

made by any such Seaman of such Wages, or of any Attachment or Incumbrance thereon; and that no Assignment or Sale of Wages made prior to the earning thereof, nor any Power of Attorney expressed to be irrevocable for the receipt of any such Wages, shall be valid or binding upon the party making the same.

XIII. And be it further enacted, That upon the discharge of a Seaman from the Ship in which he shall have served, he shall be entitled to receive from the Master a Certificate of his Service and Discharge, specifying the period of Service and the time and place of the Discharge of such Seaman, which Certificate shall be signed by the Master; and if any Master shall refuse to give such Certificate to any such Seaman, without having reasonable cause for his refusal, he shall, for every such offence, forfeit and pay to him the sum of Five Pounds.

Seamen entitled
to Certificate of
service.

XIV. And be it further enacted, That if after a Seaman shall have been discharged from any Ship or Vessel Three Days he shall be desirous of proceeding to Sea on another Voyage, and in order thereto, shall require immediate payment of the Wages due to him, it shall be lawful for any Justice of the Peace, in any part of this Island, on application from such Seaman, and on satisfactory proof that he would be prevented from employment by delay, to summon the Master or Owner of such Ship or Vessel before him, and to require cause to be shown why immediate payment of such Wages should not be made; and if it shall appear to the satisfaction of such Justice that there is no reasonable cause for delay, he shall order payment to be made forthwith, and in default of compliance with such Order, such Master or Owner shall forfeit and pay the sum of Five Pounds.

Payment of
Wages delayed.