

No. 15 of 1893.

An Ordinance to amend "The Ceylon Court of Admiralty Ordinance, 1891."

Preamble.

WHEREAS it is expedient to amend "The Ceylon Court of Admiralty Ordinance, 1891," hereinafter referred to as "the principal Ordinance:" Be it therefore enacted by the Governor of Ceylon, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council thereof, as follows :

To be read with principal Ordinance, No. 2 of 1891.

Short title.

1 This Ordinance shall be read as one with the principal Ordinance, and may be cited as "The Ceylon Court of Admiralty Ordinance, 1893," and this Ordinance and the principal Ordinance may be cited collectively as "The Ceylon Court of Admiralty Ordinances, 1891 and 1893."

Section 22 of Ordinance No. 2 of 1891 amended.

Rules of court.

2 For section 22 of the principal Ordinance the following section shall be substituted, namely :

(1) Rules of court for regulating the procedure and practice (including fees and costs) in the colonial court of admiralty and district courts in the exercise of the jurisdiction conferred by this Ordinance, whether original or appellate, may be made by the judges of the Supreme Court

or any two of them, of whom the Chief Justice shall be one, and in the same manner as general rules and orders may be made under the provisions of section 53 of "The Courts Ordinance, 1889."

Provided that the rules under this section shall not extend to matters relating to the slave trade, and shall not (unless otherwise ordered by Her Majesty in Council) come into operation until they have been approved by Her Majesty in Council, but on coming into operation shall have full effect as if enacted in this Ordinance; and any enactment inconsistent therewith shall, so far as it is so inconsistent, be repealed.

(2) The rules made under this section may provide for the exercise of any jurisdiction conferred by this Ordinance on the colonial court of admiralty by the full court or by any judge or judges thereof, and subject to any rules any judge of the Supreme Court may exercise in all actions, causes, and matters which come before such court sitting as a court of first instance, and not as a court of appeal, all or any part of the jurisdiction by this Ordinance conferred or intended to be conferred on the Supreme Court.

14th December, 1893.
