

Extension of Act to West Indies, Western Africa, Malta, and the Mauritius.

XXXVII. And whereas it is expedient to provide in certain cases for the regulation of voyages from the Colonies; be it therefore enacted, That this Act shall, except as hereinafter is excepted, extend and apply to the carriage of passengers by sea from any of the British West Indies, in which term are included the British West India Islands, the Bahamas, and British Guiana, and from Malta, and from the British possessions in Africa, and from the Mauritius, to any other place whatsoever.

Power to Governors of other Colonies to adopt the Act.

XXXVIII. And be it enacted, That it shall be lawful for the Governor or officer administering the Government of any British Colony not enumerated in the enactment lastly hereinbefore contained to declare by Proclamation, to be issued for that purpose, that this Act, except as hereinafter is excepted, shall be extended and shall apply to the carriage of passengers by sea from such Colony to such places as may by him be named for the purpose in such Proclamation, and thereupon this Act shall be thenceforth so extended and shall so apply accordingly.

Governors empowered to declare computed length of voyage.

XXXIX. And be it enacted, That it shall be lawful for the Governor or officer administering the Government of any of the British Colonies to which this Act, as respects the carriage of passengers by sea therefrom, has been hereby extended or shall have been extended by Proclamation, as hereinbefore is mentioned, by any Proclamation or Proclamations to be by him from time to time issued for that purpose, to declare the rule of computation by which the length of the voyage of any ship carrying passengers from such Colony to any other place shall be estimated for the purposes of this Act: Provided nevertheless, that this Act shall not except as respects the West Indies, and except as hereinafter is mentioned, extend or apply to any such voyage, if the length thereof so computed shall not be three weeks or upwards.

Proviso.

The Governor, &c. may issue Proclamation substituting other articles of food, &c. if equivalent.

XL. And be it enacted, That it shall be lawful for the Governor or officer administering the Government of any of the British Colonies to which this Act has, as respects the carriage of passengers by sea therefrom, been hereby extended, or shall have been so extended by Proclamation as hereinbefore is mentioned, by any Proclamation or Proclamations to be by him from time to time issued for that purpose, to substitute for the articles of food and provisions specified in this Act such other articles of food and provisions as shall be a full equivalent for the same.

Such Proclamation to be transmitted for Her Majesty's confirmation or disallowance.

XLI. Provided always, and be it enacted, That every such Proclamation as aforesaid, or as hereinafter is mentioned, shall be transmitted by the Governor or officer by whom the same may have been issued to Her Majesty, through one of Her Majesty's principal Secretaries of State, for Her Majesty's confirmation or disallowance; and in case the same shall be disallowed by any order to be made by Her Majesty for that purpose, with the advice of Her Privy Council, then from and after the promulgation of any such order in Council within any such Colony any such Proclamation shall cease to be of any force or authority, but until so disallowed the same shall be duly observed and obeyed: Provided also, that on the production at any one of the Colonies aforesaid of an attested copy of any such Proclamation as aforesaid, or as hereinafter is mentioned, under the hand of the Governor or the officer administering the Government of the Colony wherein the same may have been issued, and under the public seal of such Colony, such attested copy shall, in the Colony wherein the same shall be so produced, be received as good and sufficient evidence of the issuing and of the contents of any such Proclamation.

Attested copy of such Proclamation to be received as evidence in the Colony in which it may be produced.

Powers for determining the Seaworthiness of any ship vested in Governors, &c.

XLII. And be it enacted, That all the powers and authorities which are hereinbefore vested in the Collector and Comptroller of the Customs, for determining the seaworthiness of any Ship carrying passengers from any Port in the United Kingdom, shall, in respect of any Ship carrying passengers from any Port in any of the Colonies aforesaid, be and the same are hereby vested in the respective Governors or officers administering the Government of the said Colonies respectively.

No Bond required for voyages from the Colonies.

XLIII. Provided always, and be it enacted, That as respects the voyages from the Colonies it shall not be necessary for the master, owner, or charterer of any Ship carrying passengers on any such voyage to enter into any such Bond as is hereinbefore required to be entered into by the master and owner or charterer of any Ship carrying passengers on any such voyage as hereinbefore mentioned.

Exception of certain provisions of this Act in the case of voyages from the Colonies.

XLIV. Provided also and be it enacted, That the provisions of this Act shall not extend or apply to voyages from the Colonies, so far as relates to the following subjects; (namely,)

The keeping copies of the Act on board: