

# New South Wales.



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### No. XLI.

COLOURED RACES  
RESTRICTION  
AND REGULATION.

An Act to apply and extend certain provisions of the Chinese Restriction and Regulation Act of 1888 to other Coloured Races, to repeal section 15 of that Act, and for other purposes incidental to or consequent upon the before-mentioned objects. [Reserved, 23rd November, 1896.]

BE it enacted by the Queen's Most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and Legislative Assembly of New South Wales in Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:—

Provisions of Chinese  
Restriction and  
Regulation Act to  
apply to other  
coloured races.

1. The provisions of the Chinese Restriction and Regulation Act of 1888, with the exception of sections one, two, twelve, and nineteen, shall apply and extend to and in respect of all persons belonging to any coloured race inhabiting the Continent of Asia or the Continent of Africa, or any island adjacent thereto, or any island in the Pacific Ocean or the Indian Ocean, not being persons duly accredited on any special mission to Her Majesty by the Government or ruler of any country, state, or territory, or to this Colony under the authority of the Imperial Government.

In applying and extending the provisions of the said Act as aforesaid, there shall be read immediately after the word "Chinese," wherever it occurs in the said Act, the words "or person of any coloured race inhabiting the Continent of Asia or the Continent of Africa,"

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Africa, or any island adjacent to either Continent, or any island in the Pacific Ocean or in the Indian Ocean," or the words "or persons of any coloured races inhabiting the Continent of Asia or the Continent of Africa, or any island adjacent to either Continent, or any island in the Pacific Ocean or in the Indian Ocean," as the context may require; and a wife whose descent brings her within the meaning of the foregoing definition shall be deemed to be of the nationality of her husband. Nothing herein contained shall be deemed to include within the operation of this Act any person either wholly or partially of European descent. The native races of Australia, Tasmania, and New Zealand shall also be exempt from the operation of this Act.

2. Section fifteen of the Chinese Restriction and Regulation Repeal of part of Chinese Restriction and Regulation Act Act of 1888 is hereby repealed, also the words "by birth a British subject or" in section five of that Act.

3. It shall be lawful for the Governor-in-Council from time to Exemptions. time, by proclamation to be published in the *Gazette*, to exempt for any period any person or class of persons from the provisions of this and the Principal Act, and to declare that such provisions shall not at any time or for any specified period apply to the person or class of persons mentioned in such proclamation. Any such proclamation may at any time be revoked by the Governor-in-Council by proclamation to be published in the *Gazette*.

4. This Act shall not apply, nor shall the Chinese Restriction Exemptions. and Regulation Act of 1888 apply, to ministers of religion, missionaries, native teachers, tourists, merchants, men of science or students, and the wives and families of such persons, and also their domestic servants, who are bearers of certificates of identity specifying their occupation and their object in coming into New South Wales, or of other similar documents issued by the Government whose subjects they are. Every such certificate or other document shall be in the English language, and shall be examined and endorsed by a British Consul or *Chargeé d'Affaires*, or other accredited representative of the British Government at the place where the same is issued, or at the port or place of departure, and neither of the above-mentioned Acts shall prevent the landing of any of the officers or of the crew of any vessel during her stay in any port of New South Wales, subject to such regulations ensuring the departure of all such officers and members of the crew with their ship as the Governor-in-Council may prescribe.

5. This Act shall take effect on and after the first day of Commencement and short title. January, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven, and may be cited as the "Coloured Races Restriction and Regulation Act, 1896."