## WESTERN AUSTRALIA ANNO QUADRAGESIMO PRIMO VICTORIÆ REGINÆ

No. 14

An Act to vest in certain Officers of Customs in this Colony certain powers which, by 'The Merchant Shipping Act, 1871,' are, in the United Kingdom, vested in the Board of Trade. [Assented to 16th August, 1877.

WHEREAS by section seven of 'The Merchant Shipping Act, Preamble 1871,' it is provided that the costs of any survey made in 34 & 35 vic., pursuance of the provisions of that section shall be paid in the first c. 110

## Repayment of Costs of Survey of Merchant Ships

instance by the Board of Trade out of the Mercantile Marine Fund, and shall be repaid to the said Board, as in the said section mentioned; and whereas the said provision is not applicable to the case of surveys made in pursuance of the said section in this Colony, and it is expedient to provide for such cases: Be it therefore enacted by His Excellency the Governor of Western Australia and its Dependencies, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council thereof, as follows:—

Principal officer of customs to pay costs of surveys under sec. 7 of 34 & 35 Vic., c. 110

And to be repaid the same 1. The costs of any survey made in pursuance of the provisions of the said seventh section of 'The Merchant Shipping Act, 1871,' which by the said section are to be paid within the United Kingdom by the Board of Trade out of the Mercantile Marine Fund, shall within this Colony be paid by the principal officer of customs at the port within or nearest to which such survey is held; and such principal officer, having paid any such costs, shall be entitled to have the same repaid to him, by the person or persons upon whose demand or in consequence of whose allegation the survey was made, or by the master or owner of the ship, in the same manner and subject to the same conditions as, within the United Kingdom, the Board of Trade is so entitled.

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