



WESTERN AUSTRALIA.

ANNO DUODECIMO

VICTORIÆ REGINÆ.

No. XII.

**An Ordinance to amend the existing Laws
respecting the Solemnization of Matrimony.**

WHEREAS it is expedient to amend an Ordinance passed in Preamble.
the tenth year of the Reign of Her present Majesty, intituled
“an Ordinance to repeal the existing laws respecting the solemniza-
tion of matrimony, and to make other regulations respecting the
same;”—Be it therefore enacted, by His Excellency the Governor of
Western

Part of the 10th Vict. No. 18 requiring presence of Registrar, &c., repealed.

Western Australia and its Dependencies, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council thereof, that so much of the said Ordinance as relates to the following particulars (save as to marriages in the office of any Registrar, as hereinafter mentioned) be and the same is hereby repealed; that is to say, so much of the said Ordinance as requires the presence of the Registrar at marriages, and so much as declares it Felony to solemnize any marriage in any other place than the church or building specified in the notice and certificate or Registrar's license mentioned in the said Ordinance, or the absence of a Registrar, or within twenty-one days after entry of notice to a Registrar, or after the expiration of three calendar months after the date of such entry, or after the expiration of three calendar months after the date of the Registrar's license, and so much of the said Ordinance as empowers any Registrar to issue a certificate or license for the solemnization of any marriage elsewhere than in the office of any Registrar, and so much of the said Ordinance (save as aforesaid) as renders void the marriages of persons intermarrying in any other place than the church or building specified in the notice, certificate, or Registrar's license mentioned in the said Ordinance, or intermarrying without either certificate or Registrar's license, or in the absence of a Registrar.

What former Marriages valid.

II. AND be it enacted, that the twenty-first section of the said Ordinance shall be deemed and taken to apply only to marriages heretofore bonâ fide solemnised or performed and followed by cohabitation and repute of marriage.

Not to extend to Jews or Quakers.

III. AND be it enacted, that nothing in the said Ordinance or in this Ordinance contained shall extend to any marriages among the people called Quakers, or among persons professing the Jewish Religion, where both the parties to any such marriage shall be of the people called Quakers, or persons professing the Jewish Religion respectively.

CHARLES FITZGERALD,
GOVERNOR AND COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF.

Passed the Council }
9th May, 1849. }

THOMAS N. YULE,
Acting Clerk of the Council.