or Justices otherwise order.
 - (3) Where an order is made by a Judge or Chairman under subparagraph (i) of paragraph (d) of subsection one of this section that proceedings before a Justice or Justices at which an accused pleaded guilty be continued at a time and place specified in the order, those proceedings shall be continued in all respects as if the accused had not pleaded guilty and as if those proceedings had been adjourned by the Justice or Justices to the time and place so specified.

Upon the making of any such order the Judge or Chairman may exercise any power that the Justice or Justices might have exercised under section thirty-four of this Act if the order had been an order made by the Justice or Justices adjourning the proceedings to the time and place so specified;

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specified; and the provisions of the said section thirty-four apply to and in respect of the accused.

(4) Where a person has, in respect of any charge to which he has pleaded guilty under subsection one of this section, been committed under paragraph (c) of that subsection, the Attorney-General may in his discretion direct in writing that no further proceedings under this section be taken against the person so committed in respect of that charge.

Upon the giving of such direction-

- (a) no further proceedings shall be taken under this section against the person so committed in respect of that charge; and
- (b) the provisions of section three hundred and fifty-eight of the Crimes Act, 1900, as amended by subsequent Acts, apply to and in respect of the person concerned as if he were under committal for trial and the Attorney-General had declined to file any information against him.
- (5) A committal under paragraph (c) of subsection one of this section shall, for all purposes relating to the venue or change of venue of proceedings consequent on that committal, be deemed to be a committal for trial.
 - (6) This section does not apply where-
 - (a) the indictable offence with which the person is charged is an offence mentioned in section four hundred and seventy-seven of the Crimes Act, 1900, as amended by subsequent Acts, and that person pleads guilty after all conditions prescribed by Chapter I of Part XIV of that Act which are necessary to

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be complied with in order to give jurisdiction to the Justice or Justices to hear and determine the charge in a summary manner have been complied with: or

- (b) the indictable offence with which the person is charged may be dealt with summarily without the consent of the accused and is being so dealt with.
- (b) by inserting next after section one hundred and New sec. 153A. fifty-three the following new section:-

153A. (1) When a person is apprehended Person under a bench warrant issued by a Judge or apprehended under bench a Chairman of Quarter Sessions in any warrant criminal proceeding and a sittings of the Court to be committed out of which the bench warrant issued is not to prison or then being held, any Justice may—

to bail.

- (a) by warrant commit that person to prison, there to be safely kept until the next sittings of the Court out of which the bench warrant issued or until he is delivered in due course of law or is admitted to bail as hereinafter in this section provided; or
- (b) if that person procures and produces a surety or sureties sufficient, in the opinion of the Justice, to ensure his appearance at the commencement of the next sittings of the Court out of which the bench warrant issued, admit him to bail.

If that person cannot then and there procure and produce such surety or sureties, the Justice may certify on the warrant of commitment his consent that that person be admitted to bail, stating the amount of bail that ought to be required.

(2) (a) The constable or other person to whom a warrant of commitment is directed by a Justice under paragraph (a) of subsection

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one of this section shall convey the person committed therein named or described to the prison therein mentioned, and there deliver him and the warrant to the gaoler, keeper or governor of such prison, who shall thereupon give the constable or other person delivering such person into his custody a receipt for such person, setting forth the state and condition in which such person was when delivered into the custody of such gaoler, keeper or governor.

- (b) If it appears to the Justice by whom a warrant of commitment is granted as aforesaid that the person committed has money sufficient to pay the expenses or some part thereof of conveying him to such prison, the Justice may order the whole or a sufficient part of such money to be applied to that purpose.
- (3) (a) When a Justice admits a person to bail as aforesaid he shall take the recognizance of such person and of the surety or sureties, conditioned that such person shall appear at the commencement of the next sittings of the Court out of which the bench warrant under which such person was apprehended was issued, and shall then surrender and not depart the Court without leave.
 - (b) Every recognizance shall be duly acknowledged by the person who enters into it, and shall be subscribed by the Justice.
- (c) A notice of every recognizance signed by the Justice shall at the same time be given by him to each person bound thereby.
- (4) When a Justice has by warrant committed a person to prison under subsection one of this section and has given such a certificate as is mentioned in that subsection, any Justice being at the prison where such person is

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in custody, may on production of such certificate admit such person to bail in the manner hereinbefore in this section provided.

- (5) Where any person apprehended under any bench warrant is committed to prison or admitted to bail by a Justice under the provisions of this section, the Justice shall forthwith transmit a certified copy of the warrant of commitment or, as the case may be, the recognizance or recognizances of bail to the Attorney-General.
 - (c) by omitting from the matter relating to Part Sec. 1.

 IV in section one the figures "51" and by (Consequeninserting in lieu thereof the figures and letter tial.)

 "51a".
- 15 (2) The Justices Act, 1902, as amended by subsequent Acts and by this Act, may be cited as the Justices Acts, 1902-1954.

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