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An Act further to amend the Act respecting the certificates to Masters and Mates of Ships.

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An Act further to amend the Act respecting Certificates to Masters and Mates of Ships.

HER Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate and House of Commons of Canada, enacts as follows:—

1. Section 17 of the *Act respecting certificates to Masters and Mates of Ships*, chapter 73 of the Revised Statutes, is hereby repealed and the following substituted therefor:— R.S.C., c. 73, new section 17.

“ 17. The Board of Trade in the United Kingdom, or the Minister, may suspend or cancel the certificate, whether of competency or service, of any master or mate or second mate of a sea-going ship who has received a certificate from such Minister, in the following cases, that is to say: if upon any investigation duly authorized by the Minister under *The Wrecks and Salvage Act*, such master or mate is reported to be incompetent, or to have been guilty of any gross act as misconduct, drunkenness or tyranny; or it is reported that the loss or abandonment of, or serious damage to any ship, or loss of life, has been caused by his wrongful act or default; or if it is shown, to the satisfaction of the said Board of Trade, or of the said Minister, that such certificate was granted on false or erroneous information.” Suspension and cancellation of certificates.

2. The said Act is hereby further amended by adding the following sections thereto after section 25:— Sections added.

“ 26. The Minister, upon a report of a duly appointed and qualified examiner of masters and mates, may grant a temporary certificate as master to an applicant sufficiently qualified by his knowledge and experience to take charge of a steam-boat of not more than ten tons, gross tonnage, and certificated to carry not more than ten passengers, plying within specified limits in the minor inland waters of Canada,—which steam-boat and limits shall be described in the certificate. Temporary certificate.

“ 2. Such temporary certificate may be issued and be in force for a term not exceeding one year, but may be suspended or cancelled for cause by the Minister. Duration.

“ 3. For every such temporary certificate the applicant shall pay the sum of five dollars. Fee.

“ 4. No person who holds a certificate issued under this section, and no person who employs him as holding such certificate, shall be liable to any of the penalties provided by this Act if he is acting on the vessel and within the limits specified in the said certificate.” Exemption from penalty in such case.

“ 27. All pecuniary penalties imposed under the authority of this Act may be recovered by summary proceedings as provided by part LVIII. of *The Criminal Code*, 1892.” Recovery of penalties.