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, 5 October, 1886. }

F. W. WEBB, Acting Clerk of Legislative Assembly.

# New South Wales.



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# No.

An Act to remodel the Law relating to the Protection of Inventions and the Registration of Designs.

WHEREAS it is expedient to make better provision for the pro-Preamble. tection of inventions and designs 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 :—

# PART I.

1. This Act may be cited as the "Patents and Designs Act short title and 1886" and is divided into Four Parts as follows :---

PART I.—PATENTS—Preliminary—Establishment—Condition on which Patent may be granted—Application for and grant of Patent—Letters of Registration—Provisional Protection— Complete Specification—Amendment of Specification ss. 1 to 27.

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2. The Act sixteenth Victoria number twenty-four and forty- Repeal of second Victoria number twenty-seven are hereby repealed also Part III to Patents and and so much of any other Part of the Act forty-second Victoria number Designs. twenty as are applicable to designs for any article or work of manu-

facture or art But such repeal shall not of itself affect the past 10 operation of any of the said repealed Acts or enactments or the validity of any letters of registration granted or designs registered thereunder nor shall such repeal affect any right or liability acquired or accrued under any of the said repealed Acts or enactments before the commencement of this Act.

Interpretation of

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- 3. In the construction of this Act— "Governor" means the Governor with the advice of the Executive terms. Council.
- "Judge" means the Judge of Patents constituted by the fifty-eighth section of this Act unless the context otherwise indicates.
- "Industrial Property" means any invention protected by any 20 patent or letters of registration and any design registered under this Act And when reference is made to any International Convention for the Protection of Industrial Property then the term shall have the meaning assigned to it in any 25 such convention.
  - "Invention" comprises everything which may be the subject of Letters Patent under section nine of this Act and includes every new and useful manufacture and also every alleged invention.
  - "Inventor" means the person who first practically makes or introduces into the Colony any new and useful invention in the sense set forth in this Act.

"Manufacture" means and includes every new article of manufacture and every new process or method of manufacture and also the application of a new principle to any species of manufacture and includes particularly :-

- (I) New contrivances applied to new objects or purposes.
- (II) New contrivances applied to old objects or purposes when the application is attended with some degree of utility.
- (III) New processes applied to the production of known substances.
- (IV) Any new mode of applying a known machine process material or principle to a new or old purpose provided that some ingenuity and some novelty are exhibited in the mode of making that application and that the application is attended by some useful result.
- (v) Any addition to an old machine or process provided the invention is confined to the addition.
- (VI) Any addition to or subtraction from any known machine or process causing the old machine or process to accomplish an object in a more speedy perfect or economical manner than heretofore.
- (VII) Any new combination consisting of two or more known processes or implements when used together to effect a new purpose or to effect an old purpose in a better cheaper or more expeditious manner than had previously been the case.

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- (VIII) Any new combination consisting of two or more known parts or materials even though in use for the same purpose producing a new result or producing an old result in a more economical manner or more perfect form whereby in either case an article cheaper or better than had before been produced shall be obtainable.
- (IX) Chemical processes whether in combination with mechanical contrivances or not whereby something useful is produced or effected.
- (x) Any new principle or idea as regards an art or manufacture coupled with a mode of carrying that idea into practice as by a machine although the principle or the machine would not alone be patentable.
- "Obstructive monopoly" means the use of a patent or design in such a way as to render such patent or design obtainable within the Colony only at an inordinate price or of an inferior quality or in insufficient quantity or with unreasonable difficulty.
- "Minister" means the Minister charged with the administration of this Act.
- " Patent" means Letters Patent for an invention.
- " Patentee" means the person for the time being entitled to the benefit of a patent.
- " Prescribed" means prescribed by this Act or by any regulation or rules under this Act.
- " Registrar" means the Registrar of Patents and Designs appointed under this Act.
- "Representative" in respect of a person deceased means his executors or administrators and in respect of any other person the duly authorized agent or attorney of such person for the time being.

4. For the purposes of this Act the Minister shall provide an Establishment of office to be called the Patent Office which shall be under the immediate Patent Office. control of an officer to be called the "Registrar of Patents and Designs" <sup>46</sup> and 47 Vic. c. 57 35 There shall be a seal for the Patent Office and impressions thereof

shall be judicially noticed and admitted in evidence.

5. The Governor shall appoint some competent person to Appointment of be the "Registrar of Patents and Designs" and so many officers and officers. It. s. 83. clerks as he shall think fit and shall fix the remuneration or salary of

- 40 the persons so appointed The Registrar shall act under the general administrative control of the Minister and any act directed to be done by the Registrar may in his absence be done by any officer in that behalf authorized by the Minister.
- 6. If the Registrar or any person employed under or by virtue Patent officers not to 45 of this Act shall buy sell or otherwise acquire any invention design or be concerned in patent or the right to register the same or shall in any way traffic therewith every such purchase and sale and every assignment or transfer thereof by or to any such person shall be null and void Provided that nothing in this section shall apply to any original
- 50 inventor or to any acquisition by bequest.

7. If such Registrar or person as aforesaid shall either demand Penalties upon or receive any gratuity or reward in money or otherwise except his patent officers conauthorized salary or remuneration he shall be liable to a penalty of fifty pounds to be recovered by action of debt and may also be either sus-

55 pended or dismissed from his office if he fills one and shall thenceforward be incapable of holding any office or being employed in the Public Service of the Colony.

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# Conditions on which a Patent may be granted.

8. Subject to the provisions of this Act a patent may be For what subjects a granted for any new and useful art machine manufacture or composition of matter or for any new and useful improvement or alteration in 5 or addition to any art machine manufacture or composition of matter except in the following cases :-(I) When the discovery or invention improvement alteration or addition is illegal or has an illicit object in view-(II) Or is for a mere scientific or abstract principle— 10 (III) Or for a natural product— (IV) Or would be injurious to public health morals or safety-(v) Or would be likely to create an obstructive monopoly-(VI) Or if it be already registered as an invention or a design in this Colony-(VII) Or if it be claimed by anyone employed in the Patent 15 Office or employed or engaged in or occupying any official position or discharging any public function in connection with the Government or with any Municipal body or any corporate body of a public character and if it appears that the know-20 ledge of the invention or of its essential features have been acquired from communications received in such capacity-(VIII) Or if it be for an invention or improvement relating to implements of war or any other invention the exclusive use of which belongs to the Government But patents shall be granted for inventions and improvements which though 25 applicable to military or naval or other Government purposes are useful also to private persons provided that such patents shall be granted solely on the condition that the same shall not hinder the Government from making trial of or using such inventions for the public service-30 (IX) Or in the case of inventions or designs that have been previously patented or registered elsewhere if it should seem that the grant of such patent or the registration of such design would be likely to create an obstructive monopoly or would not serve some industrial purpose advantageous to the Colony. 9. An application may be made by any of the following persons To whom and on (whether British subjects or not) for the grant of a patent subject to what conditions the provisions of this Act the provisions of this Actgranted. (I) In the case of new and original inventions-40 By the first and true inventor if domiciled in or carrying on business permanently in the Colony. (II) In the case of inventions previously patented or registered in the United Kingdom or any of the British possessions (other than the Australasian Colonies) or in any country in treaty 45 or convention with Great Britain for the protection of industrial property-

- By the patentee or registered proprietor Provided that application is made within twelve months from the date upon which the provisional or other original patent or document of registration was issued.
- (III) In the case of inventions previously patented or registered in any of the Australasian Colonies-
  - By the patentee or registered proprietor Provided that application is made within six months of the date of the provisional or other original patent or document of registration.

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(IV) In the case of inventions in respect of which application has

not been duly made for letters patent under this section-

By any person domiciled or carrying on business permanently in the Colony.

5 10. (1) The agent of any person entitled to make application Agent may apply. for a patent under sub-section (II) or (III) of the preceding section may make application on behalf of such person if domiciled or carrying on business permanently in the Colony and if authorized by such person to make such application and to work the invention within the 10 Colony.

(II) Any two or more persons may make a joint appli- Two or more persons cation and a patent may be granted to them jointly A company or a may apply. corporation applying for a patent must either include the person who first made the invention or the person who first introduced the same.

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(III) No patent for an invention shall be granted unless Registrar to be satis-the Registrar is satisfied that the applicant is the person duly entitled fied before granting patent. to make the application.

(IV) In the case of any invention under sub-section (I) of As to user of section nine such invention must not have been publicly used or offered invention or design.

- 20 for sale in the Colony before the date of the application But the publication of a printed description of a patent in any book pamphlet or newspaper circulating in the Colony shall not be deemed to constitute a public use thereof.
- (v) In the case of any invention under sub-section (II) (III) Conditions of grant. 25 or (IV) of section nine the grant of the patent shall be subject to the following condition :-

The publication in this Colony within the respective periods mentioned in section nine of any description of the invention or the using or offering for sale therein during such periods

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of such invention shall not invalidate the patent which may be granted for the same.

# Application for and grant of Patent.

11. (1) An application for a patent must be made in the pre-Application how scribed form and must be left at or sent by post to the Patent Office made. Ib. s. 5. 35 in the prescribed manner.

(II) An application must contain a declaration to the effect that the applicant is in possession of an invention for which he or (in the case of a joint invention) one or more of the applicants claims or claim to be the person or persons entitled to apply for and to obtain 40 a patent and must be accompanied by either a provisional or complete

specification and the prescribed fee.

(III) A provisional specification must describe the nature of the invention and be accompanied by drawings if required by the Registrar.

(IV) A complete specification whether left on application 45 or subsequently must particularly describe and ascertain the nature of the invention and in what manner it is to be carried out in practice and must be accompanied by drawings if required and also by a model if the Registrar considers a model necessary for the illustration of the 50 invention.

12. (1) The same complete specification shall not include the Specification not to description of more than one complete and distinct invention but may of more than one include the description of any number of accessories and applications invention &c. of such invention provided such accessories and applications are

55 ancillary to each other and collectively contribute to the working of the invention.

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(II) When two or more discoveries inventions or improvements or two or more additions to or alterations in the same are different from each other such discoveries improvements additions or alterations may only be united into one patent when they relate as 5 component parts or operative means to one and the same object.

13. A specification whether provisional or complete must com- Specification must mence with the title and in the case of a complete specification must include title and end with a distinct statement of the invention claimed and may 16. s. 5. contain more than one claim The title must correctly designate the

10 invention and the claim or claims must be in conformity with the specification.

14. If a person possessed of an invention within the meaning Application by repre-of sub-section one of section nine of this Act dies without making sentative of deceased inventor. or without completing application for a patent for such invention Ib. s. 34.

- 15 application for the same may be made by and a patent granted to his representative Provided that such application be made within six months of the death of such person and contain a declaration by his representative that he believes the deceased person to be the true and first inventor of the invention
- 15. The Registrar shall examine the application to ascertain Examination of 20 whether the nature of the invention has been fairly described and the application. application specification and drawings (if any) have been prepared in <sup>1b. s. 6.</sup> the prescribed manner and whether the title sufficiently indicates the subject matter of the invention.
- 25 16. (I) If the Registrar considers that the nature of the Power for Registrar invention is not fairly described or that the application specification or require amendor drawings has not or have not been prepared in the prescribed ment manner or that the title does not sufficiently indicate the subject 16. s. 7. matter of the invention the Registrar may require that the application

30 specification or drawings be amended before he proceeds with the application.

(II) Where the Registrar requires an amendment the applicant may appeal from his decision to the Judge.

(III) The Judge shall if required hear the applicant and 35 the Registrar and may make an order determining whether and subject to what conditions (if any) the application shall be accepted.

(IV) The Registrar shall when an application has been accepted give notice thereof to the applicant.

- (v) If after an application has been made but before a 40 patent has been sealed an application is made accompanied by a specification bearing the same or a similar title it shall be the duty of the Registrar if he considers that the specification comprises the same invention to give notice thereof to the applicants.
- (VI) Where the Registrar considers the inventions com-45 prised in both applications to be the same he may subject to appeal to the Judge refuse to seal a patent on the application of the second applicant.

# Compulsory Licenses.

17. If on the petition of any person interested it is proved to Power for Governor 50 the Governor that by reason of the refusal or default of a patentee to order grant of compulsory licenses. under this Act to grant licenses on reasonable terms-Ib. s. 22.

- (I) The patent is not being worked in New South Wales or
- (II) The reasonable requirements of the public with respect to the invention cannot be supplied or
- (III) The price asked for the enjoyment of the subject matter of the invention is excessive or

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(IV) Any person is prevented from working or using to the best advantage an invention of which he is possessed

The Governor may order the patentee to grant licenses on such terms as to the amount of royalties security for payment or otherwise as the 5 Governor having regard to the nature of the invention and the circumstances of the case may deem just The costs of the patentee shall be borne by the petitioner if the petition is refused and as may be directed if the petition is granted.

# Provisional Protection.

18. Where a provisional application for a patent in respect of Provisional an invention has been accepted the invention may during the period protection. between the date of the application and the date of sealing such patent 16. s. 14 be used and published without prejudice to the patent to be granted

15 for the same Such protection from the consequences of use and publication is in this Act referred to as Provisional Protection Articles so protected shall not be marked or labelled with the word "patent" or " patented" or "registered" or with any word or words of like import.

# Complete Specification.

- 19. If the applicant does not lodge a complete specification  $_{\text{Time for lodging}}$  with his application he may do so at any time within nine months  $_{\text{complete specifica-from the date of lodging his application but if such complete speci-tion. Ib. s. s. fication be not lodged within that time the application shall be deemed$ to have been abandoned.
- 25 20. When the applicant has lodged a complete specification Procedure on the Registrar shall see that the complete specification is in the pre-scribed form has been lodged in the prescribed manner and satisfies Ib so the prescribed conditions and that the prescribed fee has been paid in respect thereof And when a complete specification has been lodged
- **30** after a provisional one he shall further see that the invention particularly described in the complete specification is substantially the same as that described in the provisional one He shall not receive the complete specification unless he considers it satisfactory in all these respects or it is amended in accordance with his suggestions If the
- 35 Registrar refuses to accept the complete specification the applicant may appeal to the Judge who shall if required hear the applicant and the Registrar and shall make an order determining whether and subject to what conditions (if any) the said specification shall be accepted Unless a complete specification is accepted within twelve months from
- 40 the date of application then (unless an appeal has been lodged under this section) the application shall at the expiration of such twelve months be deemed to be void.

21. On acceptance of the complete specification the Registrar Advertisement on shall cause such acceptance to be advertised in the *Gazette* and in some acceptance of com-45 newspaper circulating in Sydney and the application and specification. or specifications with the drawings and model (if appl) shall be even to

or specifications with the drawings and model (if any) shall be open to public inspection at the Patent Office.

22. At any time before the expiration of two months from the opposition to grant date of the advertisement in the Gazette of the acceptance of a of patent. 50 complete specification any person may give the Registrar notice of <sup>16</sup>. . 11. opposition to the grant of a patent on any of the following grounds

but no others viz. :-

(I) That the applicant without proper authority obtained the invention from such person or from such person's legal representatives

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- (II) That the invention has been registered as an invention or a design or patented in this Colony on an application of prior date
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(III) That the title or specification of the invention conflicts with the title or specification of some other invention or design in respect of which application for a patent or registration has been made

- Upon any such notice being given or if the Registrar himself considers that the specification describes the same invention as is described in a 10 specification accompanying a prior application or bears a title corresponding with or too closely resembling the same he shall give notice thereof to the applicant and shall on the expiration of the said two months after investigating the matter determine the case subject to appeal to the Judge who shall hear the applicant and the person 15 so giving notice (if in his opinion entitled to be heard) and determine
- whether the grant ought or ought not to be made and shall communicate his decision to the Registrar who shall give effect to such decision. 23. After the acceptance of a complete specification and until Effect of acceptance
- the date of sealing or the expiration of the time for sealing a patent of complete specifi-20 in respect thereof the applicant shall have the like privileges and Ib. s. 15. rights as if a patent for the invention had been sealed on the date of the acceptance of the complete specification Provided that an applicant shall not be entitled to institute any proceedings for infringement unless and until a patent for the invention has been granted to him.
- 24. The time for filing or accepting a complete specification Extension of time for may be extended without penalty for three months if the Registrar is complete complete. 25 satisfied with the reasons advanced for such extension.

# Amendment of Specification.

- 25. (I) An applicant or a patentee may from time to time by Amendment of 30 request in writing left at the Patent Office seek leave to amend his specification, specification including drawings forming part thereof and likewise the <sup>10</sup>. s. 18. title of the invention by way of disclaimer correction or explanation stating the nature of such amendment and his reasons for the same.
- (II) The request and the nature of such proposed amend-35 ment shall be advertised in the prescribed manner and at any time within two months from its first advertisement any person may give notice at the Patent Office of opposition to the amendment.

(III) Where such notice is given the Registrar shall give notice of the opposition to the person making the request and shall 40 decide the case on the documentary evidence before him provided that he shall be at liberty to receive any verbal explanations that may be offered The decision of the Registrar shall be subject to appeal to the Judge.

- (IV) The Judge shall hear the person making the request 45 and also the person giving notice and being in his opinion entitled to be heard in opposition to the request and shall determine whether and subject to what conditions (if any) the amendment ought to be allowed.
- (v) Where no notice of opposition is given or the person 50 giving notice does not appear the Registrar shall determine whether and subject to what conditions (if any) the amendment ought to be allowed.

(VI) When leave to amend is refused by the Registrar the person making the request may appeal to the Judge to reverse his 55 decision.

specification.

(VII) The Judge shall if required hear the person making the request and the Registrar and may make an order determining whether and subject to what conditions if any the amendment ought to be allowed.

5 (VIII) No amendment shall be allowed that would make the specification as amended claim an invention substantially larger than or substantially different from the invention claimed by the specification as it stood before amendment.

(IX) Leave to amend shall be conclusive as to the right of 10 the party to make the amendment allowed except in case of fraud and the amendment shall in all Courts and for all purposes be deemed to form part of the specification.

(x) The foregoing provisions of this section do not apply when and so long as any action for infringement or other legal pro-15 ceeding in relation to a patent is pending.

26. In any action for the infringement of a patent the Judge Amendment during and in any proceeding for the revocation of a patent the Supreme action &c. Court may at any time order that the patentee shall (subject to such 1. s. 19.

- terms as to costs and otherwise as such Judge or Court may impose) 20 be at liberty to apply at the Patent Office for leave to amend his specification by way of disclaimer and may direct that in the meantime the trial or hearing of such action or proceeding shall be postponed.
- 27. (1) Where any amendment of a specification whether by Restriction on re-25 way of disclaimer correction or explanation shall have been allowed covery of damages. no damages shall be given in any action in respect of the use of the <sup>1b. s. 20</sup>. invention before the date of such disclaimer correction or explanation unless the patentee establishes to the satisfaction of the Court that his original claim was framed in good faith and with reasonable skill and 30 knowledge.

(II) Every amendment of a specification shall be advertised Advertisement of amendment. in the prescribed manner.

# PART II.

Form issue effect duration & c. of Patent-Register of Patents-35 Fees—Extension of term of Patent.

28. The Statute of Monopolies of the twenty-first year of His As to Statute of Majesty King James the First shall not extend to or affect any patent Monopolies and exunder this Act And every such patent shall have the like binding bind Crown. effect against Her Majesty the Queen as it has against a subject. Ib. E. 27.

29. A patent shall issue after the acceptance of a complete Issue of patent. specification in all unopposed cases and in all opposed cases in which the determination is in favour of the grant.

30. The Registrar shall cause all patents to be prepared under Sealing of patent. the seal of the Patent Office and to be endorsed by the Minister Ib. s. 12.

- 45 No patent shall be so sealed after the expiration of fifteen months from the date of application except in the following cases that is to say
  - (I)Where the sealing is delayed by an appeal to the Judge or by opposition to the grant the patent may be sealed at such time as may be directed.
  - (II) If an applicant dies before the expiration of the said fifteen months the patent may be granted to his representative and be sealed at any time within twelve months after the death of such applicant.

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31. Every patent shall be dated and sealed as of the day of the Date &c. of patent. application Provided that if a specification has been amended or Ib. c. 13. another substituted for it the patent shall date from the day upon which the last such amendment or substitution was made Provided 5 also that in case of more than one application being made for a patent for the same invention the sealing of a patent on one of those applications shall not prevent the sealing of a patent on an earlier

application A patent shall be conclusive as to the preliminary steps having been taken in obtaining it No proceedings shall be taken in 10 respect of any infringement of a patent committed before the date of publication of the last completed specification.

32. Every patent granted under this Act when sealed with the Form and effect of seal of the Patent Office signed by the Registrar and endorsed by patent. the Minister shall have effect throughout New South Wales and its <sup>15</sup>. s. 33. 15 dependencies and be recognized abroad as if it were sealed with the

- Great Seal of the Colony Every patent shall be in the prescribed form and have annexed to it a copy of the specification and drawings (if any) and shall be granted for one invention only pursuant to section twelve of this Act But in any legal proceedings no objection shall be taken 20 to a patent on the ground that it comprises more than one invention.
- 33. Subject to the provisions hereinafter contained for the Duration of patents extension of a patent the term limited in every patent for the duration 13. s. 17. thereof shall be fourteen years from its date Provided that in the case of inventions first patented or registered outside of the Colony the
- 25 patent shall expire at the earliest date at which any foreign patent for the same invention expires But every patent shall nevertheless be null and void if and so soon as the patentee fails to make due payment of any of the prescribed fees in respect of such patent Provided that if the failure to pay any such fee shall have been owing to mistake
- 30 accident or inadvertence the Minister may by writing under his hand direct that the patent shall stand good notwithstanding such failure upon payment of the prescribed fee.

34. A patent granted to any person who is entitled thereto Patent to person within the meaning of this Act shall not be invalidated by an appli-invalidated by appli-35 cation in fraud of him or by provisional protection obtained thereon cation in fraud of or by any use or publication of the invention subsequent to that him. fraudulent application during the period of provisional protection.

35. A patentee may assign his patent for any place in or part Assignment for par-of the Colony as effectually as if the patent were originally granted to ticular places. 40 extend to that place or part only Provided that such assignment shall <sup>*Ib. s. 36.*</sup>

not be a bar to the bond fide use or sale or purchase or possession of the patented article in or the carriage of it through such place by the patentee or by any assignee of such invention for any other part of the Colony or by any purchaser of the invention or the representa-45 tive of either of such persons.

36. The Minister or the officers or authorities administering any Use of patent by department of the Public Service may by themselves their agents con- Government. tractors or others at any time before or after the application for a <sup>Ib. s. 27</sup>. patent use the invention for the Public Service and the Minister may

50 fix the terms upon which this is to be done either before or after the use of the invention or he may permit the terms to be fixed by arbitration in the prescribed manner.

37. If a patent is lost or destroyed or its non-production is Loss or destruction of accounted for to the satisfaction of the Registrar he may at any time patent. 55 cause a duplicate thereof to be sealed and issued to the person right-

fully entitled to the patent.

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# Register of Patents.

38. A Register of Patents shall be kept at the Patent Office Register of patents wherein shall be entered the names and addresses of grantees of patents <sup>&c.</sup> notifications of assignments and of transmissions of patents and of 5 amendments extensions and revocations of patents of licenses under patents and such other matters affecting the validity or proprietorship of patents as may be prescribed The Register of Patents shall be primá facie evidence of any matters by this Act authorized to be inserted

therein Copies of deeds licenses and any other documents affecting the 10 proprietorship in any letters patent or in any license thereunder shall be supplied in the prescribed manner to the Registrar for filing in the Patent Office.

### Fees.

39. Every person transacting business with the Patent Office Fees payable.
15 shall pay to the Registrar the several fees set forth in the Schedule to <sup>15. s. 24.</sup>
15 shall pay to the Registrar the several matters and at the several times specified in that Schedule and shall also pay in respect of any other matter under this Act such fees as may be prescribed But the provisions of this section shall not apply to any patentee or applicant who
20 has paid the fee prescribed by the Act hereby repealed in respect of his

application for letters of registration thereunder The time for paying any fee may be extended for three months by the Minister if he is satisfied that the omission was caused by accident mistake or inadvertence.

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# Extension of Term of Patent.

40. A patentee may after advertising in the prescribed manner Extension of term his intention to do so present a petition to the Governor praying that of patent on petition to the his patent may be extended for a further term but such petition must Governor. be presented at least six months before the time limited for the expira- 18. 1. 25. 30 tion of the patent and any person may lodge at the Patent Office a caveat against such extension The Governor may refer any such petition to a Board of Advice to be nominated by him The petitioner and any person who has entered a caveat shall be entitled to be heard before such Board by himself or by counsel Such Board shall in 35 considering their decision have regard to the nature and merits of the invention in the public interests to the profits made by the patentee and to all special circumstances in the case and if they shall report in favour of the extension the Governor may extend the term of the patent for a further term not exceeding seven years or may order the 40 grant of a new patent for the term therein mentioned and containing any restrictions conditions and provisions that he may think fit The whole cost of investigating applications for the extension of the term of patents shall be borne by the applicants and the caveators in such proportions as the Board of Advice may determine The Governor 45 may make rules regulating the procedure to be followed and fees to be paid on petitions for extensions under this section.

# PART III.

# DESIGNS.

# Registration of Designs-Copyright in Registered Designs-Register of Designs-Fees-Legal Proceedings-Definitions.

41. (1) The Registrar may on application by or on behalf of Application for 5 any person claiming to be the proprietor of any design within the registration of designs. meaning of this Act register the design under this part of this Act. Ib. s. 47.

(II) The application must be made in the prescribed form and must be left at or sent by post to the Patent Office in the pre-10 scribed manner and with the prescribed fee.

(III) The application must contain a statement of the nature of the design and the class or classes of goods in which the applicant desires that the design be registered.

(IV) The same design may be registered in more than one 15 class if the registrations are effected simultaneously.

(v) In case of doubt as to the class in which a design ought to be registered the Registrar may decide the question.

(VI) The Registrar may if he thinks fit refuse to register any design presented to him for registration but any person aggrieved 20 by any such refusal may appeal therefrom to the Judge.

(VII) The Judge may make any order determining whether and subject to what conditions (if any) registration is to be permitted.

(VIII) The respective provisions contained in sections nine and ten hereof relating to applicants and applications for patents shall 25 be applied to applicants and applications for designs to the extent and in the manner to be prescribed in that behalf.

42. (I) On application for registration of a design the applicant Drawings, &c., to be shall furnish to the Registrar the perscribed number of copies of furnished on appli-drawings photographs or tracings of the design sufficient in the ration. 30 opinion of the Registrar to enable him to identify the design or the

applicant may instead of such copies furnish exact representations or specimens of the design.

(II) The Registrar may if he thinks fit refuse any drawing photograph tracing representation or specimen which is not in his 35 opinion suitable for the official records.

43. (I) After the design has been registered the Registrar shall Certificate of grant to the proprietor thereof a certificate of registration under the registration. seal of the Patent Office And if the proprietor desires at any time 16. s. 49. to make use of such certificate outside the Colony he may on applica-

40 tion to the Registrar have the document endorsed by the Minister. (II) The Registrar may in case of loss of the original certificate or in any other case in which he deems it expedient grant a copy or copies of the certificate.

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# Copyright in Registered Designs.

44. (I) When a design is registered the registered proprietor of Copyright on the design shall subject to the provisions of this Act have copyright  $_{Ib. s. 50}^{registration}$ . in the design during five years from the date of registration.

(II) Before delivery on sale of any articles to which a 50 registered design has been applied the proprietor must (if exact representations or specimens were not furnished on the application for registration) furnish to the Registrar the prescribed number of exact representations or specimens of the design And if he fails to do so the Registrar may erase his name from the register and thereupon his

55 copyright in the design shall cease.

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design has been applied the proprietor of the design shall cause each designs. *Ib. s. 51.* such article to be marked with the prescribed mark or with the prescribed word or words or figures denoting that the design is registered 5 And if he fails to apply such mark the copyright in the design shall cease unless the proprietor shows that he took all proper steps to ensure the marking of the article. 46. During the existence of copyright in a design the design Inspection of shall not be open to inspection except by the proprietor or a person registered design. It is solved in writing by the proprietor or a person authorized by 10 authorized in writing by the proprietor or a person authorized by the Registrar or by the Judge or Supreme Court and only upon furnishing such information as may enable the Registrar to identify the design nor except in the presence of the Registrar or of an officer acting under him nor except on payment of the prescribed fee And 15 the person making the inspection shall not be entitled to take any copy of the design or of any part thereof After the copyright in a design has ceased the design shall be open to inspection and may be copied by any person on payment of the prescribed fee. 47. On the request of any person producing a particular design Information as to the 20 together with its mark of registration or producing only its mark of right. registration or furnishing such information as may enable the Registrar 1b. s. 53. to identify the design and on payment of the prescribed fee it shall be the duty of the Registrar to inform such person whether the registration still exists in respect of such design and if so in respect of 25 what class or classes of goods and to state also the date of the registration and the name and address of the registered proprietor. 48. If a registered design is used in manufacture anywhere Cesser of copyright outside the Colony and is not used in the Colony within six months of <sup>in certain cases.</sup> its registration in the Colony the copyright in the design shall cease

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its registration in the Colony the copyright in the design shall cease <sup>10</sup>
30 And it shall cease also if at any time after the said period the design is not used in manufacture in the Colony or if the article to which the design is applied is imported into the Colony by the proprietor or is not procurable in the Colony in a manner satisfactory to the Minister or if the proprietor does not keep constantly registered at the Patent
35 Office the address within the Colony at which the design may be procured.

# Register of Designs.

49. (1) There shall be kept at the Patent Office a book called Register of designs. the Register of Designs wherein shall be entered the names and <sup>1b. s. 55.</sup> 40 addresses of proprietors of registered designs notifications of assignments

and of transmissions of registered designs and such other matters as may be prescribed.

(II) The register of designs shall be *primâ facie* evidence of any matters by this Act directed or authorized to be entered 45 therein.

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50. There shall be paid in respect of applications and registra-Fees on registration tions and other matters under this Part such fees as may be prescribed. <sup>&c.</sup> Ib. s. 56.

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51. During the existence of copyright in any design-

 It shall not be lawful for any person without the license or Legal proceedings. written consent of the registered proprietor to apply such *Ib. s. 58.* design or any fraudulent or obvious imitations thereof in the class or classes of goods in which such design is registered for purposes of sale to any article of manufacture or to any substance artificial or natural or partly artificial and partly natural And

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(II) It shall not be lawful for any person to publish or expose for sale any article of manufacture or any substance to which such design or any fraudulent or obvious imitation thereof shall have been so applied knowing that the same has been so applied without the consent of the registered proprietor

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Any person who acts in contravention of this section shall be liable for Penalty on piracy of every offence to forfeit a sum not exceeding fifty pounds to the registered designe. registered proprietor of the design who may recover such sum as a simple contract debt.

- 52. Notwithstanding the remedy given by this Act for the Action for damages, 10 recovery of such penalty as aforesaid the registered proprietor of any 15. . 59. design may (if he elect to do so) bring an action for the recovery of any damages arising from the application of any such design or of any
- fraudulent or obvious imitation thereof for the purpose of sale of any 15 article of manufacture or substance or from the publication sale or exposure for sale by any person of any article or substance to which such design or any fraudulent or obvious imitation thereof shall have been so applied such person knowing that the proprietor had not given his consent to such application.

# Definitions.

53. In and for the purposes of this Act-

"Design" means any design applicable to any article of manu- "design" and facture or to any substance artificial or natural or partly 16. s. 60. artificial and partly natural whether the design is applicable for the pattern or for the shape or configuration or for the ornament thereof or for any two or more of such purposes and by whatever means it is applicable whether by printing painting embroidery weaving sewing modelling casting embossing engraving staining or any other means whatever manual mechanical or chemical separate or combined not being a design for a sculpture or other thing within the meaning of the Sculpture Copyright Act passed by the Imperial Parliament in the year one thousand eight hundred and fourteen (fifty-fourth George the Third chapter fifty-six) or of Part II of the "Copyright Act 1879" passed by the Parliament of this Colony (forty-second Victoria number twenty).

"Copyright" means the exclusive right to apply a design to any article of manufacture or to any such substance as aforesaid.

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- unless he has executed the work on behalf of another person for a good <sup>Ib. a. 61</sup>. or valuable consideration in which case such person shall be considered the proprietor And every person acquiring for a good or valuable 45 consideration a new and original design or the right to apply the same to any such article or substance as aforesaid either exclusively of any other person or otherwise and also every person on whom the property
- in such design or such right to the application thereof shall devolve shall be considered the proprietor of the design in the respect in which 50 the same may have been so acquired and to that extent but not otherwise The term shall also have the extended meaning attributed to it in sub-section (VIII) of section forty-two.

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54. The author of any design which is new and original within Definition of the meaning of this Act shall be considered the proprietor thereof "proprietor.

# PART IV.

# Revocation of Patent-Legal Proceedings-Miscellaneous and General Provisions-Offences-Patent Agents.

55. No proceeding by scire facias to repeal a patent shall here- Substituted 5 after be admissible but revocation of a patent may be obtained on procedure for sei. fa petition to the Supreme Court Every ground on which letters of *Ib. s. 26.* registration might before the commencement of this Act be repealed by scire facias shall be available by way of defence to an action of infringement and shall also be a ground of revocation A petition for revocation 10 of a patent may be presented by-

- (I) The Minister or any person authorized by the Minister in the prescribed manner.
- (II) Any person alleging that the patent was obtained in fraud of his rights or of the rights of any person under or through whom he claims.
- (III) Any person alleging that he or any person under or through whom he claims would be entitled but for the grant of the patent to make application and obtain letters patent for any invention under sections nine or ten hereof respectively.
- (IV) Any person alleging that he or any person under or through whom he claims an interest in any trade business or manufacture had publicly manufactured used or sold within this Colony anything claimed by the patentee as his invention before the date on which it is alleged the right upon which such patentee bases his claim first accrued.

56. In any proceeding for the revocation of a patent the Proceedings for plaintiff shall deliver with his petition particulars of the objections revocation of patent on which he means to rely and no evidence shall except by leave of <sup>*Ib*</sup>. . 26.

the said Court or a Judge thereof be admitted in proof of any objection of 30 which particulars are not so delivered but such particulars may be amended by leave of such Court or Judge The defendant shall be entitled to begin and give evidence in support of the patent and if the plaintiff gives evidence impeaching the validity of the patent the defendant shall be entitled to reply Where a patent has been re-35 voked on the ground of fraud the Registrar may on the application

of the true inventor made in accordance with the provisions of this Act grant to him a patent in lieu of and bearing the same date as the date of revocation of the patent so revoked but the patent so granted shall cease on the expiration of the term for which the revoked patent 40 was granted.

# Legal Proceedings.

57. (1) The jurisdiction of the Supreme Court or of any Judge Constitution of thereof heretofore exercisable in respect of the infringement of any be Judge of Patents. Letters of Registration or Copyright granted under the authority of His jurisdiction &c. 45 any Act hereby wholly or in part repealed and in respect of the infringement of any Patent or Letters of Registration or Copyright

- issued or registered under this Act and whether such jurisdiction were exercisable at law or in equity shall after the passing of this Act be
- exercisable in the first instance exclusively by the Master in Equity 50 for the time being under the title of "Judge of Patents" And the power of granting injunctions as also the power of taking accounts in any suit or proceedings instituted in regard to any such Patent Letters of Registration or Copyright to the extent to which such powers could at the time of the passing of this Act be exercised by
- 55 the said Court or any Judge thereof shall be exercisable by the said Master in Equity sitting as Judge of Patents,

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(II) While sitting or acting as such Judge of Patents such Master in Equity shall have full power to hear and determine (subject to appeal as hereinafter provided) all matters relating to such Patents Letters of Registration and Copyright as aforesaid except only 5 applications for the revocation of Patents and Letters of Registration made under section fifty-six.

(III) The Judge of Patents may exercise in Chambers the jurisdiction conferred on him by this Act and when sitting in the exercise thereof shall have all the powers of a Superior Court of Record 10 and the decrees orders and directions of such Judge shall have the same force and effect as if the same had been made or given by the Supreme Court and such Judge shall have full power to decide all questions whatsoever whether of law or fact and of settling perfecting and carrying out any such decrees or orders Provided that if in any case 15 either party desire a question of fact to be tried by a Common or

Special Jury or the Judge thinks it ought to be so tried then a trial may be directed to be had accordingly in the same manner as on the trial of an issue at law in the Supreme Court at such time and place and in such Court as the order addressed to the Prothonotary and 20 directing the same shall provide.

(IV) The Judge of Patents sitting in Court or Chambers may in all matters before him award such costs as to him shall seem just.

- (v) Every decree order and direction made by the Judge of 25 Patents shall be subject to appeal to the Supreme Court which for the purposes of such appeal shall be constituted by the presence of any two Judges of such Court and such Judges may for the purpose of any such appeal require the Judge of Patents to sit with them as Assessor but he shall not take part in the judgment on appeal.
- (VI) The Judges of the Supreme Court or any three of 30 them shall have power to make General Rules prescribing in what cases and on what terms and within what time appeals from the orders and decisions of the Judge of Patents shall be allowed and for regulating the proceedings on such appeals and otherwise carrying into
- 35 effect the provisions and objects of this Act All such Rules shall be laid before both Houses of Parliament within twenty-one days from the making thereof if Parliament be then sitting or if not sitting then within the like time after the commencement of its next sitting Provided always that until such General Rules shall be framed
- 40 the Rules in force for the time being in the Equity jurisdiction of the Supreme Court shall so far as they may be applicable to procedure under this Act be deemed to be in force.

58. (1) In an action for infringement of a patent the Judge Hearing with and in a proceeding for the revocation of a patent the Court may if assessor &c.

45 such Judge or Court thinks fit and shall on the request of either of 16. 8. 28. the parties call in the aid of an assessor specially qualified and try and hear the case wholly or partially with his assistance Any issue in any proceeding for the revocation of a patent may if the Court shall so direct be tried by a common or special jury with or without the aid 50 of such assessor as aforesaid.

(II) The remuneration if any to be paid to an assessor under this section shall be determined by the Judge or Court and if the assessor has been called in at the instance of either of the parties he shall be paid by such party or as the Judge or Court may direct.

59. (1) In an action for infringement of a patent the plaintiff Delivery of par-55 must deliver with his statement of claim or by order of the Judge at ticulars Ib. s. 29. any subsequent time particulars of the breaches complained of.

(II) The defendant must deliver with his statement of defence or by order of the Judge at any subsequent time particulars of 60 any objections on which he relies in support thereof.

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(III) If the defendant disputes the validity of the patent the particulars delivered by him must state on what grounds he disputes it and if one of those grounds is want of novelty must state the time and place of the previous publication or user alleged by him.

(IV) At the hearing no evidence shall except by leave of the Judge be admitted in proof of any alleged infringement or objection of which particulars are not so delivered.

(v) Particulars delivered may be from time to time amended by leave of the Judge.

(VI) On taxation of costs regard shall be had to the particulars delivered by the plaintiff and by the defendant and they respectively shall not be allowed any costs in respect of any particular delivered by them unless the same is certified by the Judge to have been proven or to have been reasonable and proper without regard to 15 the general costs of the case.

60. In an action for infringement of a patent the Judge may order for inspection on the application of either party make such order for an injunction &c. in action. inspection or account and impose such terms and give such directions 16. s. 30. respecting the same and the proceedings thereon as the Judge may see fit.

- 20 61. In an action for infringement of a patent the Judge may Validity of certificate certify that the validity of the patent came in question and if the questioned and costs Judge so certifies then in any subsequent action for infringement the  $I_{b. s. 31}^{\text{thereon.}}$ plaintiff in that action on obtaining a final order or judgment in his favour shall have his full costs charges and expenses as between
- 25 solicitor and client unless the Judge certifies that he ought not to have the same.

62. Where any person claiming to be the patentee of an inven- Remedy in case of tion by circulars advertisements or otherwise threatens any other groundless threats of legal proceedings. person with any legal proceedings or liability in respect of any alleged 16, s. 32.

30 manufacture use sale or purchase of the invention any person or persons aggrieved thereby may bring an action against him and may obtain an injunction against the continuance of such threats and may recover such damage (if any) as may have been sustained thereby if the alleged manufacture use sale or purchase to which the threats

35 related was not in fact an infringement of any legal rights of the person making such threats Provided that this section shall not apply if the person making such threats commences and prosecutes with due diligence an action for infringement of his patent.

63. Every appeal to the Judge shall be subject to such con-Appeal to Judge. 40 ditions and provisions as may be prescribed and shall be absolutely final and binding on all parties to the appeal But if either party be dissatisfied with the decision of the Judge in point of law or upon the admission or rejection of evidence such party within the time and subject to the conditions and provisions to be prescribed may appeal 45 from such decision to the Supreme Court.

64. The Registrar or the Judge or the Supreme Court may on As to experts. any application or on the hearing of any appeal or other matter under 16. s. 11. this Act if he or the Judge or such Court thinks fit obtain the assistance of an expert who shall be paid such remuneration for his services as

50 may be prescribed.

65. No report memorandum or minute made under the authority Reports &c. priviof this Act or used for purposes in connection with it whether referring leged from publica-tion and inspection, to a provisional or complete specification or to any proceeding under 18. . 9. the Act shall be published or be open to public inspection or be liable

55 to production or inspection in any legal proceeding other than an appeal to the Judge or the Supreme Court and then only for the information of the Judge or Court unless the Judge or the Court shall consider that such production or inspection is necessary in the interests of justice and shall order accordingly.

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# Miscellaneous and General Provisions.

66. The exhibition of an invention or design at any Industrial Exhibition at Indus-International Intercolonial or other Exhibition held in this Colony trial International under the authority of the Government or the publication of any Exhibition not to 5 description of the invention or design during the period of the holding rights or copyright in of such exhibition or the use of the invention or design for the purpose designs. of such exhibition in the place where the same is held or the use of Ib. s. 39. the invention or design during the period of the holding of such

exhibition by any person elsewhere without the privity or consent of 10 the inventor or person entitled thereto shall not prejudice the right of such inventor or his legal personal representative to apply for and obtain provisional protection and letters patent in respect of the invention or to register the design or prejudice the validity of any document of title granted on any such application provided that both 15 the following conditions are complied with namely:-

- (I) The exhibitor must before exhibiting the invention or design give the Registrar the prescribed notice of his intention to do so and
- (II) The application for letters patent or for the registration of a design must be made before or within six months from the date of the opening of the Exhibition.

67. (I) The Minister shall authorize the Registrar to issue Publication of monthly a journal of patented inventions as well as such reports of journal lists indexes patent cases decided by Courts of law and any other information *Ib. s. 40.* 25 relating to patents that he may deem generally useful or important.

(II) Provision shall be made by the Registrar for the keeping on sale of such publication and also of complete specifications of patents

for the time-being in force with their accompanying drawings if any. 111) The Registrar shall continue in such form as he may

- 30 deem expedient indexes and abridgments of specifications and shall from time to time prepare and publish such other indexes abridgments of specifications catalogues and other works relating to inventions as he may see fit.
- 68. After the grant of a patent for any important invention the Drawings and models 35 Registrar may require the patentee to furnish the Government with institutions. neat working models on a convenient scale and with suitable drawings of the invention for the use of such educational and other institutions as may be prescribed And the Minister shall fix the price to be paid
- for such models and drawings. 69. (1) A patent shall not prevent the use of the invention to Foreign vessels 40 which it relates on board any foreign vessel within the jurisdiction of within the juris-diction of the Colony. the Colony either for the purpose of the navigation thereof or for any  $I_{b. s. 43.}^{\text{diction of}}$  other purpose provided such invention is not used for or in connection with the manufacture or preparation of anything intended to be sold

45 n or exported from the Colony.

(II) But this section shall not extend to vessels of any foreign state in whose territories British subjects do not enjoy benefits in respect of the subject matter of this section.

70. No notice of any trust expressed implied or constructive Trust not to be 50 shall be entered in any register kept under this Act or be receivable entered in register. Ib. s. 85. by the Registrar.

71. Where a person becomes entitled by assignment transmission Entry of assignments or other operation of law to a patent or letter of registration or to the and transmissions in registers. copyright in a registered design the Registrar shall on request and on 16. s. 87.

55 proof of title to his satisfaction cause the name of such person to be entered as proprietor of the patent or letter of registration or the copyright in the design in the Register of Patents or in the Register of Designs as the case may be The person for the time-being entered

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in the Register of Patents or of Designs as proprietor of a patent or letter of registration or of copyright in a design as the case may be shall subject to any rights appearing from such register to be vested in any other person have power absolutely to assign grant licenses as

- 5 to or otherwise deal with the same and to give effectual receipts for any consideration for such assignment license or dealing Provided that any equities in respect of such patent or letter of registration or design may be enforced in like manner as in respect of any other personal property.
- 72. Permission to search for any entry in any Index Book kept Searching indexes. 10 under this Act may be obtained by making written application to the Registrar specifying the particulars required and paying the prescribed fee in respect of each entry for which search is made Such search may be conducted by an officer of the Department if the Registrar 15 considers that to be the most convenient course.

73. Every register kept under this Act shall be open to public Inspection of inspection at the times and in the manner prescribed Provided written registers application is made to the Registrar stating the entry or entries in <sup>1b. s. 88.</sup> respect of which the proposed search is to be instituted and that the 20 prescribed fee is paid for inspecting each such entry.

- 74. Printed or written copies or extracts purporting to be Sealed copies to be certified by the Registrar and sealed with the seal of the Patent Office *Ib.* s. 89. of or from patents specifications disclaimers and other documents in
- the Patent Office and of or from registers and other books kept there 25 shall be admitted in evidence in all Courts and in all proceedings without further proof or production of the originals Such documents when intended for use outside the Colony shall be endorsed by the Minister in the prescribed manner.
- 75. A certificate purporting to be under the hand of the Regis- Certificate of 30 trar as to any entry matter or thing which he is authorized by this Registrar to be evidence. Act or any general rules made thereunder to make or do shall be 16. s. 96. primá facie evidence of the facts stated in such certificate.

76. The Registrar may on request in writing accompanied by Power for Registrar the prescribed fee correct any clerical error in or in connection with an to correct clerical errors. 35 application for a patent or for registration of a design or correct any  $\frac{1}{16. \text{ s. 91.}}$  clerical error in the name style or address of the registered proprietor of a patent or design.

77. The Judge may on the application of any person aggrieved Rectification of by the omission of any name from any register kept under this Act or *Ib. s. 90.* 40 by any improper or erroneous entry in any such register make such

order for making expunging or varying the entry as he may think fit or may refuse the application and in either case may make such order with respect to the costs of the proceedings as he may think fit The Judge may in any proceeding under this section decide any question

- 45 necessary or proper to carry out any rectification of a register and may direct an issue to be tried for the decision of any question of fact and may award damages to the party aggrieved Any order of the Judge rectifying a register shall direct that due notice of the rectification be given to the Registrar.
- 50 78. If any person makes or causes to be made a false entry Falsification of in any register kept under this Act or a writing falsely purporting to <sup>entries in registers.</sup> be a copy of an entry in any such register or produces or tenders or causes to be produced or tendered in evidence any such writing knowing the entry or writing to be false he shall be guilty of a misdemeanor.
- 79. (1) The register of letters of registration and of proprietors Former registers to 55 thereof kept under the enactments repealed by this Act shall respec- be deemed continued, tively be deemed parts of the same book as the register of patents kept under this Act.

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(II) The registers of copyright in designs kept under the Acts hereby repealed shall be deemed a part of the same book as the register of copyright in designs kept under this Act.

(III) All records documents or other things used in the 5 administration of the "Letters of Registration (Inventions) Act' sixteenth Victoria number twenty-four or of Part III (Designs) of the "Copyright Act 1879" forty-second Victoria number twenty shall be transferred to the Patent Office Provided that if in any case it should not be practicable to so transfer original books or documents 10 certified copies thereof may be supplied instead.

80. Where any discretionary power is by this Act given to the Exercise of dis-Registrar he shall not exercise that power adversely to the applicant cretionary power for a patent or for amendment of a specification or for registration of Ib. s. 94. a design until (if so required by the applicant within the prescribed

15 time) such applicant shall have been afforded an opportunity either personally or by his agent of submitting documentary evidence or offering verbal explanations.

81. In all other respects than as regards the payment of fees Applications in applications that are in progress but have not been finally dealt with progress on passing of

- 20 on the passing of this Act may on the petition of the applicant to the Registrar in the prescribed form be dealt with as applications under this Act or the procedure under this Act may be partially applied to such applications as the Registrar may think fit.
- 82. (I) Any application notice or other document authorized Applications and 25 or required by this Act or the regulations to be left made or given at notices by post. the Patent Office or to the Registrar or to any other person may be <sup>1b. s. 97</sup>. sent by a letter through the post and if so sent shall be deemed to have been left made or given respectively at the time when the letter containing the same would be delivered in the ordinary course of post.
- 30 (II) In proving the service or sending of any letter it shall be sufficient to prove that the letter was properly addressed and put into the post.

83. Whenever by this Act or the regulations thereunder any-Provision as to thing is required to be done on a date which falls on a Sunday or a holidays.

35 day proclaimed as a public holiday for the whole Colony or for the locality in which the act is to be done under the "Bank Holidays Act 1875" (thirty-ninth Victoria number two) or the "Civil Service Act 1884" (forty-eighth Victoria number twenty-four) such act may be performed on the next day and if that is also a holiday on the next 40 day which is not a holiday.

84. If any person is by reason of infancy lunacy or other Declaration by disability incapable of making any declaration or doing anything infant lunatic &c. required or permitted by this Act or prescribed by regulations there. Ib. s. 99. under the guardian or committee (if any) of such person or if there be

- 45 none any person appointed by the Judge exercising Jurisdiction in Lunacy upon a petition presented to him on behalf of such incapable person or of any other person interested in making such declaration or doing such thing may make such declaration or a declaration as nearly corresponding thereto as circumstances permit and do such thing in
- 50 the name and on behalf of such incapable person And all acts done by such substitute shall for the purposes of this Act be as effectual as if done by the person for whom he is substituted.

85. There shall be maintained in connection with the Patent Library. Office a library of specifications of and indexes to Imperial Colonial 55 and other patents and of scientific works and periodicals of a kind to aid the officers in the discharge of their duties and to serve the purposes of inventors and others seeking for information of a scientific character.

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86. All fees fines penalties and other moneys arising under Collections-how this Act shall be received by the Registrar and shall be paid by him dealt with. into the Treasury for the credit of the Consolidated Revenue Fund or of the Trust Moneys Deposit Account as the case may require.

87. The Governor may frame regulations dealing with any Power to make 5 or all of the following matters or any other matters affecting the general rules for administration of this Act and such regulations may provide for their and regulating enforcement under penalties in no case to exceed ten pounds and to be business of Patent summarily recoverable before a Stipendiary Magistrate and copies of *Ib. s. 101.* 

- 10 all such regulations shall be laid before both Houses of Parliament Regulations to have within twenty-one days if Parliament be then sitting and if Parliament the force of law. be not then sitting then within twenty-one days after the commencement of the next ensuing Session thereof and if not disallowed by resolution of both Houses within twenty-one days of their being
- 15 so laid before Parliament such regulations shall have the force of law and shall thereupon be published in the Gazette for general information.

(I) For regulating the practice of registration under this Act.

- (II) For prescribing such fees as may be fixed by this Act or the regulations thereunder in respect of proceedings under this Act and for determining the time and mode of payment of such fees and for the registration of the addresses of patentees their legal representatives and of factories and establishments in which patented inventions are manufactured.
- (III) For classifying goods for the purposes of designs.
  - (Iv) For securing and regulating the publishing and selling at such prices and in such manner as he shall think fit of copies of specifications drawings amendments indexes and other documents connected with patents and designs.
- (v) For securing and regulating the making printing publishing and selling of indexes to and abridgements of specifications and other documents in the Patent Office and providing for the inspection of indexes and abridgments and other documents.
- (VI) For regulating the presentation of copies of Patent Office publications to patentees and to public authorities bodies and institutions in this Colony and elsewhere.
  - (VII) For regulating the Patent Office Library.
- (VIII) Generally for regulating the business of the Patent Office
- and all things by this Act placed under the direction or control of the Registrar.

88. The Registrar shall before the first day of July in every Annual report. year after the passing of this Act prepare a report in the prescribed 16. e. 102. form of all matters done under the authority of this Act and such

45 report shall be submitted to the Minister and by him be laid before both Houses of Parliament.

# Offences.

89. (I) The fact of any article having been protected by patent Penalties. in this Colony may be indicated by marking the article in this form 50 "Patent N. S. W. 1886" Any person applying any such mark or causing it to be applied to any article for which such patent has not been granted or for which the patent right has expired or has been determined shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and shall be liable at the instance of the Registrar for every offence on summary conviction 55 before any Stipendiary or Police Magistrate to a fine not exceeding And no person shall knowingly sell or have for sale or fifty pounds advertise for sale or profess to keep for sale any article to which such mark has been so applied after such conviction under a like penalty Provided

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Provided that the Registrar may if he finds it more convenient proceed against such person as is last mentioned instead of against the person who unauthorizedly applied the patent mark or is supposed to have done so.

5 (II) Any person falsely or fraudulently applying the word "patent" or "patented" or "registered" or any word or words of like import to indicate that such article has been protected in this Colony by letters of registration granted before the passing of this Act or by patent or is protected elsewhere by any form of patent or registration

- 10 shall be liable for each offence to a fine not exceeding fifty pounds to be recovered at the instance of the person affected thereby or his representative on summary conviction before any Stipendiary or Police Magistrate And any person knowingly selling or exposing or offering or advertising for sale or professing to keep for sale any article
- 15 to which such word or words are so applied shall be liable for each offence to a fine not exceeding twenty-five pounds to be recovered in like manner.

# Patent Agents.

- 90. At any time after the passing of this Act the Minister How licensed. 20 may grant a license to practice as a Patent Agent within the Colony of New South Wales to any person applying for such license and giving satisfactory proof of his fitness to discharge the necessary duties on payment of the prescribed fee Such license may be renewed by the Minister on application in like manner on first July annually
- 25 Any Patent Agent who has not obtained a renewal of his license at that date may nevertheless with the consent of the Registrar prosecute any case already initiated in the Patent Office before that date.

91. The Registrar may refuse to recognize as a Patent Agent Persons practising as rson acting in that capacity without a license. 92. A Patent Agent shall in each case in which he is employed Authority to act in any person acting in that capacity without a license.

- 30 lodge with the Registrar a writing under the hand of the applicant each case authorizing such agent to sign papers and to act generally on behalf of such applicant in relation to the application and the Registrar may recognise such Patent Agent to such extent as he may deem fit in the
- 35 progress of each such case A Patent Agent so recognised may sign any documents in connection with the application except the application itself and the papers and drawings relating to it The Registrar shall not be obliged to recognise the agent and the principal at the same time but may deal with whichever of them he thinks fit He
- 40 may also recognise as an agent for the applicant any person duly appointed to act in that capacity although such person is not a licensed Patent Agent.

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- duly recorded and the refusal itself shall be subject to the approval of the Minister Patent Agents must conform to the prescribed rules under penalty of being struck off the roll.
- 94. Licensed Patent Agents shall not be obliged in any legal Patent Agent not to 50 proceedings to divulge the secrets of their clients in any circumstances divulge secrets of his clients. in which solicitors or attorneys would be exempt from such obligation and if any person shall at any time disclose any such secrets which have become known to him while he was a licensed patent agent without the consent of his client he shall be liable to a penalty not 55 exceeding fifty pounds.

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