New South Wales.



ANNO VICESIMO PRIMO

VICTORIÆ REGINÆ.

No. I.

An Act for granting a Duty of Customs on Opium. [Assented to, 20th November, 1857.]

HEREAS it is expedient to grant to Her Majesty a Duty of Customs Preamble. upon Opium Be it therefore 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 the same as follows:-

1. In addition to all other Duties of Customs which are now by Ten shillings per law chargeable and payable to Her Majesty there shall be charged and pound duty of collected and paid to Her Majesty upon all Opium imported into New South Wales a Duty of Customs at the rate of ten shillings upon and for every pound avoirdupois weight thereof.

2. This Act shall come into force on the day of the passing thereof Commencement of Provided that any Customs Duties charged collected or levied upon Opium Act. imported into New South Wales since the *twentieth* day of *August* 1857 indemnities for proif charged at the rate aforesaid and in other respects in accordance with the provisions of this Act shall be deemed to have been lawfully charged collected or levied.

3. And for any refusal to pass any entry for Opium on the part Indemnifying Offi-of any Officer of the Customs since the said twentieth day of August such cers not passing entries. Officer shall be indemnified and held harmless and free from any action or suit.

4. This Act shall be styled and may be cited as the "Opium short Title. Duties Act of 1857.'

By Authority : WILLIAM HANSON, Government Printer, Sydney, 1857.

