



# Slave Trade Act 1873

## CHAPTER 88

### SLAVE TRADE ACT 1873

#### *Preliminary*

- 1 Short title.
- 2 Interpretation.

#### *Seizure of Slave Ships*

- 3 Visitation and seizure by cruisers, &c. of suspected slave ships.
- 4 Vessels equipped for traffic in slaves to be deemed engaged in the slave trade.

#### *Courts*

- 5 Jurisdiction of courts in regard to slave vessels, slaves, goods, and effects.
- 6 Proceedings upon seizure by a foreigner.

#### *Mixed Courts*

- 7 Appointment of judges, arbitrators, secretary, &c, to mixed courts and commissions.
- 8 Regulations as to powers of mixed courts.

#### *Disposal of Vessels and Slaves*

- 9 Disposal of condemned vessels.
- 10 Disposal of slaves.

#### *Bounties*

- 11 Bounty and other payments to seizers when British Cruisers.

*Status: This is the original version (as it was originally enacted).*

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- 12 Bounty and other payments where vessel, slave, or goods not seized by cruisers.
- 13 Payment of proceeds of vessels; &c. when seized by a foreign cruiser.
- 14 Regulations as to payment of bounty.
- 15 Payment by Treasury of costs, damages, and expenses.
- 16 Payment and distribution of bounties and other sums.

*Miscellaneous*

- 17 Protection of persons authorised to seize.
- 18 Pendency of suit or decree a bar to proceeding for recovery of vessel, damages, &c.
- 19 Power of High Court of Admiralty of England as to bounties, reviewing and enforcing decrees, &c.
- 20 Review of taxation by Registrar of Court of Admiralty.
- 21 Appeal by Treasury.
- 22 Prosecution for false evidence.
- 23 Returns by registrars.

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- 24 Incorporation with unrepealed portions of 5 G.4 c.113.
- 25 Recovery of forfeitures under 5 Geo. 4. c. 113.
- 26 Jurisdiction of court over offences under 5 G.4 c.113.
- 27 Extension of 33 & 34 Vict. c.52 to Slave Trade offences.

*Application of Act*

- 28 Application of Act to cases already adjudicated.
- 29 Extension of Act to future treaties.

*Repeal*

- 30 Repeal of Acts in schedule.

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FIRST SCHEDULE — Equipments which are primâ facie evidence op a Vessel being engaged in the slave trade

SECOND — Acts Repealed  
SCHEDULE