

No. XXIV.

An Act to increase the Duties on Spirits. [10th SPRINT DUTIES. *November, 1854.]*

WHEREAS it is expedient to increase the Duties granted on Preamble. Spirits by the several Acts of the Governor and Council of this Colony passed in the sixteenth year of Her Majesty's reign and numbered respectively seven and nine Be it therefore enacted by His Excellency the Governor of New South Wales by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council thereof as follows:—

1. In lieu of the Duties of Customs upon imported Spirits Duties on imported Spirits increased. granted by the first above recited Act of Council there shall henceforth be payable the several Duties of Customs following that is to say—

Upon Spirits or Strong Waters of the strength of proof by Sykes' Hydrometer and so in proportion for any greater or less strength at the following rates for every gallon—

Brandy	nine shillings
Gin	nine shillings
Whiskey	six shillings
Rum and all other Spirits...	six shillings

Upon Perfumed Spirits of whatever strength in bottles for every gallon six shillings

Upon all Spirits Liqueurs Cordials Brandied Fruits or Strong Waters respectively sweetened or mixed with any article so that the degree of strength thereof cannot be ascertained by Sykes' Hydrometer at the rate for every gallon nine shillings.

2. In lieu of the Duties upon Colonial Spirits granted by the Duties on Colonial Spirits increased. Act of Council secondly above mentioned there shall henceforth be payable on all Spirits made or distilled in this Colony or its Dependencies a Duty of five shillings and eight-pence for every gallon thereof of the strength of proof by Sykes' Hydrometer and so in proportion for every greater or less strength.

3. This Act shall be construed with the said recited Acts This Act to be construed with 16 Vic. Nos. 7 and 9. respectively in the same manner as if the respective Duties hereby granted had been named therein instead of the several Duties in those Acts respectively mentioned.