

No. V.

An Act for punishing criminally Drivers of Stage STAGE CARRIAGES.
Coaches and Carriages for accidents occa-
sioned by their wilful misconduct. [12th
July, 1849.]

WHEREAS by an Act passed by the Governor and Legislative Coun- Preamble.
cil of New South Wales in the sixth year of the reign of His late
Majesty King William the Fourth intituled “*An Act for regulating*” 6 Wil. IV. No. 2.
Stage Carriages in New South Wales” And whereas it is expedient
to extend the provisions of the said recited Act and to punish crimi-
nally coachmen or other persons driving stage coaches or other public
carriages

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Persons occasioning accidents by furious driving &c. declared guilty of a misdemeanor.

carriages carrying passengers for hire for accidents occasioned by the careless or furious driving or other wilful misconduct of such coachmen or other persons hereinafter mentioned Be it therefore enacted by His Excellency the Governor of New South Wales with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council thereof That if any person whatever shall be maimed or otherwise injured by reason of the careless or furious driving or of the racing or other wilful misconduct of any coachman or other person driving any stage coach or other public carriage carrying passengers for hire such careless or furious driving or racing or other wilful misconduct of such coachman or other person shall be and the same is hereby declared to be a misdemeanor and shall be punishable as such by fine and imprisonment.

Act not to affect the right to recover damages.

2. Provided always and be it enacted That nothing herein contained shall be deemed to affect the right of any person to recover by action at law damages for any injury committed as aforesaid.
