Inspection may be made at any time.

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Penalty for running steamboat contrary to order.

41. 1. Any inspector may, at any time, visit any steamboat and inspect and examine the same, and if he considers such steamboat unsafe or unfit to carry passengers, he shall Order of Min report thereon to the minister, who may order that such steamboat shall not be used or run until permitted by him.

: 5 2. Any steamboat run or used in violation of the order of the minister shall be liable to seizure by the chief officer of customs at any port or place or by any person thereunto authorized by the minister and the owner of such steamboat shall incur a penalty of not more than five hundred dollars and not 10

less than fifty dollars.

Penalty for carrying more than lawful number of passengers.

42. The master, owner or person in charge for the time being of any steamboat, in which a greater number of passengers than that allowed by her certificate are, at any time, carried, or in respect of which no certificate authorizing the carriage 15 of passengers has been granted and in which passengers are carried, is guilty of an offence against this Act, and shall, for each such offence, be liable to a penalty not exceeding five hundred dollars and not less than one hundred dollars; and such steamboat shall be liable for the same and chargeable 20therewith; and if such penalty is not paid forthwith the steamboat shall, subject to the directions of the minister, be liable to be seized and sold by any chief officer of customs or any other person thereto directed by the minister; and the said penalty and the costs of conviction and costs of such seizure 25 and sale shall be paid out of the proceeds of such sale and the surplus, if any, shall be paid over to the owner of the steamboat.

Vessel also liable, and may be seized and sold.

BARGES.

Barges, &c., not to be towed unless inspected and certified.

Rules as to passengers and towing alongside.

Inspection fee.

43. 1. No steamboat shall be employed to tow any barge, or any boat, bateau, scow or other vessel having passengers on 30 board, unless such barge, boat, bateau, scow or vessel has been inspected by an inspector of hulls and equipment, and by him certified, according to the form C in the second schedule of this Act, to be fit and properly equipped to carry passengers on the waters on which she is so towed; and no such vessel 35 shall, while so towed, have on board a greater number of passengers than she is certified as being fit to carry, nor shall such boat be towed alongside when there are passengers on the steamboat towing.

2. Every such vessel shall pay an inspection fee of ten 40 dollars for every inspection under this Act, which fee shall be paid to and received by an inspector of hulls and equipment, who shall, at such times and in such manner as the Governor in Council from time to time directs, account for and pay over the same to the Minister of Finance and Receiver General, to 45

form part of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of Canada.