

ANNO DECIMO-SEXTO

VICTORIÆ REGINÆ,

No. 14.

By His Excellency SIR WILLIAM THOMAS DENISON, Knight, Lieutenant-Governor of the Island of Van Diemen's Land and its Dependencies, with the Advice and Consent of the Legislative Council.

AN ACT for extending certain Provisions of The Mercantile Marine Act, 1850, in certain Cases, to Vessels registered in this Colony, and the Owners, Masters, Mates, and Crews thereof. [6th October, 1852.]

HEREAS by the Mercantile Marine Act, 1850, it is enacted, PREAMBLE. that if the respective Legislative Authorities in any of Her Majesty's Sect. 121 of Mer-Colonies or Possessions think fit, by any Acts, Orders, or other cantile Marine appropriate legal Means, to apply or adopt any of the Provisions in the said Act contained to any British Ships registered at, trading with, or being at any Place within their respective Jurisdictions, and to the Owners, Masters, Mates, and Crews thereof, such Provisions, when so applied and adopted as aforesaid, and as long as they remain in force, shall in respect of the Ships and Persons to which the same are applied be enforced, and Penalties and Punishments for the Breach thereof shall be recovered and inflicted throughout Her Majesty's Dominions, in the same Manner as if such Provisions had been thereby so adopted and applied, and such Penalties and Punishments had been thereby expressly imposed—AND WHEREAS it frequently happens that the Crews of Ships registered in the Colony have been engaged in the United Kingdom, and elsewhere, under Agreements not in the Form required by the Law of the Colony, but in that required by the said Mercantile Marine Act, 1850; and such Crews, not being subject either to the Laws in force in the Colony relating to Merchant Seamen, or to the Provisions of the said Mercantile Marine Act, 1850, desert from their Ships, and commit other Offences against Discipline with Impunity, to the great Detriment of the Colonial Merchant Service; and, for Remedy thereof, it is expedient, in pursuance of the Power in the said Mercantile Marine Act, 1850, in that behalf contained, and herein-16 Vict. No. 14.

Certain Provisions of the Mercantile Marine Act, 1850, extended to Cases where Crews of Colonial Vessels have been engaged under Agreements in the Form required by that Act.

before recited, to extend and apply certain Provisions of the same Act to such Cases—BE IT THEREFORE ENACTED by His Excellency SIR WILLIAM THOMAS DENISON, Knight, Lieutenant-Governor of the Island of Van Diemen's Land and its Dependencies, by and with the Advice and Consent of the Legislative Council of the said Island, That, from and after the passing of this Act, such Provisions of the Mercantile Marine Act, 1850, as relate to Desertion, Absence without Leave, and other Offences and Misconduct—the Health, Accommodation, Treatment, and Discipline of the Crew—the Advance, Allotment, and Payment of Wages-and to the Discharge of the Crew, shall extend and apply to every Mate, Seaman, and Member of the Crew of any British Ship or Vessel registered in or trading with this Colony, or being at any Port or Place therein, who has or shall have entered into an Agreement in the Form required by the said Mercantile Marine Act, 1850, and shall also, in respect of every such Mate, Seaman, and Member of the Crew, extend and apply to every such Ship or Vessel and to the Owner or Owners, and Master thereof.

RICHARD DRY, Speaker.

Passed the Legislative Council this sixth day of October, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-two.

FR. HARTWELL HENSLOWE, Clerk of the Council.

In the name and on the behalf of Her Majesty I assent to this Act.

W. DENISON,
Lieut.-Governor,

Government House, Hobart Town, 8th October, 1852.