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An Ordinance for the more effectual Protection of Her Majesty's Naval and Victualling Stores.

[22nd April, 1868.]

WHEREAS it is expedient for the more effectual Protection of Her Majesty's Naval and Victualling Stores, to provide for the conviction of Persons having the same illegally in their possession;

Preamble.

Be it enacted by the Governor of British Columbia, with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council thereof, as follows:

I. In this Ordinance the term "The Admiralty" means The Lord High Admiral of the United Kingdom, or the Commissioners for executing the Office of the Lord High Admiral;

Interpretation of terms.

The term "Dealer in Marine Stores" means every Person dealing in, buying and selling Anchors, Cables, Sails, or Old Junk, Old Iron, or Marine Stores of any description, and every such person is hereby bound to conform to the regulations of "The Merchant Shipping Act, 1854," Sections 480, 481, and 482;

The term "Dealer in Old Metals" shall mean any Person dealing in, buying and selling Old Metal, scrap Metal, broken Metal, or partly manufactured Metal Goods, or defaced or Old Metal Goods, and whether such Person deals in such Articles only, or together with second hand Goods or Marine Stores; and the term "Old Metals" shall mean the said Articles;

The term "in Her Majesty's Service" when applied to Persons applies also to Persons in the employment of the Admiralty;

The term "Stores" includes any single Store or Article.

II. The marks described in the Schedule to this Ordinance may be applied in or on Her Majesty's Naval and Victualling Stores to denote Her Majesty's property in Stores so marked.

Marks in Schedule appropriated for Her Majesty's Naval and Victualling Stores.

It shall be lawful for the Admiralty, their Contractors, Officers, and Workmen to apply the said marks or any of them to, in, or on any such Stores as are described in the said Schedule.

If any Person without lawful authority (proof of which authority shall lie on the party accused) applies any of the said marks in or on any such Stores, he shall be guilty of a Misdemeanor, and shall be liable to be imprisoned for any term not exceeding Two Years, with or without hard labour.

Imitation a Misdemeanor.

III. From and after the passing of this Ordinance, if any Person with intent to conceal Her Majesty's Property in any Naval or Victualling

Obliteration with intent to conceal Her Majesty's property, Felony.