

No. X.

COLONIAL
DISTILLATION.

An Act to amend an Act intituled “*An Act to consolidate and amend the Laws for the distillation of Spirits in the Colony of New South Wales and for the issue of Licenses for distilling rectifying and compounding Spirits therein and for repealing certain Laws relating thereto.*” [13th December, 1844.]

Preamble.

WHEREAS it has been ascertained that a certain chemical matter known as Naphtha commonly called Spirit of Coal Tar is of advantage in the increase and improvement of light produced from coal gas and whereas such Naphtha or Spirit of Coal Tar cannot be produced without using a still and other apparatus used and employed in the process of Distillation and whereas the issue of a license for such purpose would be contrary to the provisions of an Act intituled “*An Act to consolidate and amend the Laws for the distillation of Spirits in the Colony of New South Wales and for the issue of Licenses for distilling rectifying and compounding Spirits therein and for repealing certain Laws relating thereto*” and it is expedient to amend the said Act in that respect Be it therefore enacted by His Excellency the Governor of New South Wales with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council thereof That it shall and may be lawful for the Colonial Treasurer or other person appointed for that purpose by the Governor of the said Colony to issue a license free of all charge to keep and use a still of not more than ten gallons content to a certain company known as “The Australian Gas Light Company” or to any other company or individual manufacturing coal gas for public use in lighting any city or town within the Colony aforesaid upon being applied to for that purpose by the said Gas Light Company or by any other company or person or persons manufacturing gas for the purpose aforesaid and to be used only on the premises where the manufacture of coal gas is carried on Provided that every such company or person wishing to keep such still shall notify their or his intention so to do to the Colonial Treasurer or other person appointed as aforesaid who shall thereupon require such company or person to give bond with two sufficient sureties in the sum of two hundred pounds that any such company or person will not make use of such still or suffer it to be made use of except for the preparation of naphtha or spirit of coal tar or other articles required *bona fide* for the purpose aforesaid and every such company or person found to have in their or his possession any still without having entered into such bond and obtained such license shall forfeit and pay not less than one hundred pounds nor more than five hundred pounds.

License to use a still of not more than ten gallons content may be issued free of charge to persons intending to manufacture naphtha.

License to keep a still of not more than eight gallons content may be issued to persons intending to use the same for scientific purposes to be particularly expressed.

2. And be it enacted That it shall be lawful for the Colonial Treasurer or other person appointed as aforesaid in his discretion as he shall see fit to issue a license free of all charge to any person applying for the same to keep and use on his premises a still of not more than eight gallons content for any scientific purpose to be particularly specified in such application Provided that every person wishing to keep such still shall notify his intention so to do to the Colonial Treasurer or other person appointed as aforesaid who shall thereupon require such person to enter into bond with two sufficient sureties that he will not make use of such still or suffer it to be made use of except for

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for such scientific purpose as shall have been particularly specified in such application and every person found to have in his possession any such still without having entered into such bond and obtained a license shall forfeit and pay not less than one hundred pounds nor more than five hundred pounds.

3. And be it enacted That all fines penalties and forfeitures Recovery and appro-
under this Act shall be recovered and applied in like manner as is priation of penalties
directed by the said recited Act.
