



WESTERN AUSTRALIA.

ANNO DUODECIMO

VICTORIÆ REGINÆ.

No. XXIV.

An Ordinance to extend the Law of Qua-
rantine.

WHEREAS it is expedient to provide for the introduction into Preamble.
this colony, of malignant and infectious diseases, before the
receipt by His Excellency the Governor of such intelligence as may
enable him to exercise the precautionary powers vested in him by
the Quarantine Act;—Be it enacted by His Excellency the Governor
of Western Australia and its Dependencies, by and with the advice
and

No person to land before the visit of the Health Officer. and consent of the Legislative Council thereof, that if any person shall land in any part of the colony aforesaid, from any ship or vessel arriving at or entering any of the ports or harbours thereof, from any port beyond the limits of this colony, before or after such ship or vessel shall have come to anchor, before the Health Officer of the port of arrival, (where any such Officer has been appointed) or where no such Officer has been appointed, then before the Harbour Master or other Government Officer, shall have visited and inquired into the state of health of the crew and passengers of such ship or vessel, such person so offending shall, on conviction thereof before any Justice of the Peace, forfeit and pay a sum not exceeding fifty pound

Health Officer may order vessel into Quarantine, and report to Governor, &c. II. AND be it enacted, that it shall be lawful for any Health Officer to order any ship or vessel in to quarantine, provided there be at the time or shall have been during the voyage any infectious or contagious disease on board such ship or vessel, or provided such ship or vessel shall have touched at any port or place during the voyage where any such infectious or contagious disease shall have prevailed, or shall have communicated with any other ship or vessel on board which such disease may have existed, in consequence of which danger may reasonably be apprehended to the public health from the immediate admission of any such ship or vessel to entry;—Provided that every such case be immediately reported to His Excellency the Governor, or if occurring at King George's Sound, Bunbury, or the Vasse, then to the Residents of those Districts respectively, in order that further measures may be taken by the said Governor, or such Residents respectively, for the continuance of such ship or vessel in quarantine, or the release thereof, as may be judged expedient; and every such ship or vessel so placed in quarantine, with the contents thereof, and every person on board, whether any such person shall belong to or have come as a passenger by such ship or vessel, or shall have gone on board the same after the arrival thereof, shall be subject to the same Laws, Rules and Penalties in all respects as are in force with respect to ships or vessels, goods or persons, placed in quarantine under the provisions of an Ordinance passed in the third year of the reign of His Majesty King William the Fourth, intituled "an Act to enforce and regulate the performance of quarantine in certain cases in Western Australia."

III. AND be it enacted, that within the limits of the districts
of

1849. 12th Vict. No. 24.

of Albany, Bunbury, or the Vasse, the same power and authority ^{Power given to Resi-} in respect to the performance of quarantine in any part of the said ^{dent Magistrates.} districts respectively by any ship or vessel placed in quarantine under the authority of this Ordinance, or of the said recited Ordinance, shall be vested in the Resident Magistrate of the said districts respectively as fully and effectually, and to all intents and purposes as are now vested in His Excellency the Governor of Western Australia, with the advice of the Executive Council thereof, under the provisions of the said recited Act.

IV. AND be it enacted, that all informations and proceedings ^{Limitation of pro-} for Offences against this Ordinance, shall be commenced within three ^{ceedings.} calendar months after the offences thereby respectively charged shall have been committed, and shall be heard and determined, and the forfeitures and penalties in respect of the same shall be awarded, ^{Recovery and appro-} enforced and appropriated in a summary manner before any two ^{priation of Penalties.} Justices of the Peace according to the provisions of an Ordinance passed in the seventh year of the reign of Her present Majesty, intituled "an Act to regulate summary proceedings before Justices of the Peace.

CHARLES FITZGERALD,
GOVERNOR AND COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF.

*Passed the Council }
18th May, 1849. }*

THOMAS N. YULE,
Acting Clerk of the Council.