## A BILL

To abolish Capital Punishment.

[Mr. Brookes; —8 March, 1870.]

WHEREAS it is expedient that all Capital Punishments shall Preamble.

be abolished within this Colony 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
5 South Wales in Parliament assembled and by the authority of the same
as follows:—

- 1. All capital punishments within the Colony shall be and the Abolition of capital same are hereby abolished and judgment of Death shall neither be pronounced nor recorded against any person after the passing of this 10 Act.
  - 2. Every person convicted of any crime punishable with Death Penal servitude for life to be in lieu at the passing of this Act shall be liable to be kept in penal servitude thereof. and be imprisoned and put to hard labor in one of Her Majesty's Gaols within the Colony for the whole of his natural life.
- 3. Nothing herein contained shall be construed to abridge or Royal prerogative affect Her Majesty's Royal prerogative of mercy.