



ANNO DECIMO-NONO

VICTORIÆ REGINÆ,

No. 17.



*By His Excellency SIR HENRY EDWARD FOX YOUNG, Knight,
Captain-General and Governor-in-Chief of the Island of Van
Diemen's Land and its Dependencies, with the Advice and
Consent of the Legislative Council.*

***AN ACT to obviate any Doubts which might otherwise
arise from the Change in the Name of the Colony of Van
Diemen's Land to "Tasmania."***

[22nd December 1855.]

WHEREAS Her Most Gracious Majesty has been pleased, in accordance with the Petition of the Legislative Council of Van Diemen's Land, by Her Order in Council, to direct that from the first day of *January*, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-six, the Colony of *Van Diemen's Land* and the Territory belonging thereto shall be designated by the name of *Tasmania*: And whereas Doubts may arise as to the validity of instruments and proceedings in which the name *Van Diemen's Land* is now by law required to be inserted or used, and it is desirable to obviate such Doubts: Be it therefore enacted by the Governor of *Van Diemen's Land* and its Dependencies, with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council of the said Island, as follows:—

No objection whatever shall, after the first day of *January*, one

thousand eight hundred and fifty-six, be made or taken, or shall be of any validity or effect if made or taken, to the use of the word "*Tasmania*" instead of the words "*Van Diemen's Land*" in any instrument or proceeding whatever, nor shall the validity of any instrument or proceeding whatever be questioned or affected in consequence of the words "*Van Diemen's Land*" being used in such instrument or proceeding instead of the word "*Tasmania*."

MICHAEL FENTON, *Speaker*.

Passed the Legislative Council this twentieth day of December, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-five.

FR. HARTWELL HENSLOWE,
Clerk of the Council.

In the name and on the behalf of Her Majesty I assent to this Act.

H. E. F. YOUNG,
Governor.

Government House, Hobart Town,
22nd December, 1855.