

WESTERN AUSTRALIA

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VICTORIÆ REGINÆ

No. 12

An Act to declare the Law relating to Masters and
Apprentices. [Assented to 24th July, 1873.]

WHEREAS doubts have arisen as to whether there is any law in force in this Colony under which persons under age can bind themselves as apprentices to master workmen; and whereas it is expedient and desirable to remove such doubts: Be it 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:--

Preamble

1. All the laws in force in England on the first day of January, in the year of Our Lord one thousand eight hundred and seventy-three with regard to the persons who may take or become apprentices, the number of apprentices that may be taken by any one master, the mode of binding apprentices (except in so far as relates to the stamp required on any indenture), the rights and liabilities of the parties to any indenture of apprenticeship, the assigning and turning over of apprentices

Laws of England on 1st January, 1873, relating to apprentices to be deemed to have been and to be the law in this Colony

Apprentices

and the dissolution of apprenticeships, shall be deemed to have been and shall henceforth be, except in so far as the same are inapplicable to the circumstances of this Colony, in force in this Colony.

Summary power
to Justices to
determine all
disputes

2. All questions arising between the parties to any indenture of apprenticeship out of or in relation to or connection with any of the subjects in the first section mentioned, and all disputes and differences between the parties to any such indenture, shall be dealt with and determined by any two Justices of the Peace in a summary manner; and such Justices shall have the same power to deal with all such questions, disputes, and differences, and make any order thereupon as is enjoyed in England by Justices of the Peace in Petty or General Quarter Sessions.

FRED. A. WELD,
GOVERNOR.
