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*Merchant Shipping Acts, &c., Amendment.*

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Book or received by the Registrar, and without Prejudice to the Powers of Disposition and of giving Receipts conferred by the said Act on registered Owners and Mortgagees, and without Prejudice to the Provisions contained in the said Act relating to the Exclusion of unqualified Persons from the Ownership of *British Ships*, Equities may be enforced against Owners and Mortgagees of Ships in respect of their Interest therein, in the same Manner as Equities may be enforced against them in respect of any other Personal Property.

Tonnage Rates under Local Acts may be levied on the registered Tonnage.

4. Any Body Corporate or Persons having Power to levy Tonnage Rates on Ships may, if they think fit, with the Consent of the Board of Trade, levy such Tonnage Rates upon the registered Tonnage of the Ships as determined by the Rules for the Measurement of Tonnage for the Time being in force under the Principal Act, notwithstanding that the Local Act or Acts under which such Rates are levied provides for levying the same upon some different System of Tonnage Measurement.

*Certificates for Engineers (Part III. of Merchant Shipping Act, 1854).*

Steam Ships to carry Certificated Engineers.

5. On and after the First Day of *June*, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-three, every Steam Ship which is required by the Principal Act to have a Master possessing a Certificate from the Board of Trade shall also have an Engineer or Engineers possessing a Certificate or Certificates from the Board of Trade as follows ; that is to say,

- (1.) Engineers Certificates shall be of Two Grades, viz., First class Engineers Certificates," and Second class Engineers Certificates":
- (2.) Every Foreign-going Steam Ship of one hundred nominal Horse Power or upwards shall have as its First and Second Engineers Two Certificated Engineers, the first possessing a "First class Engineers Certificate," and the second possessing a "Second class Engineers Certificate" or a Certificate of the higher Grade :
- (3.) Every Foreign-going Steam Ship of less than one hundred nominal Horse Power shall have as its only or First Engineer an Engineer possessing a "Second class Engineer's Certificate" or a Certificate of the higher Grade :
- (4.) Every Sea-going Home Trade Passenger Steam Ship shall have as its only or First Engineer an Engineer possessing a "Second class Engineer's Certificate" or a Certificate of the higher Grade :
- (5.) Every Person who, having been engaged to serve in any of the above Capacities in any such Steam Ship as aforesaid, goes to Sea in that Capacity without being at the Time entitled to and possessed of such Certi-