No. 3 of 1888.

An Ordinance to amend the Ordinance No. 7 of 1863, relating to Merchant Shipping.

WHEREAS it is expedient to amend, in the particulars hereinafter mentioned, the Ordinance No. 7 of 1863, intituled "An Ordinance relating to Merchant Shipping:" Be it therefore enacted by the Governor of Ceylon, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council thereof, as follows:

Preamble.

1 This Ordinance shall be construed and read as one with the Ordinance No. 7 of 1863, herein referred to as "the principal Ordinance," and with "The Merchant Shipping Amendment Ordinance, 1884."

To be read as one with Ordinance No. 7 of 1863 and Ordinance No. 3 of 1884.

2 So much of section 1 as contains the meanings assigned to the expressions "coastwise ship" and "foreign-going ship" is hereby repealed, and in lieu thereof the following enactment shall take effect:

"Coastwise ship" and "foreigngoing ship" defined.

Merchant Shipping.

- (1) "Coastwise ship" shall include every ship employed in trading or going between any ports or places in this island or between any such port or place and any port or place on the coast of India between Bombay and Calcutta.
- (2) "Foreign-going ship" shall include every ship employed in trading or going between some port or place in this island and some port or place beyond the limits of this island, excepting that part of the coast of India which lies between Bombay and Calcutta.

Sections 9, 10, and 11 of Ordinance No. 7 of 1863 repealed. 3 Sections 9, 10, and 11 of the principal Ordinance are hereby repealed, and in lieu thereof the following enactments shall take effect:

Examinations.

(1) Examinations shall be instituted for persons who intend to become masters or mates of coastwise ships or foreign-going ships registered in this island, of the burthen of fifty tons and upwards, or who wish to procure certificates of competency hereinafter mentioned.

Examiners.

(2) The Governor shall from time to time nominate two or more competent persons as examiners, and make rules as to the conduct of such examinations and as to the qualifications of the various classes of applicants, and such rules shall be strictly adhered to by the examiners. Fees at the following rates shall be paid to the examiners by all applicants for examination:

Fees.

	Of a Foreign- going Ship.			Of a Coast- wise Ship.		
	Rs.	C.		Rs.	C.	
For a certificate as master	20	0		10	0	
For a certificate as mate	10	0		5	0	

Certificates of competency.

(3) The examiners shall deliver to every applicant who has passed the examination satisfactorily, and who has given satisfactory evidence of his sobriety, experience, ability, and general good conduct on board ship, a certificate, hereinafter called a "certificate of competency," to the effect that he is competent to act as master or mate of a coastwise ship registered in this island, or as master or mate of a foreign-going ship registered in this island, as the case may be.

28th November, 1888.