

No. XVII.

GOLD DUTY. An Act for granting a Duty upon Gold. [12th February, 1857.]

Interpretation of terms.

WHEREAS it is expedient to levy a Duty upon Gold in New South Wales Be it therefore enacted by the Queen's Most Excellent Majesty by and with the advice of the Legislative Council and Legislative Assembly of New South Wales in Parliament assembled and by the authority of the same as follows:—

1. For the purposes of this Act the term "Gold" shall mean and include Gold in its natural state whether mixed with any other substance or not Gold Dust and all other Gold whether wrought or unwrought except coined Gold issued from the Royal Mint at London or of the Branch thereof at Sydney or of any Foreign State articles of plate jewellery or

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or ornament actually worn upon the person or made elsewhere than in the Colony.

The verb "export" shall mean and include transmission or removal from New South Wales whether by sea or land.

2. From and after the fifteenth day of February now next there ^{Duty upon Gold.} shall be levied collected and paid to Her Majesty Her Heirs and Successors for the public uses of this Colony and in support of the Government thereof the following Duties upon Gold that is to say—

At the Customs previous to exportation from New South Wales ^{At Customs 2s. 6d.} the sum of Two Shillings and Sixpence upon every ounce ^{per ounce.} troy weight of such Gold.

At the Royal Mint at Sydney on Gold imported thereto on and ^{At Mint 2s. 3d. per ounce standard.} after the fifteenth day of February aforesaid the sum of Two Shillings and Three-pence for every ounce troy weight of standard fineness as declared after the said Gold shall have been assayed and brought to the standard of twenty-two carats fine at the said Mint.

3. Provided always that at the Customs no Gold entered for ^{Customs Duty not} exportation shall be liable to duty which shall be accompanied by a ^{leviable on assayed} Certificate from the Deputy Master or one of the Principal Officers of ^{duty-paid Gold} the Royal Mint at Sydney declaring that such Gold has been assayed ^{issued from the Mint.} and brought to standard and that the Duty thereon has been paid and the same has been issued from the said Mint in conformity with the Rules and Regulations thereof.

4. Provided also that such Duty shall not be payable at the ^{Not to apply to Gold} said Royal Mint at Sydney upon Gold the produce of any other of Her ^{of other Colonies} Majesty's Australasian Colonies which shall be duly imported to the ^{brought for coinage} said Mint under the Seal of the Customs of such other Australasian ^{to the Mint through} Colony and under the Certificate of one of the Principal Officers of ^{the Customs.} the Customs thereat signifying that such Gold was exported therefrom in conformity with the Laws and Regulations thereof.