THE NEWFOUNDLAND ALMANAC.

Rules and Regulations

Made by the Governov in Council, for carrying out An Act respecting Certificates to Masters and Mates, 38 Victoria, Cap. 4, St. John's, Newfoundland,

GENERAL RULES.

1.---All applicants for examination shall pay, previous to examination, to the Colonial Secretary, the following mentioned fees :----

For a Certificate as Master. Ten Dollars: for a Certificate as Mate, Five Dollars: and in the event of any applicant failing to procure his Certificate of qualification on his first examination, he will be entitled to a second examination without payment of any additional fee; but if he fail to procure his Certificate of qualification on such second examination, he shall pay the same fee previous to any subsequent examination as is hereby required to be paid previous to a first examination for the Certificate he seeks to procure.

2.—Testimonials of character, sobriety, experience, ability and good conduct on board ship will be required of all applicants, and without producing them no person will be examined: and as such testimonials may require examination, it is desirable that they should be lodged as early as possible.

3.-Services of Scamen that are not verified by the production of a Certificate of Discharge or a Certificate from the Shipping Master at St. John's, or the Assistant Collector at Harbor Grace, stating that such Seaman did serve in the vessel specified, and in the capacity, and for the period clalmed, will not be accepted **unless the applicant** produce satisfactory documentary evidence, either from the Master he sailed with, or from the Owners of the vessel he sailed in, stating the time he served in the vessel and the capacity in which he served. Service as Second Mate in New-foundland registered vessels, will on no account be allowed to count as Mate's service, unless the rating be conclusively shewn to be applicable to the class of vessel. Whenever a man has been regularly promoted, on a vacancy in the course of the voyage, to the rank of Master or Mate, such promotion and its date must be verified by a Certificate either from the Master or the **Owner of the vessel, to enable him to receive credit for his service** in a higher grade.

3. a. Candidates for the ordinary Certificate of Master, First Mate, Only Mate or Second Mate, will be required to prove that they have served at sea, at least Twelve Months, in a square rigged sailing vessel.

In a case where an applicant for a Certificate of Master, First Mate, Only Mate or Second Mate, has only served in fore-and-aft rigged vessels and is ignorant of the management of square rigged vessels, he may obtain a Certificate on which the words "Foreand-aft rigged", vessel will be written; this Certificate will not entitle the holder to act in a square rigged vessel.

A Candidate possessing a Certificate for "Fore-and-aft rigged" vessels, and desiring to obtain an ordinary Certificate of the same grade, must prove that he has served at sea at least Twelve Months in a square rigged sailling vessel, and will be examined in Navigation and Scamanship. He will be required to pay half the usual fee.

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