

Certain
passenger
steamers to
be equipped
with
apparatus.

4. From and after the first day of July, one thousand nine hundred and thirteen, no passenger steamer, whether registered in Canada or not,—

(a) licensed to carry fifty or more persons, including passengers and crew, and going on any voyage which is or which includes a voyage of more than two hundred nautical miles from one port or place to another port or place; or, 5

(b) licensed to carry two hundred and fifty or more persons, including passengers and crew, and going on any voyage which is or which includes a voyage of more than ninety nautical miles from one port or place to another port or place; or, 10

(c) licensed to carry five hundred or more persons, including passengers and crew, and going on any voyage which is or which includes a voyage of more than twenty nautical miles from one port or place to another port or place 15

shall leave or attempt to leave any Canadian port unless such steamer is equipped with an efficient radiotelegraph apparatus, in good working order, capable of transmitting and receiving messages over a distance of at least one hundred nautical miles by night and by day, and in charge of a person fully qualified to take charge of and operate such apparatus. 20 25

Penalty.

2. The owner, master or other person in charge of any passenger steamer which leaves or attempts to leave any Canadian port contrary to the provisions of this section shall, on summary conviction, be liable to a fine not exceeding one thousand dollars and costs, and such fine and costs shall constitute a lien upon such passenger steamer. 30

Exception.

3. This section shall not apply to passenger steamers plying on the rivers of Canada, including the River St. Lawrence as far seaward as a line drawn from Father Point to Point Orient, or on the Northumberland Strait, or on the Georgian Bay, or on the lakes of Canada other than lakes Ontario, Erie, Huron and Superior, and the provisions of paragraph (c) of subsection 1 of this section shall not apply to steamers making voyages on lakes Ontario, Erie, Huron and Superior, the regular route for which is not at any point more than seven miles from the shore. 35 40

Exception.

4. This section shall not apply to steamers calling at Canadian ports solely for the purpose of obtaining bunker coal or provisions for the use of such steamer, or through stress of weather, or for repairs. 45

Rules for
transmission
of messages.

5. All persons operating land or cable telegraph lines shall transmit all messages destined to or coming from ship stations via coast stations under such rules as may be made by the Board of Railway Commissioners for Canada.