

No. XXIII.

ESCAPED CONVICTS.

An Act to further continue for a limited time an Act intituled “*An Act to facilitate the apprehension of transported Felons and Offenders illegally at large and of Persons found with Arms and suspected to be Robbers.*” [26th May, 1842.]

Preamble.

WHEREAS an Act of the Governor and Legislative Council of New South Wales was passed in the fifth year of the reign of His late 5 William IV. No. 9. Majesty King William the Fourth intituled “*An Act to facilitate the apprehension of transported Felons and Offenders illegally at large and of Persons found with Arms and suspected to be Robbers*” which said Act was by a certain other Act of the said Governor and Council passed in the sixth year of the reign of His said late Majesty intituled 6 William IV. No. 17. “*An Act to continue for a limited time an Act intituled ‘An Act to facilitate the apprehension of transported Felons and Offenders illegally at large and of Persons found with Arms and suspected to be Robbers’*” continued until the thirty-first day of August one thousand eight hundred and thirty-eight and whereas the said first recited Act was by a certain other Act of the said Governor and Council passed in the first year of the reign of Her present Majesty Queen 1 Victoria No. 2. Victoria intituled “*An Act further to continue for a limited time an Act intituled ‘An Act to facilitate the apprehension of transported Felons and Offenders illegally at large and of Persons found with Arms and suspected to be Robbers’*” continued in force except as to so much thereof as relates to the time of passing and execution of any sentence of death as therein is mentioned until the thirty-first day of August one thousand eight hundred and forty which said last mentioned Act was by a certain other Act of the said Governor and Council passed in the third year of the reign of Her said present Majesty Queen Victoria intituled “*An Act to further continue for a limited time an Act intituled ‘An Act to facilitate the apprehension of transported Felons and Offenders illegally at large and of Persons found with Arms and suspected to be Robbers’*” continued until the thirty-first day of August one thousand eight hundred and forty-two and it is expedient further to continue the said first recited Act in manner and to the extent hereinafter provided Be it therefore enacted by His Excellency the Governor of New South Wales with the advice of the Legislative Council thereof That the said first recited Act of His said late Majesty shall be and the same is hereby continued in force except as to so much thereof as relates to the time of passing and execution of any sentence of death as therein is mentioned from and after the said thirty-first day of August one thousand eight hundred and forty-two until the thirty-first day of August one thousand eight hundred and forty-four.

Continued for two years.

As to persons apprehended without the Police District of Sydney.

2. Provided always and be it enacted That nothing in the said first recited Act or in this Act contained shall be deemed to authorize any Justice of the Peace to cause any person to be removed to Sydney to be examined unless such person shall have been apprehended within the Police District of Sydney or information shall have been given on oath by some credible witness before such Justice that there is strong ground for suspecting such person to be a transported felon or offender illegally at large.