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, 20th October, 1898. JOHN J. CALVERT, Clerk of the Parliaments.

New Zouth Wales.



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VICTORIÆ REGINÆ.

Act No. , 1898.

An Act to amend the Sydney Corporation Act of 1879 by providing for the election of the Mayor, and for the triennial retirement and election of Aldermen.

DE it 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. This Act may be cited as the "Sydney Corporation Act short title.

Amendment Act of 1898."

2. Sections six, sixteen, twenty, and thirty-three of the Sydney Repeal.

Corporation Act of 1879 are hereby repealed.

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Sydney Corporation Act Amendment.

- 3. On and after the first day of December next, the Municipal Municipal Council. Council of the City of Sydney (hereinafter termed the Council) shall consist of the Mayor and Aldermen elected as hereinafter provided. There shall be three Aldermen for each ward. Any citizen capable of 5 voting for the election of Aldermen, and not disqualified under the provisions of the Sydney Corporation Act of 1879, shall be eligible for election as Alderman.
- 4. At noon on the ninth day of December in each year the Election of Mayor. Aldermen shall assemble at the Town Hall for the purpose of electing 10 a Mayor of the City for the forthcoming year. The Mayor shall be a fit person elected from the Aldermen or persons qualified to be such. The Mayor shall enter into office on the first day of January next following his election, and shall hold office until the thirty-first day of December following, and shall be eligible for re-election if still 15 qualified.

5. Notwithstanding anything contained in the Sydney Corpo-Retirement of ration Act of 1879, the whole of the present Aldermen of the City of present Aldermen. Sydney shall retire from the Council on the thirtieth day of November next, but shall be eligible for re-election.

20 6. The Aldermen shall be elected for a term of three years Election of and shall then retire together, and their places shall be filled by a new election. The retiring Aldermen shall be eligible for re-election if still qualified in other respects.

7. The first general election of Aldermen under this Act shall Date of elections. 25 be held on the first day of December next, and subsequent general elections every third year thereafter. The Mayor, or if he be a candidate for election, the Town Clerk shall be Returning Officer at Returning Officer. all elections.

8. Every election for Mayor or Aldermen shall be held before Presiding Officers. 30 such citizens as Presiding Officers as the Returning Officer shall in writing under his hand appoint. If any such officer be prevented from attending by unavoidable accident a substitute, with like powers, may be appointed in his place.

9. At every election of Aldermen every voter shall vote for Mode of voting. 35 the full number of Aldermen to be elected for the ward, otherwise the vote shall be rejected as informal.