

amends the Act by providing that examinations may be instituted in Canada for British subjects or for persons domiciled in Canada for at least three years, intending to become masters or mates of sea-going ships, foreign subjects serving in sea-going ships registered in Canada to be deemed to be domiciled in Canada. (Sec. 5.) Provides that no ship over 100 tons registered in Canada shall go to sea on a sea-voyage without certificated master and mate, under penalty of not exceeding \$100. (Sec. 6.) Provides that no sailing ship over 100 tons register, and no steamship registered in Canada shall go on a coasting voyage without certificated master, and in case of ships of over 200 tons registered, and of steamships allowed by law to carry more than 40 passengers, without a certificated mate. Certificate must be produced on application for a clearance.

476. SEAMEN'S ACT.

Chapter 43, 23rd July,

Amends Chap. 74, R.S.C., by giving to the master of a ship the same rights, liens and remedies for the recovery of his wages as any seaman, not a master, has for the recovery of wages. It further amends the Act by authorizing the Governor-in-Council to pay any reasonable expense incurred by Imperial authorities for the relief of Canadian seamen found abroad in distress.

477. SAFETY OF SHIPS.

Chapter 44, 23rd July,

Amends Chap. 77, R.S.C., by providing that timber and spars (except five for use) shall not be placed during winter months upon any part of the upper deck of a vessel on a coasting voyage, and that no other cargo (except live stock) shall be placed higher than three feet on the deck, excepting temporarily in case of damage received or feared. Requires Customs officials to see that vessels comply with such provisions as to deck-loads. Provides that no single-decked vessel sailing from Canada to the West Indies, the Bahama and Bermuda Islands, to ports in the Gulf of Mexico (not being ports in the United States of America) shall during winter carry any cargo whatever on deck higher than six feet above the deck. The Act not to apply to British Columbia, and a penalty to be enacted for infringement of fine not to exceed \$800, or, if imprisonment, not less than three months or more than two years. Further provides, under penalty for contravention, that passenger carrying vessels shall be provided with gangways and lights suitable for the business.

478. INSPECTION OF SHIPS.

Chapter 45, 23rd July,

Amends Chap. 37, Acts of 1891, and confers upon every inspector power to visit any and all vessels except ships belonging to Her Majesty, for the purpose of inspecting the loading gear, so as to discover if its continued use is dangerous to life. Gives Minister of Marine power to order the non-use