Costs in such case. 23. The party against whom the council of the board of trade, or chamber of commerce shall decide shall pay all the expenses; and the council shall determine the amount of fees or charges payable in each case, which shall never exceed twenty dollars.

Certificates of Port Warden to be evidence. 24. All certificates issued under the hand of the Port Warden or his Deputy, and sealed with the seal of his office, referring to matters recorded in his books, shall be received as *prima facie* evidence of the existence and contents of such record, in any court in Canada.

Tariff of fees, to be paid to Port Warden, to be made by Board of Trade or Governor in Council. 25. The council of the board of trade or chamber of commerce, if there is one, may, from time to time, establish a tariff of fees to be paid to the Port Warden for services performed by him and his deputies, by the masters or owners of sea-going vessels, and by others in respect of whom the duties of the said Port Warden are required to be performed,—which tariff, being first approved by the Governor in Council, shall be enforced until repealed or altered by the said Governor in Council, or by the said council of the board of trade or chamber of commerce, as it may be at any time, with the approval of the Governor in Council; and when there is no board of trade or chamber of commerce the Governor in Council shall make such tariff; but such fees shall not exceed the rates hereinafter mentioned, that is to say:—

Maximum

Survey of vessel, damaged goods, etc. 1. For every survey and the certificate thereof by the Port Warden and his assistant, of the hatches, and cargo of any vessel, or of the hull, spars and rigging thereof, or the survey of damaged goods, a fee, including the certificate thereof, not exceeding eight dollars each, and such further sum, not exceeding five dollars, as may be payable to shiprights or other skilled persons employed by him:

Valuation and inspection of vessel. 2. For every valuation of a vessel for average, and every inspection of a vessel intended to load, a fee to be graduated according to the tonnage of such vessel, but not in any case to exceed ten dollars:

Hearing and settiing disputes. 3. For hearing and settling disputes of which the Port Warden is authorized to take cognizance, and for the fees on appeal to the council of the board of trade or chamber of commerce, a sum to be graduated according to the value of the thing or the amount in dispute, but in no case to exceed twenty dollars: