

their respective jurisdictions, and to the owners, masters, mates, and crews thereof as aforesaid,—Be it enacted by the authority of the said Imperial statute, that from and after the passing of this Act it shall and may be lawful for the Board of Trade for the said city and port of

Board of Trade to appoint three Shipping-masters, who shall have the powers given by the said Imperial Act.

- 5 Quebec and their successors for the time being, and they are hereby fully authorised and empowered to nominate, constitute and appoint three or more persons who are capable and fully understand the business of hiring, engaging, supplying and shipping seamen, and who may be desirous of being so appointed, for the purpose of hiring, engaging,
- 10 supplying and shipping seamen, to be entered on board merchant ships and vessels in the Port of Quebec as aforesaid; and every such appointment shall be granted for such period of time as the said Board of Trade and their successors for the time being shall see fit, and upon such security been given as hereinafter mentioned, and shall be revocable for
- 15 any breach or non performance of duty after a due and proper investigation by the said Board of Trade and their successors for the time being, who shall have full power and authority to appoint others in their stead as often as the case may happen; and such Shipping Masters when so appointed as aforesaid, and as long as they shall remain in office, shall,
- 20 in all respects, have the same powers and authority as to the hiring, engaging, supplying, shipping, and discharging of seamen and all such other powers and authority as are vested in Shipping Masters in the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland and in as full and ample a manner as they possess the same.

- 25 III. The said Shipping Masters, and each and every of them, shall, previous to their acting in such capacity, enter into Bonds to the said Board of Trade, with two responsible securities, in the sum of hundred dollars, for the true and faithful discharge of their duties, which Bonds shall enure to the benefit of all parties who may be damnified by
- 30 the misfeasance, malfeasance, or nonfeasance of the said Shipping Masters, or any or either of them, as the case may be, and all parties damnified shall be entitled to recover from any of them, and his sureties, before any court of competent jurisdiction, to the amount to which they have been damnified.

Shipping-masters to give bonds.

- 35 IV. Every such appointment shall be granted, and every revocation thereof shall be made by minute or resolution of the said Board of Trade, and their successors for the time being, and a copy of such minute or resolution, certified and signed by the Secretary of the said Board of Trade, shall be received in evidence of such appointment or revocation
- 40 without further proof.

Appointment or revocation of appointment, how made.

- V. The Shipping Master at whose office any Seaman or Apprentice shall be shipped, shall be entitled to take and receive for his own use and benefit, for each Seaman or Apprentice so shipped by him, the sum of *one dollar*, and no more, and for any certificate of shipment, if re-
- 45 quired, the sum of *fifty cents*, and no more, from the Master of the ship or vessel on board of which such Seaman or Apprentice shall be shipped, or to which he shall belong.

Fees of shipping masters.

- VI. Each of the said Shipping Masters shall keep a register of all Seamen or Apprentices shipped by him, which shall be open for public
- 50 inspection.

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- VII. No person selling or vending any spirituous liquors or groceries, nor any tavern keeper, boarding house keeper, or any person dealing in

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