

VETERINARY SURGEONS.

14° GEO. V., No. XXV.

No. 46 of 1923.

AN ACT to amend the Veterinary Surgeons Act, 1911.

[Assented to 22nd December, 1923.]

BE it enacted by the King's Most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and Legislative Assembly of Western Australia, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

1. This Act may be cited as the *Veterinary Surgeons Act Amendment Act, 1923*, and shall be read as one with the Veterinary Surgeons Act, 1911, hereinafter referred to as the principal Act. Short title.

Amendment of
Section 25.

Permits to
unregistered
Veterinary
Surgeons.

2. Section twenty-five of the principal Act is amended by adding thereto a subsection, as follows:—

6. Provided, also, that the Board may, and if the Minister so directs shall, on payment of the prescribed fee, issue to any person a permit in writing whereby it shall be lawful for such person to perform and give for reward any veterinary service, operation, or advice, if and so long as no registered veterinary surgeon resides and practises veterinary surgery within thirty miles of the residence of such person, and of the place where such veterinary service, operation, or advice is performed or given; and in such case paragraphs (a) and (c) of subsection (1) of this section shall not apply to such person.

If any person to whom such permit is issued shall, after due inquiry by the Board, be adjudged by the Board to be incompetent, or to have been guilty of such conduct as if committed by a registered veterinary surgeon would justify the Board in removing his name from the register, or if at any time a registered veterinary surgeon resides and is in practice within the area to which the permit extends, the Board may revoke the permit.

It is further provided that any reputable person who, prior to the great war, had undergone not less than three years' training in a veterinary hospital in this State, efficiently equipped and maintained for the treatment of the diseases and injuries of the domesticated animals, and who subsequently served abroad with the Australian Imperial Forces, shall, on satisfactory proof of such facts being given to the Board, be registered as a veterinary practitioner in accordance with the provisions of the principal Act: Provided always that application under this amendment shall be made within six months from the date of its becoming law.
