Appliances for saving life at Sea.

- (a.) Any surveyor appointed under the Fourth Part of the Merchant Shipping Act, 1854, or any such other person as the Board of Trade may appoint for the purpose, may inspect a ship for the purpose of seeing that the ship is properly provided with appli-ances for saving life at sea in pursuance of the rules, and shall for that purpose have all the powers given to inspectors by section fourteen of the Merchant Shipping Act, 1854 :---
- (b.) If any such surveyor or person finds that any ship is not so provided, he shall give to the master or owner notice in writing, pointing out the deficiency and also what is in his opinion requisite to remedy the same.
- (c.) Every notice so given shall be communicated, in such manner as the Board of Trade may direct, to the Collector of Customs at any port in which the ship may seek to clear or at which her transire is to be obtained, and a collector to whom any such communication is made shall not clear a ship outwards or grant her a transire, or allow her to proceed to sea, without a certificate under the hand of one of the said surveyors or persons appointed by the Board of Trade as aforesaid, to the effect that the ship is properly provided with appliances for saving life at sea in pursuance of the rules,

6. The rules made under this Act shall not apply to any Saving as to sea-fishing boat which is, for the time being, registered in sea-fishing boats. pursuance of the Sea Fisheries Act, 1868.

31 and 32 Vict., c. 45.

7.—(1.) Nothing in this Act shall prevent any person Saving as to from being liable under any other Act, or otherwise, to any other law other law. other or higher penalty or punishment than is provided for an offence by this Act.

Provided that a person shall not be punished twice for the same offence.

(2.) If the court before which the person is charged with an offence punishable by virtue of this Act thinks that proceedings ought to be taken against him for the offence under any other Act or otherwise, the court may adjourn the case to enable such proceedings to be taken.

8. As from the date at which the first rules made under Repsal. this Act come into operation, the enactments specified in