

*Navigation.*

Registry.

‘ Persons whatever hath or have any Right, Title, Interest, Share, or Property therein or thereto ; and that I the said *A. B.* [and the said other Owners, *if any*], am [or are] truly and bonâ fide a Subject [or Subjects] of Great Britain, and that I the said *A. B.* have not [nor have any of the other Owners, to the best of my Knowledge and Belief], taken the Oath of Allegiance to any Foreign State whatever [*except under the Terms of some Capitulation, describing the Particulars thereof*], or that since my taking [or his or their taking] the Oath of Allegiance to [*naming the Foreign States respectively to which he or any of the said Owners shall have taken the same*] I have [or he or they hath or have] become a Denizen [or Denizens, or naturalized Subject or Subjects, *as the Case may be,*] of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, by Her Majesty’s Letters Patent [or by an Act of Parliament, or by or under or by virtue of an Act or Ordinance of the Legislature of \_\_\_\_\_ or have been authorized by an Act or Ordinance of the Legislature of \_\_\_\_\_ to hold Shares in British Shipping within the said Colony, and since the passing of such Act or Ordinance I have [or he or they hath or have] taken the Oath of Allegiance to Her Majesty Queen Victoria] [*naming the Times when such Letters of Denization have been granted respectively, or the Year or Years in which such Act or Acts of Naturalization, or such Colonial Acts or Ordinances, have passed respectively*], and that no Foreigner, directly or indirectly, hath any Share or Part Interest in the said Ship or Vessel :’

Provided always, that if it shall become necessary to register any Ship or Vessel belonging to any Corporate Body in the United Kingdom, the following Declaration, in lieu of the Declaration hereinbefore directed, shall be made and subscribed by the Secretary or other proper Officer of such Corporate Body ; (that is to say,)

‘ I *A. B.*, Secretary or Officer of [*Name of Company or Corporation*], do truly declare, That the Ship or Vessel [*Name*] of [*Port*] whereof [*Master’s Name*] is at present Master, being [*Kind of Build, Burthen, &c., as described in the Certificate of the Surveying Officer*], was [*when and where built, or, if Prize or forfeited, Capture and Condemnation as such*], or [*if the Vessel be Foreign built, and that such Secretary or Officer does not know when and where built,*] that the said Vessel is Foreign built, and that I do not know the Time and Place of the building, and that the same doth wholly and truly belong to [*name the Company or Corporation.*]’

XX. And be it enacted, That notwithstanding that by the said recited Act for the registering of *British Vessels* it is enacted, that in case any Ship, not being duly registered, shall exercise any of the Privileges of a *British Vessel*, the same shall be forfeited, nevertheless all Boats or Vessels under Fifteen Tons Burthen, wholly owned and navigated by *British Subjects*, although not registered as *British Ships*, shall be admitted to be *British Vessels* in all Navigation in the Rivers and upon the Coasts of the United Kingdom or of the *British Possessions* abroad, and not proceeding over Sea, except within the Limits of the respective Colonial Governments within which the managing Owners of such Vessels respectively reside ; and that all Boats or Vessels wholly owned and navigated by *British Subjects*, not exceeding the Burthen of Thirty Tons, and not having a whole or fixed Deck, and being employed solely in fishing on the Banks and Shores of *Newfoundland* and of the Parts adjacent, or on the Banks and

Proviso for Vessels under Fifteen Tons Burthen in Inland Navigation, and for Vessels under Thirty Tons Burthen for the Newfoundland Fishery.