

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,
1st November, 1871.

(Hon. Mr. Sewell.)

Merchant Ships Officers Examination.

ANALYSIS.

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| <p>Title.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Short Title. 2. Certificate of service to whom deliverable. 3. Engineer's certificates of service to be delivered on proof of service. 4. Interpretation of the term "domiciled in New Zealand." | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 5. Fresh interpretation of the term "home-trade ship." 6. Provisions contained in sections 241 and 242 of the Imperial Merchant Shipping Act 1854 and sections 11 and 23 of the Imperial Merchant Shipping Act Amendment Act 1862 to apply. |
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A BILL INTITLED

AN ACT to amend "The Merchant Ships Officers Examination Act 1870." Title.

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 shall be "The Merchant Ships Officers Examination Act Amendment Act 1871" and it shall be read as part of and deemed to be incorporated with "The Merchant Ships Officers Examination Act 1870." Short Title.

2. Certificates of service differing in form from certificates of competency shall be granted as follows (that is to say):— Certificate of service to whom deliverable.

10 (1.) Every person who before the first day of January one thousand eight hundred and seventy-one served as Master of a foreign-going ship and had his usual place of residence in New Zealand for a period of not less than three years then next preceding or who has attained or attains a rank in the service of Her Majesty not lower than that of Navigating Sub-Lieutenant shall be entitled to a certificate of service as Master for foreign-going ships.

17 and 18 Vict. c. 104 s. 135.

20 (2.) Every person who before the first day of January one thousand eight hundred and seventy-one served as a Mate of a foreign-going ship and had his usual place of residence in New Zealand for a period of not less than three years then next preceding shall be entitled to a certificate of service as Mate for foreign-going ships.

25 (3.) Every person who before the first day of January one thousand eight hundred and seventy-one has served as Master of a home-trade ship and had his usual place of residence in New Zealand for a period of not less than three years then next preceding shall be entitled to a certificate of service as Master for home-trade passenger ships.

30 (4.) Every person who before the first day of January one thousand eight hundred and seventy-one has served as Mate of a home-trade ship and had his usual place of residence in New Zealand for a period of not less than three years then next preceding shall be entitled to a certificate as Mate for home-trade passenger ships.

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- (5.) Every person who before the first day of January one thousand eight hundred and seventy-one has served as Master of a steam ship having a "River Certificate" shall be entitled to a certificate as Master for harbour and river steamers. 5

And each of such certificates of service shall contain particulars of the the name place and time of birth and of the length and nature of the previous service of the person to whom the same is delivered and it shall be lawful for the Governor to appoint an officer or officers to grant such certificates and such officer or officers shall deliver such certificates of service to the various persons so respectively entitled thereto upon their proving themselves to have attained such rank or to have served as aforesaid and upon their giving a full and satisfactory account of the particulars aforesaid. 15

Engineer's certificates of service to be delivered on proof of service.

3. Certificates of service for Engineers differing in form from certificates of competency shall be granted as follows that is to say:—

- (1.) Every person who before the first day of January one thousand eight hundred and seventy-one has served as First Engineer in any foreign-going steam ship of one hundred nominal horse-power or upwards or who has attained or attains the rank of Engineer in the service of Her Majesty shall be entitled to a "First Class Engineer's Certificate" of service. 20

- (2.) Every person who before the first day of January one thousand eight hundred and seventy-one has served as Second Engineer in any foreign-going steam ship of one hundred nominal horse-power or upwards or as First or only Engineer in any sea-going steam ship or who has attained or attains the rank of First Class Assistant Engineer in the service of Her Majesty shall be entitled to a "Second Class Engineer's Certificate" of service. 25

Each of such certificates shall contain particulars of the name place and time of birth and the length and nature of the previous service of the person to whom the same is delivered and the officer or officers appointed by the Governor as aforesaid shall deliver such certificates of service to the various persons respectively entitled thereto upon their proving themselves to have attained such rank as to have served as aforesaid and upon their giving a full and satisfactory account of the particulars aforesaid. 30

Fresh interpretation of the term "home-trade ship."

4. The construction of the term "home-trade ship" expressed in the fifth section of "The Merchant Shipping Acts Adoption Act 1869" is hereby repealed. 35

After the passing of this Act the term "home-trade ship" shall mean and include all ships employed in trading to and fro on the Coast of New Zealand but not to or from the Chatham Islands the Auckland Islands or Campbell Island. 40

Provisions contained in sections 241 and 242 of the Imperial Merchant Shipping Act 1854 and sections 11 and 23 of the Imperial Merchant Shipping Act Amendment Act 1862 to apply.

5. The provisions contained in the two hundred and forty-first and the two hundred and forty-second sections of an Act of the Imperial Parliament intituled "The Merchant Shipping Act 1854" and in the eleventh and twenty-third sections of an Act of the Imperial Parliament intituled "The Merchant Shipping Act Amendment Act 1862" relative to investigating cases of alleged incompetency and misconduct and to the cancelling or suspending of certificates in certain cases are hereby adopted and the same shall apply to all certificates of service issued under this Act and to all certificates of competency granted to Master Mates and Engineers under any regulations for the time being in force in New Zealand. 45