

BILL.

An Act respecting the admeasurement and registration of Vessels.

(NOTE.—*The clauses printed between brackets, thus [], are proposed to be struck out at the third reading.*

WHEREAS the rule of admeasurement of vessels contained in Preamble-
the Act "*respecting the registration of inland vessels,*"
forming chapter forty-one of the Consolidated Statutes of the late
Province of Canada, being the same as that contained in the Acts
5 of the Imperial Parliament in force on the 17th day of March,
1845, differs from that contained in the Act of the Imperial Par-
liament known as "*The Merchant Shipping Act, 1854,*" and Acts
amending the same; and whereas it is desirable that but one rule
of admeasurement of vessels should prevail in Canada, and that
10 inland vessels in Canada should not be subject to provisions of
law in some other respects different from those to which other
Canadian vessels are subject: Therefore Her Majesty, by and with
the advice and consent of the Senate and House of Commons of
Canada, enacts as follows:

15 **1.** The said Act "*respecting the registration of inland vessels,*"
forming chapter forty-one of the Consolidated Statutes of the late
Province of Canada, is hereby repealed; but all things done under
the provisions of the said Act, and all rights acquired by virtue of
such provisions, shall remain good and valid, and all penalties and
20 forfeitures incurred under the said Act may be sued for and en-
forced, and all prosecutions for any such penalty or forfeiture in-
curred may be continued and completed as if the said Act had not
been repealed.

Con. Stat. of
Canada, cap.
41, repealed.

2. And whereas, by the five hundred and forty-seventh section
25 of "*The Merchant Shipping Act, 1854,*" it is enacted and provided
that the Legislative Authority of any British possession shall have
power by any Act or Ordinance confirmed by Her Majesty in
Council to repeal, wholly or in part, any provisions of the said
Act relating to ships registered in such possession; so much of the
30 said Act and of any other Act amending the said Act and forming
part of the same, as is inconsistent with this Act, or as prevents,
or may be construed to prevent, the said Acts, or any of them,
from applying to vessels navigating the inland waters of Canada
and not proceeding to sea, is hereby repealed with respect to ships
35 registered in Canada.

Inconsistent
provisions of
Imp. Stat. 17
and 18 Vict.,
c. 104, re-
pealed.

3. For and notwithstanding any exemption contained in the
nineteenth or any other section of the said Act, or in any Act
amending the said Act, no vessel propelled, either wholly or in
part, by steam, belonging wholly to owners of the description
40 mentioned in the eighteenth section of the said Act, employed
solely in navigation on the rivers or coasts of Canada, and the
managing owners whereof are resident in Canada shall be deemed

Steamers of
whatever bur-
den to be re-
gistered.