

## No. IX.

CENTENARY  
CELEBRATION.

### An Act to make provision for the fitting celebration of the Hundredth Anniversary of the Foundation of the Colony and for other purposes connected therewith. [13th July, 1887.]

Preamble.

WHEREAS the appropriation of sites suitable for the purposes of a Public Park (hereinafter referred to as the "Centennial Park") and for the erection of a Building (hereinafter referred to as the "State House") to be devoted to the objects hereinafter specified would be a fitting method of commemorating the Hundredth Anniversary of the Foundation of this Colony And whereas for the carrying out of such objects and in order that the said Park should be opened and the Foundation Stone of the said Building should be laid on such anniversary it is expedient that authority for the appropriation of such sites together with certain necessary provisions in connection therewith as hereinafter set forth should be sanctioned by Parliament 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 and interpretation of terms.

1. This Act may be cited as the "Centenary Celebration Act" and in its construction the expression "Governor" means the Governor with the advice of the Executive Council—"Chief Minister" means the member of the Executive Council for the time being commissioned to form an Administration and his successors being members of the said Council and similarly commissioned.

Resumption of lands.

2. Upon the passing of this Act and notwithstanding anything contained in any Statute or in any dedication or notification purporting to vest the lands hereafter referred to or any part thereof in any corporation or persons or to charge or in any way encumber or deal with the same the portions of land described in the Schedules hereto shall together with all buildings or structures that may be now or hereafter erected thereon and the collections deposited therein vest in the Chief Minister and his successors for ever on behalf of Her Majesty for

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for the purposes of this Act for an estate in fee simple in possession freed and discharged from all trusts obligations estates interests contracts charges securities taxes rates rights-of-way or other easements whatsoever and to the intent that the legal estate therein together with all powers incident thereto or conferred by this Act shall be vested in the Chief Minister And for the purposes of facilitating proceedings in carrying out this Act and giving effect to its provisions generally the Chief Minister shall be a corporation sole and may by that name sue and be sued plead and be impleaded answer and be answered unto defend and be defended and take any legal proceedings in all Courts and places whatsoever with power to hold lands for the purposes of this Act to sell and dispose of lands as hereinafter provided and to give effectual discharges to purchasers thereof and to set apart any portions for roads avenues or for rail or tramways or for lakes ponds or other ornamental purposes.

3. The lands so vested shall be appropriated and applied to the respective purposes hereinafter set forth— Purposes for which lands are resumed.

(a) A suitable portion shall be set apart for the erection thereon according to a plan to be approved by the Governor of a Building commemorative of the Hundredth Anniversary of the Foundation of the Colony And such building (to be designated "The State House") shall be designed and constructed so as to provide—

A great Hall or Amphitheatre (to be designated "The Phillip Hall") for the holding of national assemblages and commemorative celebrations and services of a national or special character

A museum (to be designated "The Carrington Institute") where shall be deposited as they can be collected all books documents maps printed or written matter and reliques as may be illustrative of the historical material and industrial stages of the Colony's progress and of the various aboriginal races of Australia their customs languages and ethnological characteristics

A gallery for the reception of statues or pictures of the Governors of the Colony and other persons whose names are honourably associated with the Colony

A Public Mausoleum for the interment of those who have been honoured by a public funeral pursuant to a resolution of both Houses of Parliament

(b) A portion not being less in area than six hundred and forty acres shall be set apart by the Governor as a Public Park Such park shall be designated "The Centennial Park" and shall be laid out according to plans to be approved by the Governor but so that the same may be opened to the public on the twenty-sixth day of January one thousand eight hundred and eighty-eight

(c) After such portions have been so set apart the remainder of the lands so vested shall be laid out in building sites and sold or leased by public auction in such areas at such times and subject to such conditions and provisions (including if necessary the description of buildings to be erected thereon) as the Governor may prescribe

And it shall be lawful for the Chief Minister notwithstanding anything in this or any other Act contained to convey the same to the purchasers thereof in such manner and subject to such conditions as the Governor may direct and the proceeds of all such sales or leases shall be paid by the purchasers to the Colonial Treasurer and shall be by him carried to the credit of the Consolidated Revenue Fund.

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Effect of sale or  
lease on lands  
resumed by this Act

4. Upon the sale or other disposition of any land being portion of the lands described in the Schedules to this Act no trust obligation estate interest contract charge security right-of-way or other easement from which such land pursuant to section two of this Act is expressed to be freed and discharged upon the vesting of such land in the Chief Minister shall by reason of such sale or disposition be deemed to revive Provided that for all purposes of taxation and rating whether public or municipal all lands so sold or demised shall be liable in the same way as ordinary lands alienated by the Crown.

Appropriation of  
£200,000 for pur-  
poses of Act.

5. For the construction of the State House and of the approaches thereto and of all suitable offices in connection therewith and for the laying out planting and enclosure of the Centennial Park and for all necessary works in connection therewith the sum of two hundred thousand pounds sterling is hereby appropriated from the Consolidated Revenue Fund which sum shall be payable by the Colonial Treasurer in such manner and subject to such conditions as the Governor may determine.

Annual appropria-  
tion.

6. In addition to the said sum of two hundred thousand pounds hereby appropriated a sum not exceeding three thousand pounds to be payable out of the said last-mentioned fund may in each and every year beginning with the year one thousand eight hundred and eighty-eight be expended by the Chief Minister subject to the approval of the Governor for the purpose of procuring collections to be deposited in the various departments of the State House and for their due preservation and exhibition Provided that an account of all purchases made by such Minister in each year shall be laid before Parliament.

Appointment of  
Boards Officers &c.

7. The Governor on the recommendation of the Chief Minister may appoint such Boards of Advice (without remuneration) and may also appoint at such annual salaries or other remuneration as Parliament may sanction such custodians and other officers and servants as he may think necessary for the purposes of this Act and for the due preservation and maintenance of the State House and its collections and of the Centennial Park.

Minister may accept  
gifts bequests &c.

8. The Chief Minister may accept from any person desirous of dedicating or from the representatives of any person who has bequeathed any books pictures documents plans reliques or other things fit in the opinion of such Minister to be deposited in the State House and all such gifts shall when practicable be inscribed with the names of the donors but in all other respects shall be treated in the same manner as if they had been acquired by purchase for the purposes of this Act.

Gratuitous use of  
Park &c.

9. No money shall be demanded for entrance to the Centennial Park or State House and the same shall be deemed to be "public places" Provided that the public right of using such places shall be subject to such regulations as the Governor may think proper to adopt.

All collections  
property of Minister.

10. All collections and articles purchased by given or bequeathed to the Chief Minister for the purposes of this Act or being within or upon the premises or lands by this Act vested in the Chief Minister may for the purposes of all legal proceedings be described as the property of the Chief Minister.

Regulations.

11. It shall be lawful for the Governor to frame regulations (which may be enforced by penalties to be summarily recoverable and in no case to exceed fifty pounds for any single breach thereof) for the maintenance of orderly conduct by persons resorting to or using the Centennial Park or State House or any part thereof and for the management and protection thereof Every such regulation when published in the *Gazette* shall have the full force of law and shall be construed cumulatively with and not as in substitution of any other law.

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## SCHEDULES.

## SCHEDULE A.

## PART OF PERMANENT COMMON.

*Description for Resumption.*

County of Cumberland parish of Alexandria area about twenty-five acres Commencing at the easternmost corner of a portion of twenty-nine acres twenty perches set apart for a Volunteer Rifle Range for Sydney and bounded thence by a line bearing north thirty-one degrees thirty minutes east to the southern side of Park Road thence by part of that side of that road easterly to the eastern boundary of the four hundred and ninety acres dedicated for a Permanent Common on fifth October one thousand eight hundred and sixty-six thence by that boundary southerly to the eastern side of the Randwick Road thence by that side of that road northerly two chains seventy links thence by a line bearing south seventy-six degrees east six chains fifteen links thence by a line bearing north forty degrees east twenty chains seventy-five links thence by a line bearing north sixty-eight degrees west to the eastern side of the Randwick Road aforesaid thence by part of that side of that road northerly to a point where a line parallel to and rectangularly distant one chain twenty-one links from the last described boundary would intersect that road thence by that line bearing south sixty-eight degrees east to the intersection of the north-easterly prolongation of the afore described boundary which bears north forty degrees east thence by a line bearing north forty degrees east nine chains thence by a line bearing north thirty-one degrees thirty minutes east four chains eighty links thence by a line bearing north fifty-eight degrees thirty minutes west to a fence which forms a south-eastern boundary of the Pastoral and Agricultural Society's grounds thence by that fence and the fence forming the eastern boundary of that land and a line in prolongation north-easterly and northerly to the south-eastern boundary of the Volunteer Rifle Range aforesaid and thence by that boundary north-easterly to the point of commencement Being part of the four hundred and ninety acres dedicated for a Permanent Common on fifth October one thousand eight hundred and sixty-six All the above stated bearings are from the true meridian.

## SCHEDULE B.

## WATER RESERVE.

*Description for Resumption.*

County of Cumberland parish of Alexandria area seven hundred and sixty-seven acres Commencing on the southern side of the Old South Head Road at the north-west corner of a portion of three roods eight perches which forms part of St. James' Glebe and bounded thence on the east and north by the western and southern boundaries of that portion south and east to the western boundary of a portion of eleven acres which also forms part of St. James' Glebe thence again on the east and north by part of the western and the southern boundaries of that portion south and east to its south-east corner thence again on the east by the western boundaries of G. W. Cole's five acres and W. Abercrombie's five acres south to the south-west corner of the latter portion thence again on the north by a line partly forming the southern boundary of the last-named five acres east to a point one chain east of the south-east corner of that portion thence on the west by a line parallel to and rectangularly distant one chain from the eastern boundaries of W. Abercrombie's five acres and G. W. Cole's five acres aforesaid north to a point one chain south of the south-west corner of W. Lawson's senior five acres two roods thence again on the north by a line parallel to and rectangularly distant one chain from the southern boundary of that land east to the north-west corner of T. W. Smart's four acres two roods thence again on the east by the western boundary of that portion south to its south-west corner thence again on the north by a line partly forming the southern boundary of that land the southern boundary of M. Fitzgerald's westernmost five acres two roods twenty perches and part of the southern boundary of M. Fitzgerald's easternmost portion of five acres two roods twenty perches east to a point north of the north-west corner of a portion of two roods set apart for a site for a pound thence again on the east by a line partly forming the western boundary of that land south to its south-west corner thence again on the north by a line partly forming the southern boundary of that land and the southern boundary of a portion of two roods set apart for a Roman Catholic Church east to the south-east corner of the latter portion thence again on the west by a line partly forming the eastern boundary of that land north to the southern boundary of S. H. and J. Pearce's four acres two roods thence again on the north by part of that boundary east to the north-west corner of A. Quinsey's three acres thence again on the east by a line partly forming the western boundary of that portion south to a point west of the north-west corner of G. Smith's five acres thence again on the north by a line east to that corner thence again on the east and north by the western and southern boundaries of that portion south and east to the western boundary of J. B. Jones'

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Jones' ten acres thence again on the east by part of that boundary south to the south-east corner of that portion on the northern side of Boundary-street thence on the south by part of the northern side of that street west to the western side of Avoca-street thence again on the east by part of the western side of Avoca-street south to the northern side of a road forming the northern boundary of section six A being a portion of one acre three roods thirty perches thence again on the south and on the south-east by the northern and north-western sides of that road west and south-westerly to the north-eastern side of Orange-street thence on the south-west by part of that side of that street north-westerly to a point north of the north-west corner of G. W. Newcombe's ten acres on the northern side of King-street thence again on the east by a line partly forming the western boundaries of allotments three four five and six of section seven and allotments seven and six of section eight south to that corner thence again on the south by a line forming the northern side of King-street the northern boundary of the Reserve for Racecourse at Randwick and part of the northern boundary of the Lachlan Mills Estate being five hundred and seventy acres granted to Samuel Terry west to the south-east corner of four hundred and ninety acres dedicated for Permanent Common on fifth October one thousand eight hundred and sixty-six thence again on the west by the eastern boundary of that Common being the western limit of the Lachlan water-shed northerly to the southern side of the Old South Head Road aforesaid thence again on the north by that side of that road easterly to the intersection of a line parallel to and rectangularly distant one chain from the western margin of the Woollahra Reservoir thence by that line southerly and by lines parallel to and rectangularly distant one chain from the southern and eastern margins of that reservoir easterly and northerly to the southern side of the Old South Head Road aforesaid and thence by that side of that road easterly to the point of commencement Being all that land dedicated for a Water Reserve on fifth October one thousand eight-hundred and sixty-six with the exception of about one and a quarter acre surrounding and including the Woollahra Reservoir All the above stated bearings are from the magnetic meridian.

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