15. This Act shall come into operation upon, from and after the Act not to day, not being earlier than the first day of January, one thousand come into force until af eight hundred and seventy-one, appointed for that purpose in ter approval any Proclamation by the Governor to the effect that the same has by H. M. in 5 been confirmed and approved by Her Majesty in Council, which Proclamation day is hereinafter referred to as the commencement of this Act.

16. And whereas, by section five hundred and forty seven of the Act of the Parliament of the United Kingdom, passed in Section 547 of the Session thereof held in the seventeenth and eighteenth years c. 1854 cited, 10 of Her Majesty's Reign, chapter one hundred and four, "to amend and inconsistand consolidate the Acts relating to Merchant Shipping" known ent provisions as "The Merchant Shipping Act, 1854," it is enacted, that the pealed. legislative authority of any British possession shall have power, by any Act or Ordinance, confirmed by Her Majesty in Council, 15 to repeal, wholly or in part, any provisions of the said Act relating to ships registered in such possession; therefore, upon, from and after the commencement of this Act, so much of the provisions of

the said Act, and of any Act of the said Parliament amending the same, and forming and to be construed as part thereof, relating 20 to ships registered in Canada, as is inconsistent with this

Act shall be repealed; and sections one, two, three, four, five, six, seven and eight of part the first "Of Shipping and Seamen," Sections 1 to of chapter seventy-five of the Revised Statutes of Nova Scotia R. S. N. S. (third series) shall also be repealed upon, from and after the same repealed.

25 date; but this repeal shall not affect the past operation of any of the said provisions or sections, or the validity of anything already done, or of any certificate already granted, or any right, title, obligation or liability already accrued thereunder.