

order that he may be enabled to understand the purport and meaning of the engagement he enters into, and the terms to which he is bound.

IX. Every such agreement shall be in the form and shall contain true entries under their respective heads, of the several particulars, as set forth in the Schedule to this Act annexed, marked (A), so far as the same can be ascertained; and the owner and master of every such ship, or one of them, shall, on reporting his ship's arrival at her port or destination in this Island, deposit, or cause to be deposited with the Controller of Customs and Navigation Laws, at such port, a true copy of such agreement, attested by the signature of the master, to the intent that every person who may be interested in any such agreement, may at all times have the means of knowing the terms and conditions thereof.

X. If any master of any such ship as aforesaid, shall carry out to sea, any seaman (apprentices excepted) without having first entered into such agreement, as is hereby required, he shall for every such offence, forfeit and pay a sum not exceeding five pounds, for, or in respect of each and every seaman he shall so carry out contrary to this Act; and if any master shall neglect to cause the agreement to be distinctly read over to each of such seamen, as by this Act he is enjoined, he shall for every such neglect, forfeit and pay the sum of five pounds; and if any master shall neglect to deposit with the Controller of Customs and Navigation Laws, a copy of the agreement hereby required to be made, and deposited as aforesaid; or who shall wilfully deposit a false copy of any such agreement, he shall for every such neglect or offence, forfeit and pay a sum not exceeding five pounds.

XI. If any person or persons shall aid, entice, or assist any seaman to desert from any such ship or vessel, or shall provide or procure, or cause to be provided or procured for any seaman, the means or assistance to desert, from any such ship or vessel, or shall aid or assist any seaman in the removal of their hammocks, clothing or apparel, from on board of any such ship or vessel, or shall convey any seaman from any such ship or vessel, without the sanction of the master or commander of such ship or vessel, such person or persons so offending, shall upon conviction of any such offence, be liable to the same penalties and forfeitures as are prescribed in the fourth section of this Act, to be recovered and applied as hereinbefore provided.

XII. If any person receives or takes into his possession, or under his control, any moneys, documents or effects of any seaman, or apprentice to the sea service, and does not return the same, or pay the value thereof when required by such seaman or apprentice, subject to such deduction as may be justly due to him from such seaman or apprentice, in respect of board and lodging, or otherwise, or absconds therewith, he shall incur a penalty not exceeding ten pounds; and any two Justices of the Peace, may, besides inflicting such penalty, by summary order, direct the amount or value of such moneys, documents or effects, subject to such deduction as aforesaid, to be forthwith paid to such seaman or apprentice.

XIII. Every person who not being in Her Majesty's service, and not being duly authorized by law

for the purpose, goes on board any ship or vessel about to arrive at the place of her destination in this Island, before she comes to anchor, or is moored, without the permission of the master, shall for every such offence incur a penalty not exceeding five pounds and the master or person in charge of such ship or vessel, may take any such person so going on board as aforesaid, into custody, and deliver him up forthwith to any constable or peace officer, to be by him taken before a Justice or Justices of the Peace, to be dealt with according to the provisions of this Act.

XIV. If within twenty-four hours after the arrival of any such ship or vessel as aforesaid, at any port in this Island any person then being on board such ship or vessel, solicits any seaman to become a lodger at the house of any person letting lodgings for hire, or takes out of such ship or vessel any effects of any seaman, except under his personal direction, and with the permission of the master, he shall for every such offence incur a penalty not exceeding five pounds.

XV. The master or owner of every ship, shall pay to every seaman his wages, within the respective periods following, that is to say, within two days after the cargo shall have been delivered, or within five days after the seaman's discharge, whichever shall first happen; and in all cases, the seaman shall, at the time of his discharge, be entitled to be paid on account a sum equal to one fourth part of the estimated balance due to him; and in case any master or owner shall neglect or refuse to make payment in manner aforesaid, he shall for every neglect or refusal, forfeit and pay to the seaman the amount of two days pay, for every day not exceeding ten days, during which payment shall without sufficient cause be delayed beyond the period at which such wages or part of wages, are hereby required to be paid as aforesaid; for the recovery of which forfeiture, the seaman shall have the same remedies as he is by law entitled to, for the recovery of his wages: Provided always, that nothing in this clause contained, shall extend to the cases of seamen employed in ships on voyages for which by the terms of their agreement, they are compensated by shares in the profit of the adventure.

XVI. Every such payment of wages to a seaman, shall be valid and effectual in law, notwithstanding any Bill of Sale or assignment, which may have been made by any such seaman of such wages, or of any attachment or incumbrance thereon; and that no assignment or sale of wages made prior to the earning thereof, nor any power of attorney expressed to be irrevocable, for the receipt of any such wages, shall be valid or binding upon the party making the same.

XVII. A seaman's right to wages and provisions, shall be taken to commence either at the time at which he commences work, or at the time specified in the agreement, for his commencement of work or presence on board, whichever first happens.

XVIII. No seaman shall by any agreement, forfeit his lien upon the ship, or be deprived of any remedy for the recovery of his wages, to which he would otherwise have been entitled; and every stipulation in any agreement inconsistent with any provision of this Act; and every stipulation by which any seaman consents to abandon his right to wages in the case of the loss of the ship, or to abandon any right which he may have or obtain in the nature of salvage, shall be wholly inoperative.

XIX. No right to wages shall be dependent on the earning of freight, and every seaman and apprentice who would be entitled to demand and recover any wages of the ship in which he has served, had earned freight, shall, subject to all other rules of law and conditions applicable to the case be entitled to claim and recover the same, notwithstanding that freight has not been earned; but in all cases of wreck or loss of the ship, proof that he has not exerted himself to