



CHAPTER 79.

An Act respecting the Navigation of Canadian Waters. A.D. 1886.

HER Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate and House of Commons of Canada, enacts as follows :—

INTERPRETATION.

1. In this Act, unless the context otherwise requires,—
- (a.) The expression “vessel” includes every description of vessel used in navigation ; Interpretation.
“Vessel.”
 - (b.) The expression “ship” includes every description of vessel not propelled by oars ; “Ship.”
 - (c.) The expression “steam-ship” or “steam-boat” includes every vessel propelled wholly or in part by steam or by any machinery or power other than sails or oars ; “Steam-boat
or “steam-
ship.”
 - (d.) The expression “ordinary practice of seamen,” as applied to any case, means and includes the ordinary practice of skilful and careful persons engaged in navigating the waters of Canada in like cases ; “Practice of
“seamen.”
 - (e.) The expression “owner” includes the lessee or charterer of any vessel having the control of the navigation thereof. “Owner.”
- 43 V., c. 29, s. 3.

REGULATIONS FOR PREVENTING COLLISIONS AND FOR DISTRESS SIGNALS.

2. The following rules with respect to lights, fog signals, distress signals, steering and sailing, and rafts shall apply to all the rivers, lakes, and other navigable waters within Canada, or within the jurisdiction of the Parliament thereof, that is to say :—
- Extent of application of the following rules.

Preliminary.

In the following rules every steam vessel which is under sail and not under steam is to be considered a sailing vessel ; and every vessel under steam, whether under sail or not, is to be considered a steam vessel. Steam vessel,
under sail or
under steam.

The word “steam vessel” shall include any vessel propelled by machinery.