Penalty.

entered into contract or agreement, parole or special, express or implied, to perform labour or service in Canada, shall be deemed guilty of an indictable offence and on conviction thereof shall be punished by a fine of not more than five hundred dollars for every such alien labourer, mechanic or artisan so brought into Canada, and may also be imprisoned for a term not exceeding six months at hard labour.

Exemptions.

5. Nothing in this Act shall be so construed as to prevent any citizen or subject of any foreign country, temporarily residing in Canada, either in his private or his official capacity, from 10 engaging, under contract or otherwise, persons not residents or citizens of Canada, to act as private secretaries, servants or domestics for such foreigner; nor shall this Act be so construed as to prevent any person from engaging, under contract or agreement, skilled workmen in foreign countries to perform 15 labour in Canada in or upon any new industry not at present established in Canada, provided that skilled labour for that purpose cannot be otherwise obtained; nor shall the provisions of this Act apply to professional actors, artists, lecturers or singers, nor to persons employed as personal or domestic ser-20 vants, nor to ministers of any religious denomination, nor to persons belonging to any recognized profession or professors of colleges or seminaries: and nothing in this Act shall be construed as prohibiting any individual from assisting any member of his family to migrate from any foreign country to Canada for 25 the purpose of settlement here.

Duties and powers of Attorney General.

6. The Attorney General of Canada is hereby charged with the duty of executing the provisions of this Act; and for this purpose, he shall have power to enter into contracts with the government of any province of Canada, or any commission, 30 board or officers, designated by the Governor of any such province to take charge of local affairs of immigration, in the ports within such province under the laws and regulations prescribed by the said Attorney General; and it shall be the duty of such provincial government, commission, board or officer, so 35 designated, to examine into the condition of passengers arriving at the ports within such province, in any ship or vessel, and for that purpose all or any of such commissioners, board or officers, or such other person as they appoint, shall go on board of and through any such ship or vessel; and if in such 40 examination there is found among such passengers any person included in the prohibition of this Act, they shall report the fact, in writing, to the collector of such port, and such person shall not be permitted to land.

Regulations.

7. The Attorney General of Canada shall establish such 45 regulations and rules, and issue from time to time such instructions, not inconsistent with law, as he deems best calculated to carry out the provisions of this Act; and he shall prescribe all forms of bonds, entries and other papers to be used under and in the enforcement of the various provisions of this Act.

Provincial authorities. 8. The Attorney General of Canada may designate the board of charities, or commission, or person in any province, whose duty it shall be to execute the provisions of this Act, and shall fix their compensation.