

SUPPLEMENTARY ORDER PAPER.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

Wednesday, the 9th Day of September, 1903.

SHIPPING AND SEAMEN BILL.

Hon. Mr. HALL-JONES, in Committee, to move the following amendments :—

Section 21, paragraph (b). After the word "limits," to insert the words "and is fitted with machinery the area of cylinder or combined area of cylinders of the propelling machinery of which does not exceed five hundred circular inches."

Section 21, subsection (1). To add the following paragraph :—

(kk.) If the ship is a steamship plying within river and extended river limits, and is fitted with machinery the area of cylinder or combined area of cylinders of the propelling machinery of which exceeds five hundred circular inches, then with an engineer holding a sea-going certificate of a grade not less than that of second-class engineer :

Provided that the holder of a river engineer's certificate who has been engineer of such a steamship, the area of whose cylinders exceeded five hundred circular inches, for a period of not less than six months before the commencement of this Act may be engineer of any steamship authorised to ply within river and extended river limits.

Section 39, subsection (1). To add the following proviso :—

Provided that, subject to the master signing the agreement, the chief engineer may, by the master's direction, engage the greasers, firemen, and trimmers.

Section 50. After the word "seaman" in the first line of subsection (5), to insert the words "who is carried in accordance with the requirements of the *Third* Schedule hereto" ; and to add to the subsection the following proviso :—

Provided that in cases where one or more of the boilers of a steamship are not in use, and the greasers, firemen, and trimmers carried are sufficient in accordance with the requirements of the *Third* Schedule hereto for a steamship of the horse-power developed when the whole of the boilers are in use, those greasers, firemen, and trimmers in excess of the number required by the said Schedule for a steamship of the horse-power developed by the boilers actually in use may, with their consent, be employed in a capacity other than that for which they were engaged.

Section 51. Omit the words "drawing a red-ink line through" in the third line, and insert in lieu thereof the words "stamping the word 're-engaged' over" ; and add the following new subsection :—

(3A.) Every person who enters into an agreement with a seaman who does not possess the proper qualifications under this Act for the position for which the seaman is engaged is liable to a fine not exceeding ten pounds.

Section 53. To insert the following further proviso after the word "turbine":—

Provided further that the Minister may exempt hulks while being towed from one port to another from the requirements of the whole or part of this section, subject to such conditions as he may see fit.

Section 55. To add the following proviso to subsection (1): "Provided that, subject to the master signing such certificate of discharge, the chief engineer may, by the master's direction, discharge the greasers, firemen, and trimmers"; and to insert the following new subsection:—

(2A.) If the master fails to comply with the provisions of subsections (1) and (2) of this section he shall, in addition to the penalties provided for thereby, be liable to pay the seaman or officer the sum of one day's pay for every day or part of a day during which such certificate of discharge or certificate of competency is withheld.

Section 74. To omit from paragraph (b) the words "her final port of discharge in New Zealand, consequent on the completion of a round voyage," and substitute the words "the port where her articles of agreement were taken out"; and to add the following as the first proviso to this paragraph:—

Provided that if the ship does not return to such port for a period of two months after leaving it such notice may, after the expiration of that period, be given at any port.

Section 171, subsection (4). To omit the word "Minister" in the third line, and substitute the word "Secretary" in lieu thereof; and to substitute the word "Secretary" for "Minister" in the marginal note.

Section 172. To omit the word "Minister" in the first line, and substitute the word "Secretary" in lieu thereof; and to substitute the word "Secretary" for "Minister" in the marginal note.

Section 175. To omit the word "Minister" in the first lines of subsections (1) and (2), and substitute the word "Secretary" in lieu thereof.

Section 176. To add the following words to the section: "And the fees directed to be paid for certificates of steamships not authorised to carry passengers may be less than those for certificates for passenger-steamships."

Section 193. After the word "machinery" in the fifth line, to insert the following words: "or has been in collision with another ship."

Section 225. After the word "voyage" in the seventh line, to insert the words "when proceeding at ordinary full speed."

Section 228. After the word "fuel" in the fourth line, to insert the words "for the intended voyage when proceeding at ordinary full speed."

Section 229. Omit the words "fuel or ballast" in the seventh line, and substitute the words "ballast or fuel for the intended voyage when proceeding at ordinary full speed."

Section 232. After the word "ship" in the first line of clause (c), to insert the following words: "has been in collision with or."

Third Schedule. In the last paragraph but one, to delete the words "indicated at the ordinary full speed of the steamer," and substitute the words "assessed on the average horse-power indicated during the previous six months as shown by the engineer's log-book."

To add to the Seventh Schedule the following:—

FEEs FOR SURVEY OF SAILING-SHIPS.

	Six Months.			Twelve Months.			
	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	
For ships not exceeding 20 tons register	1	10	0	2	0	0
" from 20 to 60 tons register	2	0	0	2	10	0
" from 60 to 100 "	2	10	0	4	0	0
" from 100 to 200 "	3	0	0	5	0	0
" from 200 to 300 "	4	0	0	6	0	0
" from 300 to 400 "	5	0	0	7	0	0
" from 400 to 500 "	6	0	0	8	0	0
" from 500 to 600 "	7	0	0	9	0	0
For every additional 300 tons, an addition of	0	10	0	1	0	0
Maximum fee in any case	8	0	0	12	0	0