

No. XVIII.

An Act to enable Coroners to admit to Bail BAIL BY CORONERS. persons charged with Manslaughter. [7th May, 1861.]

WHEREAS inconvenience and expense are occasioned by the Preamble.
inability of Coroners to admit to Bail persons charged with
Manslaughter by the verdict of a Coroner's Jury. Be it therefore
enacted by the Queen's Most Excellent Majesty by and with the advice
and consent of the Legislative Council and Legislative Assembly of
New South Wales in Parliament assembled and by the authority of
the same as follows:—

1. Whenever a Coroner's Jury shall have found a verdict of Manslaughter against any person the Coroner before whom the Inquest was taken may accept Bail if he shall think fit with good and sufficient sureties for the appearance of the person so charged to take his trial for such offence at such Court and on such day as the Attorney General for the Colony shall specify under his hand by indorsement on the recognizance and of which the person so charged and his sureties shall have notice. And thereupon such person if in custody of any officer of the Coroner's Court or in any gaol under any warrant of commitment for such offence shall be discharged therefrom.

2. Such Coroner shall in every such case cause recognizances to be taken in the form of the Schedule hereto and shall give a notice thereof to every person so bound and shall return such recognizances to the Court before whom such person is to be tried.

3. At any time after the depositions of witnesses shall have been taken the Coroner shall transmit a true copy thereof certified under his hand to the Attorney General. And every person against whom

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whom such verdict shall have been found by a Coroner's Jury shall be entitled to have copies of such depositions from the person having custody thereof on payment of a reasonable sum for the same not exceeding the rate of four-pence for every folio of ninety words.

Short title.

4. This Act shall be styled and may be cited as the "Coroners' Bail for Manslaughter Act of 1861."

SCHEDULE.

BE it remembered That on the day of in the year of our Lord
 A. B. of [laborer] L. M. of [grocer] and N. O. of [butcher]
 personally came before me one of Her Majesty's Coroners for and severally
 acknowledged themselves to owe to our Lady the Queen the several sums following that is
 to say the said A. B. the sum of and the said L. M. and N. O. the sum of
 each of good and lawful money of Great Britain to be made and levied of their
 goods and chattels lands and tenements respectively to the use of our said Lady the Queen
 Her Heirs and Successors if he the said A. B. fail in the condition hereunder written.

Taken and acknowledged the day and year first above mentioned at
 before me.

J. S.
 Coroner for the [County] of

CONDITION.

The condition of the above-written recognizance is such That whereas a verdict of
 Manslaughter has been found against the said A. B. by a Jury impanelled to inquire how
 and by what means came by [his] death if therefore the said A. B. shall
 appear at the Court and at the time to be heron indorsed by the Attorney General for the
 Colony and of which the said A. B. L. M. and N. O. shall have notice there and then
 surrender himself into the custody of the Keeper of the Gaol there and plead to such
 inquisition or any information which may be duly filed against him for the said offence and
 take his trial upon the same and not depart the said Court without leave then the said
 recognizance shall be void or else the same shall stand in full force and virtue.