This PUBLIC BILL originated in the LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY, and, having this day passed, is now ready for presentation to the LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL for its concurrence.

Legislative Assembly Chamber, Sydney, 9 May, 1878. STEPHEN W. JONES, Clerk of Legislative Assembly.

## New South Wales.



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### An Act to authorize the reclaiming and improving of Land in Rushcutters Bay.

WHEREAS it is expedient to reclaim and resume certain areas of Proemble. land in Rushcutters Bay for the purpose of dedicating the same as a park or place of public recreation Be it enacted by the Queen's Most Excellent Majesty by and with the advice and consent

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

1. It shall be lawful for the Governor with the advice of the Reclamation of land Executive Council to cause to be reclaimed from the waters of Port in Schedule A.

10 Jackson the portion of land lying below high-water-mark in Rushcutters Bay which is described in the Schedule A hereto.

2. The portions of land described in Schedule B hereto are Resumption of land hereby declared to be resumed by and to be vested in Her Majesty described in Schedule Her Heirs and Successors for an estate of inheritance in fee simple in

15 possession freed and discharged from all estates interests trusts incumbrances easements and rights whatsoever And the title of the Crown to the said lands shall be deemed to be perfected immediately upon this Act coming into force.

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3. The owner of any land which shall be severed from immediate Compensation for contact with the water in consequence of such reclamation shall be damage sustained by reclamation. entitled to compensation for the damage sustained by his property in consequence of such severance and such damage shall in every case be 5 determined by appraisement in the manner hereinafter provided regard being had in such appraisement to any increased value conferred upon such land by the works to be carried out under the authority of this And every such appraisement shall be made and the amount of Act compensation thereby awarded for such severance shall be ascertained

10 before such severance shall be actually effected And in such appraisement regard shall be had to the value of any reclamation or improvements made by the owners of such land provided the same shall not have been alienated under section nine or section twelve of the "Crown Lands Alienation Act of 1861.'

4. Every person who but for this Act would have been able to Compensation for 15 establish his title as owner of any portion of the resumed lands described

in Schedule B hereto shall be entitled to compensation for such portion so resumed And the amount of compensation shall be determined in

every case by appraisement as hereinafter provided And such appraise-20 ment shall be made and the amounts of compensation shall be ascer-tained as nearly as possible at the same time as appraisements under the third section hereof but in every case before the severance therein mentioned shall be effected.

5. The whole of the area to be reclaimed and the several The whole of the reclaimed and resumed under the authority of this Act shall be and the reclaimed and resumed area to be same are hereby declared to be set apart and dedicated in perpetuity set apart for purposes as a park or place of public recreation but so that the portion secondly of public recreation. described in Schedule B shall be set apart as a road of access to such And this enactment shall be construed to extend all park or place 30 the provisions (so far as they can be applied) of the "Public Parks Act

of 1854" to the areas so reclaimed and resumed respectively.

6. Every appraisement under this Act shall be conducted as Appraisement. follows :-

(1.) The Minister for Lands or some person authorized in that Appointment of behalf by him and the owner of the land may concur in the appraisers.

appointment of a single appraiser or in default of such concurrence each such party shall appoint an appraiser And every such appointment shall be made by the respective parties under their hands in writing and delivered to the appraiser or to the appraisers as the case may be and such written appointment shall be attached to the appraisement when made and shall be deemed a submission to appraisement by the parties making the same.

(2.) Where two appraisers shall have been appointed they shall Appointment of before entering upon the appraisement appoint an umpire by umpire. writing under their hands.

- (3.) Before any appraiser or umpire shall enter upon the consider- Declaration. ation of any matter referred to him under this Act he shall subscribe a declaration in the form following before a Justice of the Peace :-
  - "I A.B. do solemnly and sincerely declare that I am not directly or indirectly interested in the matter referred to me and that I will faithfully honestly and to the best of my skill and ability hear and determine the matters referred to me under the 'Rushcutters Bay Land Reclamation and Resump-tion Act of 1878'"

And such declaration shall be annexed to the appraisement when made.

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(4.) And with respect to all matters not otherwise provided for or regulated by this Act such appraisement shall be conducted in accordance with the provisions of the Act of Council thirty-one Victoria number fifteen as if such appraisement were an arbitration under the provisions of the said lastmentioned Act.

7. All costs of and consequent upon every reference to appraise- Costs. ment under this Act shall be in the discretion of the appraiser or appraisers or umpire by whom the matter is determined.

10 8. Every appraisement under this Act shall be in writing and Requisites of shall be transmitted to the Minister for Lands and be deposited in his appraisement. office.

9. No person save in the consideration of payment for resump-Provisions as to tion of any portion included in Schedule B hereto shall be entitled to claims in certain to make any claim for compensation in respect of the severance of land

15 make any claim for compensation in respect of the severance of land from contact with the water if such land is situate within the area described in such Schedule but an owner part of whose land is situate in such Schedule and part in Schedule A may claim in respect of each such part in accordance with the provisions of this Act.

- 20 10. If at the time when any claim for compensation under this Apportionment of Act has been finally ascertained it shall appear that the land in respect compensation in of which such claim has been so ascertained is under lease to any person for any term the payment of compensation shall be in accordance with such agreement as the owner and lessee may have entered into
- 25 for the purpose of fixing their respective proportions of the amount to be awarded but in the event of no such agreement having been made or of either party refusing to come to any agreement then the amount awarded shall be paid in such proportions as may be recommended by the Crown Solicitor or by the majority of any three persons to whom
- 30 the Minister for Lands for the time being may refer the matter And such payment shall exonerate the Government from any liability in respect of such compensation.

11. This Act may be cited as the "Rushcutters Bay Land Short title. Reclamation and Resumption Act of 1878."

#### SCHEDULES.

#### SCHEDULE A.

#### (Reclamation.)

That part of Rushcutters Bay Commencing at a point on the west side of the bay 5 being the junction of the south-east corner of J. F. Holle's leasehold with high-water-mark and bounded thence on the north and north-west by the line of proposed retaining wall to a point sixteen feet from the north-east end of boat-jetty on the south-east side of the bay thence still by the line of proposed wall bearing easterly one hundred and sixty-five feet to the original high-water-mark and thence on the east south and west 10 by the original high-water-mark to the point of commencement.

#### SCHEDULE B.

#### (Resumption.)

(1.) Portions of W. Thomas's now Sarah Booth's forty-acre and Thomas West's now Obed West's seventy-one-acre grants being the land between the portion of Sarah 15 Booth's forty acres now occcupied by Mr. Thomas Thompson tenant of the "Old White Conduit House" on the east and that portion of Thomas West's now Obed West's seventy-one acres occupied by Mr. Dwyer and Mr. Macdonald on the west and bounded on the north by the old high-water-mark and on the south by the New South Head Road.
(2.) Also for a road of access one chain wide a part of Thomas West's now Obed 20 West's seventy-one-acre grant south-east of and adjoining portion of said grant in occupation of Mr. Lockyer and Mr. Hawley and leading from the New South Head Road to the original high-water-mark. Road to the original high-water-mark.

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