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AN ACT to prevent the Influx of Criminals 1909. Tasmania, and to prevent certain Criminals from remaining in or returning [22 December, 1909.] to the said State.

DE it enacted by His Excellency the Governor of *Tasmania*, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and House of Assembly, in Parliament assembled, as follows:—

6d.

A.D. 1909.

Preliminary.

Short title.

1 This Act may be cited as "The Influx of Criminals Prevention Act, 1909," and shall commence and take effect on the First day of January, One thousand nine hundred and ten.

Interpretation. Cf. 3 Ed. VII. No. 6, s. 2 (N.S.W.). Cf. 5 Ed. VII. No. 24, s. 2 (Q.).

2 In this Act—

- "Other State" means State of the Commonwealth of Australia, not being the State of Tasmania and its Dependencies:
- "Vessel" includes every description of ship or boat.

Prohibition as to Criminals.

Persons convicted in other States coming into this State guilty of offence. N.S.W., s. 3. Q., s. 3.

- 3 If any person, other than a person who has been resident in this State at or prior to the commencement of this Act—
 - Has, before or after the commencement of this Act, been convicted in any other State, or in any place beyond the limits of this State—
 - (a) Of an offence against the Commonwealth Act, intituled "The Immigration Restriction Act, 1901," by reason of his being a prohibited immigrant within the definition in Section Three, Subsection (e) or (f), of that Act, and being found within the Commonwealth in contravention or evasion of the said Subsection (e) or (f);
 - (b) On Two or more occasions of an offence for which in such other State or place he was liable to suffer death, or to be imprisoned for One year or longer:

and-

n. Comes into this State before the lapse of Three years after the termination of any imprisonment suffered by him, or of any term of release on probation or of recognizance or suretyship to be of good behaviour in respect of any such offence—

he shall be guilty of an offence against this Act.

Master liable if persons improperly brought to this State.
N.S.W., s. 4.
Q., s. 4.

4 If any master or other person commanding any vessel brings in such vessel to any port or place in this State any person who, to his knowledge, has been convicted in any other State, or in any place beyond the limits of this State, of any offence mentioned in paragraph (b) of the last preceding section, and has within Three years prior to the arrival of such vessel at such port or place been released from any imprisonment suffered in respect of such offence, he shall be liable, on summary conviction, to a penalty not exceeding One

hundred Pounds, or to imprisonment for any term not exceeding Six A.D. 1909. months, or to both such penalty and imprisonment.

5 If any person having been convicted of an offence against this Persons convicted Act, and not having been discharged upon recognizance under this Act, of offence against remains in this State for a period of One month after the termination of any imprisonment suffered in respect of such offence, or having left leave this State. returns to this State within Three years after the termination of such N.S.W., s. 5. imprisonment, he shall be guilty of an offence against this Act.

this Act and imprisoned to

6 If any person having been convicted of an offence against this Persons so con-Act, and having been discharged upon recognizance under this Act, victed and commits a breach of such recognizance, he shall be guilty of an offence against this Act, and the convicting police magistrate or justices committing shall forfeit the recognizance entered into by the offender and his breach of sureties.

discharged on recognizance. N.S.W., s. 6. Penalty for

this Act.

7 If any person harbours or conceals any person whom he knows or believes to be guilty of an offence against this Act, he shall be liable, harbouring. on summary conviction, to a penalty not exceeding One hundred N.S.W., s. 7. Pounds, or to imprisonment for any term not exceeding Twelve Q., s. 7. months.

Punishment.

8 Any person guilty of an offence against this Act shall be liable to Punishment for imprisonment for a term not exceeding Twelve months, and, in offence against addition to or substitution for such imprisonment, shall be liable to be deported from this State upon the order in that behalf of the Minister

N.S.W., s. 8. Q., s. 8. Provided that any such offender may be released from any imprison-

ment imposed under this section—

1. For the purposes of the deportation of the offender: or

- 11. Upon the offender entering into a recognizance in the sum of Fifty Pounds, with two approved sureties, each in a like sum, conditioned that he will leave this State within Seven days after his release, and not return to this State within Three years after the date of his release: or
- III Upon the offender entering into a recognizance in the sum of Two hundred Pounds, with two approved sureties, each in a like sum, conditioned that he will be of good behaviour for a period of Five years from the date of his release.

Apprehension and Search Warrants.

9—(1.) Any constable may, without any warrant other than this Apprehension Act, apprehend any person whom he has reasonable cause to suspect without warrant. to be guilty of an offence against this Act.

Q., s. 9, ss. (1.).

A.D. 1909.

Power to grant search warrant.
N.S.W., s. 9.
Q., s. 9.

(2.) Any justice before whom information on oath has been laid that any person is guilty of an offence against this Act, and that such person is on board any vessel or is harboured or concealed in any house or other place, may grant a general warrant to any constable to search for such person.

Any constable may by virtue of such warrant enter and search, by day or by night, any vessel on board of which such person may be suspected to be, or any dwelling-house, building, or other place wherein such person may be suspected to be harboured or concealed, and apprehend any person whom such constable has reasonable cause to suspect to be guilty of an offence against this Act, and may also apprehend any person found on board such vessel or in or about such dwelling-house, building, or place whom such constable has reasonable grounds to suspect and believe to have knowingly harboured or concealed any such suspected person.

(3.) All persons apprehended as aforesaid shall be forthwith taken before a police magistrate or justices to be dealt with as in this Act provided.

Persons arrested on suspicion to be allowed bail. N.S.W., s. 10. Q., s. 10.

10 Any person apprehended on suspicion of being guilty of an offence against this Act may be discharged out of custody by any justice upon his entering into a recognizance, with or without sureties and in such several sums as the justice directs, conditioned that such person shall appear at the time and place named in the recognizance.

Forfeiture of property.
N.S.W., s. 11.
Q., s. 11.

11 All property found upon or in the possession of any person so apprehended shall be seized and detained; and in the event of his being convicted and sentenced under this Act may, in the discretion of the convicting magistrate or justices, be forfeited and sold.

Supplemental.

Application of penalties and forfeitures.
N.S.W., s. 12.
Q., s. 12.

12 All penalties, and the proceeds of the sale of any property forfeited under this Act, shall be paid into the Police Provident Fund, except such portion thereof, not exceeding One-half, as the convicting magistrate or justices may award to the informer.

Evidence of previous conviction.
N.S.W., s. 13.

Q., s. 13.

- 13 A certificate signed by the commissioner or other head or acting head of the police force of any other State or place beyond the limits of this State, setting forth—
 - 1. The name or names by which a person previously convicted in such State or place is known:
 - II. A description of such person:
 - III. The fact that he was so convicted: and
 - iv. The date on which, the place where, the offence for which, and the term of imprisonment to which such person was so convicted or sentenced—

shall be admissible in any legal proceeding taken against a person accused of an offence against this Act as prima facie evidence of the

facts stated in such certificate, and that such accused person was the A.D. 1909. person convicted and sentenced as therein set torth, and no proof shall be required of the signature or official position of the person appearing to have signed such certificate.

14 All informations for offences against this Act, and all penalties Offences to be imposed by this Act, shall be heard, determined, and recovered dealt with in a summary way by and before a police magistrate or any Two or more justices in the mode prescribed by "The Magistrates Summary Procedure Act."