

ANNO TERTIO

VICTORIÆ REGINÆ.

No. I.

GRANTS &c.
CONFIRMATION.An Act to remove doubts concerning the Validity
of certain Grants of Land in New South
Wales. [3rd July, 1839.]

Preamble.

All Grants Deeds or Conveyances made or issued during the period between the day of the demise of His late Majesty King William the Fourth and the date of the receipt in this Colony of the intelligence of such demise to be as valid in law and as binding upon Her present Majesty Her Heirs and Successors as if the same had been made or issued in the name of Her said present Majesty.

WHEREAS certain Grants or Conveyances of parts of the Waste Lands of the Crown in the Colony of New South Wales have been made and issued to divers persons under the Great Seal of the said Colony and in the name of His late Majesty King William the Fourth between the twentieth day of June in the year one thousand eight hundred and thirty-seven being the day of the demise of His said late Majesty and the twenty-fifth day of October in the same year on which last mentioned day the intelligence of the said demise first reached the said Colony and whereas doubts have been entertained whether such Grants or Conveyances made and issued as aforesaid are valid in law or binding upon Her Majesty Her Heirs and Successors and whereas to remove such doubts and to quiet the titles of Her Majesty's subjects holding or entitled to hold any lands in New South Wales so granted or conveyed as aforesaid Her Majesty hath through the Right Honorable Charles Lord Glenelg one of Her Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State been graciously pleased to signify Her Royal Will and Pleasure that all Grants or Conveyances of Lands made or issued by the Governor of the said Colony under the Great Seal of the same and in the name of His said late Majesty during the time aforesaid in the exercise or supposed exercise of the powers and authorities vested in him as said Governor should be valid in law and binding upon Her Majesty Her Heirs and Successors Be it therefore enacted by His Excellency the Governor of New South Wales with the advice of the Legislative Council thereof That all Grants Deeds or Conveyances of any Lands situated in the said Colony that have been made or issued in the name of His said late Majesty King William the Fourth at any time after the demise of His said Majesty and on or before the twenty-fifth day of October in the year aforesaid being the day on which the said demise was known in the said Colony shall be and shall be deemed taken and held to be and to have been from the respective dates thereof as valid and effectual in Law to grant and convey such Lands and shall be as binding upon Her Majesty Her Heirs and Successors to all intents and purposes as if such Grants Deeds or Conveyances had been made and issued in the name of Her present Majesty Queen Victoria and had been recorded in the most regular form of law any thing in any Act or Law or usage to the contrary in anywise notwithstanding.