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*Merchant Shipping Acts Amendment.*

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who makes the same shall have the same powers, as if the survey had been directed by a competent court in the course of proceedings against a seaman or apprentice for desertion or a kindred offence.

*Safety (Part IV. of Merchant Shipping Act, 1854).*

9. In every case of collision between two vessels it shall be the duty of the master of each vessel to give to the master of the other vessel the name of his own vessel, and of her port of registry, or of the port or place to which she belongs, and also the names of the ports or places from which and to which she is bound.

In cases of collision master to give name, &c. of vessel.

Any failure to give such information, except under circumstances which render it impossible or unnecessary to do so (proof of which shall lie on the master failing to give it), shall involve the same consequences as failure to render assistance to the other vessel, or to the master, crew, or passengers thereof.

In this section the term "vessel" includes any vessel used in navigation, however propelled.

10. If complaint is made to the Board of Trade that any British ship is, by reason of the defective condition of her hull or equipments, unfit to proceed to sea, the Board may cause such ship to be surveyed by one of the surveyors appointed by them, and if such surveyor report that the hull or equipments of such ship is or are in such a state that she could not proceed to sea without serious danger to human life, the Board may declare such ship to be unseaworthy, and thereupon any principal officer of Customs may detain such ship.

Power to Board of Trade to declare ship unseaworthy.

Every such complaint shall be in writing, and shall state the name and address of the complainant, and a copy of the complaint, including the name and address of the complainant, shall before or during such survey be given by the Board of Trade to the master or to an owner of the ship.

If, upon such survey, such ship is found to be seaworthy, the expenses of the survey shall be paid to the Board of Trade by the person making the complaint, without prejudice to any right of suit or action against him by any person aggrieved by the complaint.

If, upon such survey, such ship is found to be unseaworthy, the expenses of the survey shall be paid to the Board of Trade by the owner of the ship.

Any shipowner who is dissatisfied with the decision of a surveyor under