

Merchant Shipping Acts, &c., Amendment.

- (6.) It shall be competent for any Stipendiary Magistrate, and also in *England* for any County Court Judge, in *Scotland* for the Sheriff or Sheriff Substitute of any County, and in *Ireland* for the Recorder of any Borough in which there is a Recorder, or for the Chairman of Quarter Sessions in any County, to exercise the same Jurisdiction in Salvage Cases as is given to Two Justices :
- (7.) It shall be lawful for One of Her Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State to determine a Scale of Costs to be awarded in Salvage Cases by any such Justices or Court as aforesaid :
- (8.) All the Provisions of the Principal Act relating to summary Proceedings in Salvage Cases, and to the Prevention of unnecessary Appeals in such Cases, shall, except so far as the same are altered by this Act, extend and apply to all such Proceedings, whether under the Principal Act or this Act, or both of such Acts.

Receiver
may appoint
a Valuer in
Salvage
Cases.

50. Whenever any Salvage Question arises the Receiver of Wreck for the District may, upon Application from either of the Parties, appoint a Valuer to value the Property in respect of which the Salvage Claim is made, and shall, when the Valuation has been returned to him, give a Copy of the Valuation to both Parties ; and any Copy of such Valuation, purporting to be signed by the Valuer, and to be attested by the Receiver, shall be received in Evidence in any subsequent Proceeding ; and there shall be paid in respect of such Valuation, by the Party applying for the same, such Fee as the Board of Trade may direct.

Jurisdiction
of Court of
Session in
Salvage
Cases.

51. The Words " Court of Session " in the Four hundred and sixty-eighth Section of the Principal Act shall be deemed to mean and include either Division of the Court of Session or the Lord Ordinary officiating on the Bills during Vacation.

Delivery of
Wreck by
Receiver not
to prejudice
Title.

52. Upon Delivery of Wreck or of the Proceeds of Wreck by any Receiver to any Person in pursuance of the Provisions of the Eighth Part of the Principal Act such Receiver shall be discharged from all Liability in respect thereof, but such Delivery shall not be deemed to prejudice or affect any Question concerning the Right or Title to the said Wreck which may be raised by Third Parties, nor shall any such Delivery prejudice or affect any Question concerning the Title to the Soil on which the Wreck may have been found.

Crown
Rights to
Wreck.

53. Whereas by the Principal Act it is provided that the Proceeds of Wreck, if the same is not claimed by the Owner