

## No. VIII.

PUBLIC EXHIBITIONS  
ACT AMENDMENT.An Act to amend an Act intituled "An Act to amend the Law for regulating places of Public Exhibition and Entertainment."  
[26th February, 1873.]

Preamble.

WHEREAS it is expedient to amend the Act of Council fourteenth Victoria number twenty-three intituled "*An Act to amend the law regulating places of Public Exhibition and Entertainment*" in order that grants of general licenses to give public exhibitions and entertainments may subject to the conditions and provisions hereinafter specified and declared be authorized to be issued as hereinafter provided 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:—

Short title &amp;c.

1. This Act shall be read with and as forming part of the Act of Council fourteenth Victoria number twenty-three intituled "*An Act to amend the law for regulating places of Public Exhibition and Entertainment*" hereinafter termed the "Principal Act" and may be cited as the "Public Exhibitions Act Amendment Act of 1873."

General licenses may  
be granted and  
revoked by the  
Colonial Secretary.

2. Notwithstanding anything in the said Principal Act contained it shall be lawful for the Colonial Secretary for the time-being to grant from time to time to such person or persons as he may think fit a general license to give public exhibitions and entertainments at any place or places within the Colony (not being within the corporate boundaries of the city of Sydney) for such a period and under such conditions and restrictions as shall be specified in such general license And it shall be lawful for the said Colonial Secretary at any time to revoke and cancel any such general license for any cause which may appear to him sufficient in that behalf.

Validation of general  
licenses heretofore  
granted under  
Principal Act.

3. All general licenses subsisting at the time of the passing of this Act purporting to have been granted by the Colonial Secretary in pursuance of the provisions of the said Principal Act shall be deemed to have been lawfully granted thereunder and shall be for the respective periods specified in such general licenses as valid and effectual to all intents and purposes as if the same had been granted under this Act.

Form of general  
licenses.

4. All general licenses authorized by this Act shall be granted according to the form of the Schedule hereto.

## SCHEDULE.

*General License.*

WHEREAS by an Act of the Governor and Legislative Council of New South Wales passed in the fourteenth year of the reign of Her present Majesty Queen Victoria intituled "*An Act to amend the Law for regulating places of Public Exhibition and Entertainment*" certain penalties and liabilities are imposed in respect of and in relation to the Theatrical Entertainments and Exhibitions hereinafter particularly mentioned to which admission shall or may be procured by payment of money or by tickets or by any other means token or consideration as the price hire or rent of admission in case the theatre house room building garden or place wherein the same shall be acted represented performed or exhibited shall be without the written authority or license of the Colonial Secretary And whereas by an Act of Council passed in the thirty-sixth year of the reign of Her said Majesty intituled "*An Act to amend an Act intituled 'An Act to amend the Law for regulating places of Public Exhibition and Entertainment'*" it was enacted

*Matrimonial Causes.*

enacted that it should be lawful for the Colonial Secretary for the time-being to grant general licenses to give public exhibitions and entertainments as therein provided And whereas

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has applied to me to grant him a general license and authority to give public exhibitions and entertainments in the said Colony under and in pursuance of the provisions of the said Acts Now I the Honorable

Esquire Colonial Secretary for the time-being of the Colony of New South Wales in virtue of the power and authority vested in me by the said Acts do hereby grant unto the said

a general license and authority to give public exhibitions and entertainments in the said Colony (save and except within the City of Sydney) subject to the approval of the local Benches of Magistrates of the several districts in which the performance shall take place and in any district so approved by the Bench as aforesaid it shall be lawful for him to act represent or perform or cause to be acted represented or performed for hire gain or reward on such day or days in every week as he may think proper (save and except Sunday Good Friday and Christmas Day) any interlude tragedy opera comedy stage-play farce burletta melo-drama pantomime or any stage-dancing tumbling or horsemanship or any other entertainment of the stage whatsoever licensed to be performed at any theatre in England or in the representation of which express permission in writing shall have been given by the Colonial Secretary for the time-being And I declare and direct that this license continue in force for the period of unless the same shall be the sooner revoked by the Colonial Secretary for the time-being of the said Colony But if the Colonial Secretary for the time-being shall by reason of any irregularity or upon any ground appearing to him sufficient in that behalf see fit to revoke this license the same shall thereupon cease to have any force or effect and shall be considered as no longer subsisting And it is further provided that this license shall come into operation only on the approval of the Bench of Magistrates of the place or district in which the performance shall take place such approval to be signified by endorsement on the license signed by two or more of the resident Justices who will fix and specify in such endorsement the time and place for holding the entertainment.

Given under my hand at the Colonial Secretary's Office at Sydney  
this                      day of                      in the year  
of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and seventy

Colonial Secretary.