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PRESENT,

The QUEEN's Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

HEREAS 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 qualification 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 uuder 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 as aforesaid.

And whereas by the Merchant Shipping Acts, 1854 to 1876, it is provided that Her Majesty may, by Order in Council, revoke, alter, or add to any Order in Council made by Her under the said Acts:

And whereas by Order in Council dated the twenty-ninth day of June, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-two, Her Majesty has been pleased to declare that (subject to certain conditions and regulations therein contained) the Colonial Certificates of Competency granted by the duly constituted authorities in the British possessions of Bengal, Bombay, Malta, New South Wales, New Zealand, Queensland, South Australia, Tasmania, and Victoria, to persons intending to act as Masters, Mates, and Engineers, of British ships, and by the Governor of New-foundland and the Minister of Marine and Fisheries in the possession of Canada, to persons intending to act as Masters or Mates on board British sea-going ships shall be of the same force as if they had been granted under the said Acts relating to Merchant Shipping:

And whereas the Legislature of the British Possession of Canada has by "The Steamboat Inspection Act, 1882," and by "An Act further to amend the Steamboat Inspection Act, 1882," further provided for the examination by the Board of Steamboat Inspection in the said possession of persons intending to act as First Class Engineers and Second Class Engineers on board

T the Court at Windsor, the 10th day of | British ships, and for the grant to such persons by the Minister of Marine and Fisheries in the said possession of Certificates of Competency as First Class Engineers and Second Class Engineers for sea-going British ships, which certificates are hereinafter also 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 to First and Second Class Engineers, and are liable to be forfeited for the like reasons, and in the like manner:

And whereas it has been made to appear to Her Majesty that it is expedient that the said recited Order in Council of the twenty-ninth day of June, one thousand eight hundred and eightytwo, should be altered by the revocation of the conditions and regulations set out in the schedule thereto, and the substitution therefor of the conditions and regulations set out in the schedule hereto:

Now, therefore, Her Majesty, in exercise of the powers vested in Her by the first recited Act, by and with the advice of Her Privy Council, is

1. To declare that the said Colonial Certificates of Competency granted by the Minister of Marine and Fisheries in the Possession of Canada on and after the first day of January, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-seven, to persons intending to act as First Class Engineers and Second Class Engineers of sea-going British ships shall be of the same force as if they had been Certificates of Competency granted under the said Acts to First or Second Class Engineers.

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 so much of the one hundred and thirty-ninth section of "The Merchant Shipping Act, 1854," and the tenth section of "The Merchant Shipping Act Amendment Act, 1862," as requires the delivery by the Board of Trade to any master, mate, or engineer of a copy of any certificate to which he appears to be entitled as therein mentioned, so much of the third paragraph of the twenty-third section of the said lastmentioned Act as requires at the conclusion of a case relating to the cancelling or suspending of a certificate, such certificate, if cancelled or suspended, to be forwarded to the Board of Trade, and the whole of the provisions of the fourth paragraph of the same section shall apply to such Colonial Certificates of Competency.

3. To impose and make the conditions and regulations set out in the schedule hereto, numbered I to 10 respectively, with respect to the said Colonial Certificates of Competency, and to the use, issue, delivery, cancellation, and suspension thereof, and to impose for the breach of such conditions and regulations the penalties therein mentioned.

4. To revoke the conditions and regulations numbered 1 to 10 respectively, set out in the schedule to the Order in Council of the twentyninth day of June, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-two, and to substitute therefor the conditions and regulations set out in the schedule hereto, numbered 1 to 10 respectively, and to declare that from and after the date hereof, the conditions and regulations set out in the schedule