

office is shut for public holidays. With this exception, writers will only receive pay for the hours or part of hours, during which they actually attend.

14. No person who has been trained, either wholly or partially, at the public expense, for the occupation of a teacher in schools in connection with the Committee of Council for Education, or the Board of National Education, Ireland, is eligible for employment as a writer unless he shall have first obtained the consent of the Treasury.

AT the Court at *Balmoral*, the 19th day of *August*, 1871.

PRESENT.

The QUEEN's Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

WHEREAS by "The Merchant Shipping Act Amendment Act, 1862," it is enacted that "whenever it is made to appear to Her Majesty that the rules concerning the measurement of tonnage of merchant ships for the time being in force under the principal Act have been adopted by the Government of any foreign country, and are in force in that country, it shall be lawful for Her Majesty, by Order in Council, to direct that the ships of such foreign country, shall be deemed to be of the tonnage denoted in their certificates of registry or other national papers and thereupon it shall no longer be necessary for such ships to be re-measured in any port or place in Her Majesty's dominions, but such ships shall be deemed to be of the tonnage denoted in their certificates of registry or other papers, in the same manner, to the same extent, and for the same purposes in, to and for which the tonnage denoted in the certificates of registry of British ships is to be deemed the tonnage of such ships;" And whereas it has been made to appear to Her Majesty, that the rules concerning the measurement of tonnage of merchant ships now in force under "The Merchant Shipping Act, 1854," have been adopted by His Imperial and Royal Majesty the Emperor King of Austro-Hungary and are in force in the Austro-Hungarian dominions:

Her Majesty is hereby pleased by and with the advice of Her Privy Council, to direct that the ships of Austro-Hungary, the certificates of Austro-Hungarian nationality and registry of which are dated on or after the first day of September, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-one, shall be deemed to be of the tonnage denoted in the said certificates of Austro-Hungarian nationality and registry.

Edmund Harrison.

AT the Court at *Balmoral*, the 19th day of *August*, 1871.

PRESENT.

The QUEEN's Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

WHEREAS by "The Merchant Shipping (Colonial) Act, 1869," it is (among other things) enacted that where the Legislature of any British possession provides for the examination of, and grant of certificates of competency to, persons intending to act as masters, mates, or engineers on board British ships, and the Board of Trade reports to Her Majesty that they are satisfied that the examinations are so conducted as to be equally efficient as the examinations for the same purpose

in the United Kingdom under the Acts relating to Merchant Shipping, and that the certificates are granted on such principles as to show the like qualifications and competency as those granted under the said Acts, and are liable to be forfeited for the like reasons and in the like manner, it shall be lawful for Her Majesty, by Order in Council:—

1. To declare that the said certificates shall be of the same force as if they had been granted under the said Acts:
2. To declare that all or any of the provisions of the said Acts which relate to certificates of competency granted under those Acts shall apply to the certificates referred to in the said Order:
3. To impose such conditions, and to make such regulations with respect to the said certificates, and to the use, issue, delivery, cancellation, and suspension thereof, as to Her Majesty may seem fit, and to impose penalties not exceeding fifty pounds for the breach of such conditions and regulations:

And that upon the publication in the London Gazette of any such Order in Council as last aforesaid, the provisions therein contained shall from a date to be mentioned for the purpose in such Order, take effect as if they had been contained in the Act; and that it shall be lawful for Her Majesty in Council to revoke any Order made under this section:

And whereas the Legislature of the British possession of Canada has provided for the examination of and grant by the Minister of Marine and Fisheries in the said possession of certificates of competency for sea-going ships to persons intending to act as masters or mates on board British sea-going ships, which certificates are hereinafter denominated Colonial Certificates of Competency, and the Board of Trade have reported to Her Majesty that they are satisfied that the said examinations are so conducted as to be equally efficient as the examinations for the same purpose in the United Kingdom, under the Acts relating to Merchant Shipping, and that the certificates are granted on such principles as to show the like qualifications and competency as those granted under the said Acts, and are liable to be forfeited, for the like reasons and in the like manner:

Now therefore, Her Majesty, in exercise of the power vested in Her by the said recited Act, by and with the advice of Her Privy Council, is pleased.

- (1.) To declare that the said Colonial Certificates of Competency granted by the Minister of Marine and Fisheries in the said possession of Canada shall be of the same force as if they had been granted under the said Acts, that is to say, the said Colonial Certificates of Competency as Masters of such sea-going ships shall be of the same force as if they were Certificates of Competency as Masters of foreign going ships, granted under the said Acts, and the said Colonial Certificates of Competency as Mates of such sea-going ships shall be of the same force as if they were Certificates of Competency as First Mates of foreign-going ships granted under the said Acts.
- (2.) To declare that all the provisions of the said Acts which relate to Certificates of Competency for the foreign trade granted under those Acts, except the 139th section of "The Merchant Shipping Act, 1854," and so much