No. 890.

An Act to amend "The Opium Act, 1895."

[Assented to, December 9th, 1905.]

Be it Enacted by the Governor, with the advice and consent of the Parliament of South Australia, as follows:

1. This Act may be cited for all purposes as "The Opium Act Amendment Act, 1905."

2. This Act shall be incorporated and read together with "The Opium Act, 1895."

3. Any person who shall sell, barter, exchange, or give, or permit to be sold, bartered, exchanged, or given, any opium to any person whether an aboriginal native of Australia or half-caste of that race, or otherwise, except as a medicine, under the authority of a duly qualified registered medical practitioner, shall be guilty of an offence, and shall be liable on a first conviction to a penalty of not less than Five Pounds nor more than Twenty Pounds, and for a second or any subsequent offence to a penalty of not less than Ten Pounds nor more than Fifty Pounds, or to imprisonment for any period not more than three months, or to both of such penalty and imprisonment, at the discretion of the Court.

4. The provisions of section 3 of this Act shall not apply to any person carrying on business as a wholesale druggist, and supplying opium in the course of such business to any registered pharmaceutical chemist.

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5. Any Asiatic alien who is guilty of a contravention of section 3 of "The Opium Act, 1895," shall, in addition to the punishment prescribed in the said section, be liable to be deported from the State to the domicile of his origin.

6. Any person who shall manufacture opium in any form suitable for smoking within the State of South Australia shall be guilty of an offence against this Act, and shall be liable to a fine of not less than Ten Pounds nor more than Fifty Pounds.

7. Any person who shall keep open, manage, or assist in keeping open or managing any house or place used for the purpose of opium-smoking shall be guilty of an offence against this Act, and shall be liable to a fine of not less than Ten Pounds nor more than Fifty Pounds, and shall, on a second conviction, be liable to imprisonment for a term not exceeding twelve months.

8. This Act shall come into operation on the first day of July, one thousand nine hundred and six.

In the name and on behalf of His Majesty, I hereby assent to this Bill.

GEORGE R. LE HUNTE, Governor.