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43º VICTORIÆ, 1879.

A BILL

To provide for the more effectual punishment of certain atrocious Crimes where the penalty of Death is commuted.

[MR. DARLEY ;-25 June, 1879.]

WHEREAS in the case of the atrocious Crimes hereinafter men-Preamble. tioned now subject to the penalty of Death it is expedient in a view to their more effectual repression that where that penalty is commuted the Governor should be empowered to increase the punish-5 ment now by law provided in that behalf 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. Whenever after the passing of this Act any person shall be In certain capital 10 convicted of the crime of rape or of carnal knowledge of a child under cases whipping may ten years or any unnatural crime or of robbery with arms and accom- the penalty of death panied by wounding and shall for any such crime have been sentenced is commuted. to death if the Governor shall in exercise of the Royal Prerogative 15 remit conditionally that penalty it shall be lawful for him to direct c 128— that

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that the offender be kept to hard labour on the roads or other public works of the Colony or imprisoned with hard labour for life or any less term and in either case during the first three years or any less portion thereof in irons and also (instead of or in addition to the lastmentioned direction) that such offender be once twice or thrice privately 5 whipped Provided that the number of strokes to be inflicted at each whipping and the time and place thereof shall be specified in such direction.

Provisions of Garotting Act to apply.

Governor's directions

Judge.

2. The several provisions of the second and third sections of the Act passed in the thirty-seventh year of Her Majesty for the more 10 effectual suppression of garotting shall in other respects be in force as to such whipping and the infliction and endurance thereof.

3. Upon the Governor's remission of the penalty of death with to be enforced by the the term of his direction or directions in the case being signified to the Judge before whom the offender was convicted such Judge shall make 15 an order that he be dealt with according to those terms which order shall have the effect of a valid sentence passed by the Court in which the offender was convicted and shall be entered upon its records accordingly.

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

Legislative Council Chamber, Sydney, 15th July, 1879. JOHN J. CALVERT, Clerk of the Parliaments.

New South Wales.



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No.

An Act to provide for the more effectual punishment of Crimes where the penalty of Death is commuted.

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