



ANNO UNDECIMO

VICTORIÆ REGINÆ,

No. 5.

*By His Excellency SIR WILLIAM THOMAS DENISON, Knight,
Lieutenant-Governor of the Island of Van Diemen's Land and
its Dependencies, with the Advice of the Legislative Council.*

*AN ACT to amend the Act of this Island intituled
An Act for the Regulation of Prisons.*

WHEREAS an Act or Ordinance of this Island was passed in the eighth year of the reign of Her present Majesty intituled *An Act for the Regulation of Prisons* by the Seventeenth Section whereof provision is made for the Punishment of Offences committed by Prisoners confined in the Houses of Correction in this Island by empowering the Comptroller-General of Convicts under whose order any such House of Correction shall then be upon report by the Keeper of such House of Correction of any such offence having been committed in a summary way to enquire upon oath and forthwith to determine concerning any such matter so reported to him the said Comptroller-General of Convicts and to order the offender to be punished in such manner as therein mentioned but in case of the absence of the said Comptroller-General of Convicts any Justice resident in the District in which such House of Correction shall be situate is empowered upon the like report to enquire and determine upon the matters so reported in like manner as the said Comptroller-General of Convicts—AND WHEREAS it would be expedient that the powers so contained in the said Seventeenth Section so far as the same relate to the said Comptroller-General of Convicts should be conferred upon and extended to the Visiting Magistrates of the several Houses of Correction in this Island without

PREAMBLE.
8 Vict. No. 16.
Sect. 17.

Same powers for punishment of offences committed by prisoners confined in Houses of Correction may be exercised by Visiting Magistrates as under 17th section of 8 Vict. No. 16 may be exercised by Comptroller-General of Convicts.

reference to the absence of the said Comptroller-General of Convicts—
BE IT THEREFORE ENACTED by His Excellency **SIR WILLIAM THOMAS DENISON** Knight Lieutenant-Governor of the Island of Van Diemen's Land and its Dependencies by and with the advice of the Legislative Council of the said Island that from and after the time when this Act shall come into operation it shall be lawful for any Visiting Magistrate of any of the Houses of Correction in this Island and he is hereby authorised and empowered upon such report as aforesaid in that behalf made to him to do and execute all such acts matters and things in as full and ample a manner to all intents and purposes whether the said Comptroller-General of Convicts shall be absent or not as under and by virtue of the said Seventeenth Section of the said recited Act may lawfully be done and executed by such Comptroller-General of Convicts any thing in the said recited Act to the contrary in any wise notwithstanding.

W. T. DENISON.

Passed the Legislative Council, this twenty-seventh day of March, one thousand eight hundred and forty-eight,

J. W. KIRWAN, *Clerk of the Council.*