

AT the Court at *Windsor*, the 28th day of *June*, 1875.

PRESENT,

The QUEEN's Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

WHEREAS by "The Passengers' Act, 1855," it is, amongst other things, enacted that, before any passenger ship shall be cleared out, the Emigration Officer at the port of clearance shall satisfy himself that there is on board a sufficient quantity of pure water, carried in tanks or casks, to secure throughout the intended voyage the issue of three quarts daily to each statute adult, for the use of the passengers, exclusive of the quantity required for cooking :

And whereas by the said Act it is also enacted that it shall be lawful for Her Majesty, by any Order in Council, to prescribe such rules and regulations as to Her Majesty may seem fit, for permitting the use on board passenger ships of an apparatus for distilling water, and for defining, in such case, the quantity of fresh water to be carried in tanks or casks for the passengers, and such Order in Council from time to time to alter, amend, and revoke, as occasion may require :

And whereas by "The Merchant Shipping Act, 1872," it is enacted that all powers and duties vested in or imposed on the Emigration Commissioners, whether acting independently or under the sanction or authority of one of Her Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State, by "The Passengers' Act, 1855," and "The Passengers' Act Amendment Act, 1863," shall be transferred to and imposed on the Board of Trade :

And whereas Her Majesty, by an Order in Council, dated the sixth day of May, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-seven, prescribed certain rules for permitting the use on board passenger ships propelled wholly by steam engines of not less power than is sufficient, without the aid of sails, to propel the ship at the rate of five statute miles an hour, having on board, in tanks or casks, only half the quantity of pure water required by the said Act to be carried for the use of the passengers, of an efficient apparatus for distilling fresh water from salt water :

And whereas Her Majesty, by an Order in Council, dated the fifth day of December, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-five, prescribed certain rules and conditions for permitting the use on board passenger ships propelled by sails only, or by steam engines of less power than is sufficient, without the aid of sails, to propel the ship at the rate of five statute miles per hour, of an efficient apparatus for distilling fresh water from salt water, of the description commonly known either as Normandy's Patent, as Winchester and Graveley's Patent, or as Chaplin and Company's Patent :

And whereas it is expedient to revoke the said recited Orders in Council, and to issue in lieu thereof the Order hereinafter contained :

Now, therefore, Her Majesty doth by and with the advice of Her Privy Council, and in pursuance and in exercise of the authority vested in Her by the said "Passengers' Act, 1855," hereby revoke the said Order in Council of the sixth day of May, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-seven, and the said Order in Council of the fifth day of December, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-five, except in so far as the latter repeals a certain Order in Council of the ninth day of January, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-three, and doth hereby order as follows :—

Any passenger ship, whether propelled by steam engines or by sails only, or by sails and steam

engines, may be cleared out and proceed on her voyage, having on board in tanks or casks only half of the quantity of pure water required by the said Act to be carried for the use of the passengers, provided that the following rules and regulations be observed, that is to say.

1. That there be on board such ship an efficient apparatus for distilling fresh water from salt water of such a description as the Board of Trade may from time to time approve.

2. That the owners, charterers, or master of such ship, before clearance, lodge with the Emigration Officer at the port of clearance, a certificate from one of the Engineer Surveyors appointed by the Board of Trade, declaring that the apparatus is in good working condition, and that within seven days immediately preceding the date of such certificate the same had been examined by him, and stating the number of imperial gallons of pure fresh water which it is capable of producing in every twenty-four hours, and further declaring that the apparatus on board is such as has been approved by the Board of Trade as aforesaid.

3. That in every case such Emigration Officer shall be satisfied that the number of gallons of pure water which the apparatus is so certified to be capable of producing in every twenty-four hours, is a number of gallons equal to the whole number of persons about to proceed on the intended voyage of such ship, that is to say, one gallon per head for the whole number of cabin passengers, passengers, and crew.

4. That there is rated on the ship's articles, and that there is on board the ship, some person or persons who, to the satisfaction of the said Emigration Officer, shall be competent for the proper management and repair of such distilling apparatus ; and to prevent all doubts on the construction of this Order in Council, it is hereby further ordered that the terms "Emigration Officer," "Statute Adult," "Master," and "Passenger Ship," shall herein have the same significations as are assigned to them in the said "Passengers Act, 1855," and "The Passengers Act Amendment Act, 1863," respectively, and the term "Board of Trade," shall herein have the meaning assigned to it by "The Merchant Shipping Act, 1854."

C. E. Fevl.

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The QUEEN's Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

WHEREAS the Ecclesiastical Commissioners for England have, in pursuance of the Act of the fifty-ninth year of His Majesty King George the Third, chapter one hundred and thirty-four ; of the Act of the second and third years of Her Majesty, chapter forty-nine ; and of the Act of the nineteenth and twentieth years of Her Majesty, chapter fifty-five, duly prepared and laid before Her Majesty in Council a representation, bearing date the twenty-ninth day of April, in the year one thousand eight hundred and seventy-five, in the words following ; that is to say :

"We, the Ecclesiastical Commissioners for England, in pursuance of the Act of the fifty-ninth year of His Majesty King George the Third, chapter one hundred and thirty-four ; of the Act of the second and third years of your Majesty, chapter forty-nine ; and of the Act of the nineteenth and twentieth years of your Majesty, chapter fifty-five, have prepared ; and now