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No. XXVII.

An Act for transferring to the Registrar General the duties of the Chief Clerk of the Supreme Court as Registrar of Deeds and other Instruments. [Assented to, 11th March, 1857.]

HEREAS it is expedient to transfer to the General Registry for Preamble. New South Wales all Instruments heretofore registered, recorded, or deposited in the Registry Office attached to the Supreme Court, and to vest in the Registrar General the custody thereof, and the registration, recording, and depositing of like Instruments in future: 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. Upon a day to be fixed by the Governor, of which fourteen days All Instruments, &c., previous notice shall be published in the Government Gazette, the officer then by law charged with the custody of Instruments theretofore registered, transferred to Registerrolled, or deposited in the Registry Office attached to the Supreme Court, shall deliver up, and the Registrar General shall take possession of the said office, and all the said Instruments of whatsoever kind, and all indexes, books, documents, and writings in the custody of the said officer relating thereto.

2. Upon and from the same day all the duties now by law All duties of Regis-imposed upon, and all the powers and authorities then vested in the said tration, &c., imposed officer as such, shall be transferred to and imposed upon and vested in the General. Registrar General, and the like fees may be taken by him for performing the said duties as may now by law be taken for the performance thereof.

3. It shall be lawful for the Registrar General, with the sanction Registrar General of the Governor, to appoint a Deputy or Deputies, whose acts, with may appoint a respect to all the duties aforesaid, shall have the same force and effect as if done by the Registrar General.

4. Every Commissioner of the Supreme Court for taking affidavits Commissioners of (not residing within five miles of the City of Sydney) shall have power to Affidavits may take take acknowledgments of married women and others, and verifications of &c. copies of Deeds, and other Instruments requiring verification, and may receive to his own use the fees now by law payable in that behalf.