

39. These provisions . . . shall not extend to immigrants brought to Victoria at the public expense, nor to shipwrecked mariners brought to Victoria without charge by the master of some other ship than that in which they were wrecked, nor to the crews of ships who shall have signed articles for the whole voyage, nor to Her Majesty's land and sea forces.

Act not to extend to Government immigrants, &c.

SOUTH AUSTRALIA.

The Immigration Limitation Act, 1891, enacts as follows:—

1. In the interpretation of this Act the following words and expressions shall have the meaning hereafter assigned to them, unless there shall be something in the context or subject-matter inconsistent with such meaning:

Interpretation.

“Proper officer” shall mean the health officer, collector of Customs, and every officer of Customs or inspector of police appointed by the Governor to carry out the provisions of this Act:

“Ship” shall include every vessel of any kind carrying passengers, except vessels plying from one port in the province to another port therein:

“Passenger” shall mean and include all passengers or persons on board any ship, and also the crew of any ship, and all persons on board and belonging in any capacity to any ship:

“Treasurer” shall mean the treasurer of the province.

2. Immediately on the arrival of any ship at any port or place in the Province of South Australia, it shall be the duty of the proper officer to go on board such ship and to examine into the condition of the passengers thereof, and such officer is hereby authorised and empowered to go on board of and through such ship, and if, on such examination, there shall be found amongst such passengers any person who may have been convicted of any felony in any country other than South Australia, or any indigent passenger who may be a lunatic, idiot, deaf, dumb, blind, infirm, or unable to take care of himself or herself, and who in his opinion is likely to become a charge upon the public or upon any public or charitable institution as a destitute person or vagrant, the proper officer shall require the owner, charterer, or master of such ship, or some resident of the said province, prior to the landing of any such person, to execute, with two good sufficient and substantial sureties, residents of the province, jointly and severally, a bond to Her Majesty in the sum of two hundred pounds for every such passenger and person aforesaid conditioned to pay to the treasurer of the said province all moneys, charges, costs, or expenses which shall or may be laid out or incurred within the space of five years from the execution of the said bond for the maintenance or support of such passenger or person aforesaid; and the said sureties shall justify before and to the satisfaction of a special magistrate of the province, and shall by their oath or affirmation satisfy him that they are respectively permanent residents in South Australia, and

Examination of condition of passengers, &c. on arrival.

Bond to be given for passengers lunatic, &c.