

“ *Acts for preventing the Desertion and regulating the Shipping of Seamen* ; that I will not, either directly or indirectly, personally, or by means of any other person or persons on my behalf, receive any fee, reward, or gratuity whatsoever, by reason of any function of my office as Shipping Master, except such as are allowed to me by the said Act ; and I will not, directly or indirectly, accept of any bill or draft, bon or note, from any Seaman whatsoever ; and that I will act without partiality, favor or affection, and to the best of my knowledge, skill and capacity ; So help me God.”

Shipping Masters may appoint Deputies.

II. The said Shipping Masters shall be, and they are hereby respectively authorized and empowered to appoint such and so many Deputies for the said Port, as shall by the Council of the Board of Trade at the said Port of Quebec be in the first place judged to be necessary, which said Deputy or Deputies shall have the power and authority given to him or them by this Act, and shall take and subscribe the above oath before any of Her Majesty’s Justices of the Peace, and the same shall be filed in the Office of the Clerk of the Peace for the District of Quebec ; and any Deputy so appointed, shall himself, with two responsible sureties, enter into bond to Her Majesty, Her Heirs and Successors, in the penal sum of two hundred pounds each, for the faithful discharge of his duties, which bond shall enure to the benefit of all parties who may be damnified by the misfeasance, malfeasance or non-feasance of the said Deputy, and all parties damnified shall be entitled to recover from the said Deputy and his sureties, before any Court of competent jurisdiction, upon such bond, by suit or action, to the amount to which they may have been so damnified.

Who shall be sworn and give security.

Persons disqualified as Shipping Master or Deputy.

III. No person selling or vending any spirituous liquors or groceries, tavern-keepers or boarding-house keepers, shall be eligible to the situation of Shipping Master or Deputy.

Where the office of the Shipping Masters shall be kept.

IV. The office of each of the said Shipping Masters shall be established at such place or places in the Port of Quebec as shall be directed by an order of the Council of the Quebec Board of Trade, and may be changed from time to time when deemed expedient by the same authority.

Fees for Shipping Seamen.

V. The Shipping Master at whose office he shall be shipped, shall be entitled to take and receive for each Seaman shipped, the sum of *five shillings* currency, and for every certificate of shipment, if required, the sum of *two shillings and six pence*, from the Master of the Ship or Vessel on board of which such Seaman shall be shipped or to which he shall belong.

Register to be kept.

VI. Each of the said Shipping Masters shall keep a Register of all Seamen shipped, which shall be open for public inspection.