



WESTERN AUSTRALIA.

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No. I.

**An Ordinance to regulate the Forms to be
observed by Pardoned Convicts prior to
their leaving the Colony.**

WHEREAS it is expedient that no pardoned convict should Preamble,
leave the colony of Western Australia without first shewing
his pardon to some proper officer, to be by such officer compared with
the description and indorsed; so that pardons may never be trans-
ferred; and whereas great inconvenience may arise from unpardoned
convicts

Wrong man embarking. convicts leaving the colony under false pretence of having obtained their conditional pardons ;—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, that every person professing to be a pardoned convict, before embarking on board any vessel about to sail either from Fremantle or any other port or part of the coast of the said colony, shall produce his pardon to the Resident Magistrate or the Superintendent of Water Police at or nearest to the place of embarkation ; and provided such Magistrate or Superintendent be duly satisfied concerning the pardon and the description of the person, and other matters at his discretion, he shall endorse the same, and such endorsement shall be sufficient authority for such pardoned convict to embark on board any vessel about to leave the colony.

Resident Magistrate or Superintendent of Water Police to endorse.

Penalty £10.

II. THAT every pardoned convict who shall be found on board any ship or vessel with intent to leave the colony, and who shall not have his pardon so endorsed as herein directed, shall be taken before a Justice of the Peace, and, on conviction thereof before any such Justice, fined a sum not exceeding ten pounds, or be imprisoned for any period not exceeding six calendar months, with or without hard labour, at the discretion of the convicting Justice.

III. THAT the sections A, B and F of the Shortening Ordinance, 1853, shall be, and the same are hereby incorporated with this Ordinance.

CHARLES FITZGERALD,
GOVERNOR AND COMMANDER-IN CHIEF.

*Passed the Legislative Council, }
this 12th day of April, 1855. }*

A. O'GRADY LEFROY.
Clerk of the Council.