

hospital, not less, for vessels carrying one hundred passengers, than forty-eight superficial feet, with two or four bed-berths erected therein; nor less, for vessels carrying two hundred or more passengers, than one hundred and twenty superficial feet, with six bed-berths therein.

16. Two days in the week shall be appointed by the master as washing days; but no washing or drying of clothes shall on any account be permitted between decks.

17. On Sunday mornings the passengers shall be mustered at ten o'clock A. M. and will be expected to appear in clean and decent apparel. The Lord's day shall be observed as religiously as circumstances will admit.

18. No spirits or gunpowder shall be taken on board by any passenger; and if either of those articles be discovered in the possession of a passenger, it shall be taken into the custody of the master during the voyage, and not returned to the passenger until he is on the point of disembarking.

19. No loose hay or straw shall be allowed below for any purpose.

20. No smoking shall be allowed between decks.

21. All Gambling, fighting, riotous or quarrelsome

behaviour, swearing and violent language, shall be at once put a stop to. Swords and other offensive weapons shall, as soon as the passengers embark, be placed in the custody of the master.

22. No sailors shall be allowed to remain on the passenger deck, among the passengers, except on duty.

23. No passenger shall go to the ship's cook-house without special permission from the master, nor remain in the fore-castle among the sailors on any account.

24. In vessels not expressly required by the said "Passengers' Act, 1849," to have on board such ventilating apparatus as therein mentioned, such other provision shall be made for ventilation as shall be required by the emigration officer, at the port of embarkation, or in his absence by the officers of customs.

25. And to prevent all doubts in the construction of this Order in Council, it is hereby further ordered that the terms "United Kingdom" and "Passenger Ship" shall herein have the same significations as are assigned to them respectively in the said "Passengers' Act, one thousand eight hundred and forty-nine."

And the Right Honourable Earl Grey, one of Her Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State, is to give the necessary directions herein accordingly.

WM. L. BATHURST.

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DOWNING STREET,
18th February, 1850.

SIR;

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your Despatch No. 28, of the 12th of June last, enclosing an Address to the Queen from the House of Assembly of Prince Edward Island, praying that the privileges of Free Ports may be extended to certain Harbours of the Island, as enumerated in a joint Address from the Council and Assembly, transmitted in your predecessor's Despatch, No. 81, of the 27th of April, 1847.

You will acquaint the House of Assembly, that I have laid these Addresses before the Queen, and that Her Majesty was pleased to receive them very graciously.

I have received Her Majesty's commands to instruct you to state to the House, that by the effect of the Act

(2 and 13 Vic. cap. 29, repealing, among other Acts, certain portions of the 8 and 9 Vic. cap. 93, Foreign Ships may resort to any established Port of Entry in Her Majesty's Possessions, without any special designation of such Port by Her Majesty as a free Port; subject however to the provisions of the 4th clause of the above first mentioned Act, which confines the carriage, by sea, from one part of a Colony to another part of the same Colony.

It is therefore unnecessary that any special directions should be given to Her Majesty in Council upon the subject of the Addresses you have transmitted to me.

I am, &c.,

(Signed) GREY.

Lieutenant Governor

Sir DONALD CAMPBELL, Bart.