SUGAR BOUNTY.

No. 12 of 1912.

An Act to amend the Sugar Bounty Act 1905-1910.

[Assented to 29th October, 1912.]

BE it enacted by the King's Most Excellent Majesty, the Senate, and the House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Australia, as follows:-

1.—(1.) This Act may be cited as the Sugar Bounty Act 1912. Short title and

- (2.) The Sugar Bounty Act 1905-1910, as amended by this Act, may be cited as the Sugar Bounty Act 1905-1912.
- 2.—Section nine of the Sugar Bounty Act 1905-1910 is repealed, and the following section substituted in its stead:—
- "9.—(1.) The Minister may make application to the President Conditions of of the Commonwealth Court of Conciliation and Arbitration, or to employment and rates of wages. any Judge of a Federal or State Court or to any person or persons who compose a State Industrial Authority, for a declaration as to what wages and conditions of employment are fair and reasonable for labour employed in the production of white-grown sugar-cane or beet.

"(2.) On the hearing and determination of the application, the President, Judge, person or persons shall have all the powers which under the Excise Procedure Act 1907 belong to the President of the Commonwealth Court of Conciliation and Arbitration, and all witnesses and persons summoned to appear or appearing before him or them shall be entitled to the same privileges and protection, and be subject to the same liabilities and penalties, as witnesses or persons summoned to appear or appearing before the President on an application within the meaning of that Act, and the provisions of that Act shall, so far as they are applicable apply accordingly, mutatis mutandis, as if the application were an application within the meaning of that Act.

"(3.) Every grower of white-grown sugar-cane or beet who claims the bounty payable under the Act shall, in making his claim, certify to the Minister the conditions of employment and the rates of wages paid to any labour employed by him, other than the labour of members of his family.

"(4.) If the Minister finds that the rates of wages and conditions of employment, or any of them—

(a) are below the standard rates and conditions of employment prescribed by any Commonwealth or

State Industrial Authority, or

(b) are below the standard rates and conditions applicable to the locality and agreed upon between representatives of associations of employers and employees registered under any Commonwealth or State Act, or

(c) are below the rates and conditions declared, as in the first sub-section of this section mentioned, to be fair

and reasonable,

the Minister may withhold the whole or any part of the bounty payable."

TASMANIA GRANT.

No. 13 of 1912.

An Act to grant and apply out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund a sum for the purposes of Financial Assistance to the State of Tasmania.

[Assented to 6th November, 1912.]

Preamble.

B^E it enacted by the King's Most Excellent Majesty, the Senate, and the House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Australia, for the purpose of appropriating the grant originated in the House of Representatives, as follows:—

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- 1. This Act may be cited as the Tasmania Grant Act 1912.
- Appropriation of £500,000 for financial assistance to Tasmania.
- 2. Subject to this Act, there shall be payable out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund, which is hereby appropriated accordingly, for the purposes of financial assistance to the State of Tasmania, the sum of Five hundred thousand pounds.

Payments to extend over period of ten years.

- 3.—(1.) Payments of the said sum of Five hundred thousand pounds shall extend over a period of ten years according to the scale in the Schedule so that in each financial year mentioned in the first column of the Schedule there shall be paid the sum set opposite to that financial year in the second column of the Schedule.
- (2.) The amount payable in any year shall be paid in equal monthly instalments.