This Public Bill originated in the Legislative Council, and having this day passed as now printed is transmitted to the House of Representatives for its concurrence.

Legislative Council, 13th August, 1889.

Hon. Sir F. Whitaker.

SHIPPING AND SEAMEN'S ACT AMENDMENT.

ANALYSIS.

Title.

1. Short Title.

2. Application of "The Shipping and Seamen's Act, 1877," to all vessels on inland navigable waters.

3. Repeal of section 182 of the original Act. New provision.

4. Repeal of section 191 of original Act. New scale of fees for survey of steamships.

5. Master of steamship plying in restricted limits not to possess certificate of competency in certain cases. Schedule.

A BILL INTITULED

An Act to amend "The Shipping and Seamen's Act, 1877." BE IT ENACTED by the General Assembly of New Zealand in Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:—

1. The Short Title of this Act is "The Shipping and Seamen's Short Title.

Act Amendment Act, 1889."

2. The provisions of "The Shipping and Seamen's Act, 1877" Application of "The (hereinafter termed "the said Act"), shall extend to every descrip-samen's Act, tion of vessel used in navigation not propelled by oars, trading or inland navigable on inland navigable 10 plying on, or being at any place in or upon, any navigable lake or waters. other inland navigable water of New Zealand, and whether registered pursuant to the Act of the Imperial Parliament known as "The Merchant Shipping Act, 1854," or not so registered.

3. Section one hundred and eighty-two of the said Act is hereby Repeal of section

15 repealed, and in lieu thereof it is enacted:—

Every steamship shall be surveyed at least once in every year, in New provision. the manner in the said Act mentioned: Provided that the Governor may from time to time make, alter, and revoke regulations that steamers of any particular description or class, or not exceeding any 20 particular size, shall be surveyed at least once in every six months.

4. Section one hunded and ninety-one of the said Act is hereby Repeal of section

repealed, and in lieu thereof it is enacted:-

The owner of every steamship requiring a certificate under the New scale of fees Third Part of the said Act as amended by this Act shall pay for ships. 25 every such certificate as aforesaid such fees as the Minister directs from time to time, not exceeding the fees mentioned in the Schedule hereto.

Title.

182 of the original

191 of original Act.

No. 84-2.

Master of steamships plying in restricted limits not to possess certificate of competency in certain cases. 5. Notwithstanding anything in the said Act provided, it shall not be necessary for the master of a steamship plying in restricted limits, which ship does not hold a certificate of survey authorising the carriage of passengers, to possess a certificate of competency or service; and it shall be lawful for the Minister from time to time in writing to permit any steamship carrying passengers on any navigable lake or inland navigable water of the colony to do so without being under the charge of a master holding such certificate of competency or service, and such permission may at any time be revoked.

Schedule.

SCHEDULE.

FEES FOR SURVEY OF STEAMERS.

	In respect of a certificate issued for six months.			a cer issued	In respect of a certificate issued for over six months.		
	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	
For vessels under 60 tons register	 3	0	0	6	0	0	
" from 60 to 100 tons	 4	0	0	8	0	0	
" from 100 to 300 "	 6	0	0	12	0	0	
" from 300 to 600 "	 7	0	0	14	0	0 -	
Every additional 300 tons an addition of	 1	0	0	2	0	0	
Maximum fee in any case	 10	0	0	20	0	0	

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