Bankrupt's Household Furniture, &c. to be made, which shall not be sold without the Order of a Commissioner.

under his Hand, request the Assignees not to dispose of the same, such Household Furniture, Tools, or Implements of Trade shall not be disposed of by the Assignees without previous Order of the Commissioner; and the Commissioner may, upon the Application of the Bankrupt, postpone the Removal and Sale of the same for such Time as the Commissioner, in the Exercise of his Discretion, shall think fit, having regard to the probable Value of the other Property of the Bankrupt, and he may permit and suffer the same to remain in the Use and Occupation of the Bankrupt, upon such Terms and Conditions and with such Security as to the Commissioner may seem proper, so as to protect the same from being made liable to or sold for the Payment of any Rent, Rates, or Taxes which might become due thereafter for or on account of any House or Premises wherein such Property may be placed, and from being made liable to be sold for the Payment of any Debt, Claim, or Demand whatsoever by reason of being in the Possession and Occupation of the Bankrupt; and the Commissioner may, at any Time when he shall think it necessary so to do, order the same to be taken by the Messenger or Assignee, and to be sold for the Benefit of the Creditors.

If the Bankrupt shall be entitled to any Allowance, his Household Furniture, &c. to be taken in lieu of Money.

XXVII. If the other Estate and Effects of the Bankrupt shall in the due Administration thereof pay to the Creditors such an Amount of Dividend as shall entitle the Bankrupt to an Allowance in Money, and the Household Furniture, Tools, and Implements of Trade so contained in the last-mentioned Inventory and Valuation shall not have been sold, the Bankrupt shall accept the same at the Valuation so originally put upon the same, or a sufficient Portion thereof, to be selected by him, with the Approbation of the Assignees, as and for his Allowance instead of Money; and such Articles of Household Furniture, Tools, and Implements of Trade so accepted shall be delivered to him, and shall thereupon, without any Deed of Assignment, revest in the Bankrupt as his own Property, and the Official Assignee shall sell for the Benefit of the Creditors such Portions of such Articles as the Bankrupt shall not be entitled to retain, and such Deduction may be made from his Allowance for any Diminution in Value in such Articles occasioned by his having continued to use them since the Bankruptcy as the Commissioner may think reasonable (to be either paid by the Bankrupt in Money or the Amount thereof in Value retained in Goods).

Construction. Short Title.

XXVIII. This Act shall be construed, together with the Bankrupt Law Consolidation Act, 1849, as One Act, and may be cited as "The Bankruptcy Act, 1854."

CAP. CXX.

An Act to repeal certain Acts and Parts of Acts relating to Merchant Shipping, and to continue certain Provisions in the said Acts. [11th *August* 1854.]

'WHEREAS by "The Merchant Shipping Act, 1854," the Acts relating to Merchant Shipping are amended and consolidated, and it is expedient to repeal certain Acts and Parts of Acts relating to Merchant Shipping, and to make temporary Provisions with respect to certain of the Matters referred to in the said Acts:' Be it therefore enacted by the Queen's most Excellent Majesty, by and with the Advice and Consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the Authority of the same, as follows:

Preliminary.

Short Title of Act.

I. This Act may be cited for all Purposes as "The Merchant Shipping Repeal Act, 1854."

Interpretation of Terms in this Act.

II. In the Construction and for the Purposes of this Act the Interpretation of Terms contained in "The Merchant Shipping Act, 1854," shall be considered as incorporated with and forming Part of this Act.

Commencement of Act.

III. With the Exception of such Provisions of this Act as are herein-after expressly stated to be intended to come into operation immediately after the passing thereof, this Act shall come into operation at the same Time as the Merchant Shipping Act, 1854.

IV. There

IV. There shall be hereby repealed— Repeal of Acts mentioned in Schedule.

The several Acts and Parts of Acts set forth in the First Schedule hereto, to the Extent to which such Acts or Parts of Acts are therein expressed to be repealed, and all such Provisions of any other Acts or of any Charters, and all such Laws, Customs, and Rules as are inconsistent with the Provisions of the Merchant Shipping Act, 1854:

Provided that such Repeal shall not affect—

(1.) Any Provisions contained in the Act of the Seventh Year of His late Majesty King *William* the Fourth, Chapter Seventy-nine, as to Title, Application of Purchase Money, or borrowing Money, and having relation to the Power of purchasing Lighthouses given to the *Trinity House* by the same Act:

(2.) Any Security duly given before this Act comes into operation:

(3.) Anything duly done before this Act comes into operation:

(4.) Any Liability accruing before this Act comes into operation:

(5.) Any Penalty, Forfeiture, or other Punishment incurred or to be incurred in respect of any Offence committed before this Act comes into operation:

(6.) The Institution of any Investigation or legal Proceeding or any other Remedy for ascertaining, enforcing, or recovering any such Liability, Penalty, Forfeiture, or Punishment as aforesaid:

(7.) Any Appointment, Byelaw, Regulation, or Licence duly made or granted under any Enactment hereby repealed, and subsisting at the Time when this Act comes into operation; and the same shall continue in force, but shall be subject to such Provisions of the Merchant Shipping Act, 1854, as are applicable thereto respectively.

V. The Local Marine Boards, the Members of which have been appointed or elected under the Mercantile Marine Act, 1850, shall continue to act until the Fourth Day of *February* One thousand eight hundred and fifty-seven, or until other Boards have been constituted in lieu thereof in pursuance of the Provisions of the Merchant Shipping Act, 1854. Continuation of Local Marine Boards.

VI. The Fourth and Ninth Sections of "The Pilotage Law Amendment Act, 1853," shall be construed as if the Fifth Part of "The Merchant Shipping Act, 1854," were therein referred to, in lieu of the Act of the Sixth Year of King *George* the Fourth, Chapter One hundred and twenty-five. Construction of Sections 4. & 9. of the Pilotage Law Amendment Act, 1853.

VII. The Board of Trade may, out of the Mercantile Marine Fund, direct Payment to to be made of such Expenses for establishing and maintaining on the Coasts of the United Kingdom proper Life Boats, with the necessary Crews and Equipments, and for affording Assistance towards the Preservation of Life and Property in Cases of Shipwreck and Distress at Sea, and for the granting Rewards for the Preservation of Life in such Cases, as it thinks fit; and this Section shall come into operation immediately after the passing of this Act. Expenses of Life Boats, &c. may be charged on Mercantile Marine Fund.

VIII. Nothing in the Merchant Shipping Act, 1854, or in this Act, contained shall operate to prevent the Exercise of the Powers contained in the Twelfth and Sixteenth Sections of the Merchant Shipping Law Amendment Act, 1853, of paying the Debts, Liabilities, and Expenses therein mentioned out of the Mercantile Marine Fund: And whereas it was arranged that a Sum to be ascertained by the Calculation of Actuaries should before the said last-mentioned Act came into operation be paid by the *Trinity House* out of the Cash Balances then in their Hands for the Purpose of supplying a Deficiency in the Funds of the Cinque Ports Pilots, and of indemnifying the Funds of the *Trinity House* Pilots against any Loss consequent upon the Settlements to be made under the Pilotage Law Amendment Act, 1853: And whereas when the Merchant Shipping Law Amendment Act, 1853, came into operation, the said Calculation was not completed: Be it enacted, That such Payment may, with the Consent of the Board of Trade, be made by the *Trinity House* in the same Manner as Payment of the Debts, Liabilities, and Expenses referred to in the said Twelfth Section of the said last-mentioned Act; and this Section shall come into operation immediately after the passing of this Act. Existing Liabilities on Mercantile Marine Fund continued.

IX. All

Provision as to Wages, &c. received before 1852. 13 & 14 Vict. c. 102. s. 31.

IX. All Monies arising from any Wages and Effects of deceased Seamen or Apprentices to the Sea Service which were received before the First Day of *January* One thousand eight hundred and fifty-two shall be applied in the same Manner as if the same had been received under the Provisions of "The Merchant Shipping Act, 1854."

Receiver General to conform to Directions of Board of Trade.

X. The Receiver General of Droits of Admiralty shall, as to all Things to be done by him in virtue of his Office, conform to all lawful Directions given for that Purpose by the Board of Trade; and on a Vacancy occurring in his Office no Successor shall be appointed, but thereupon all Powers and Privileges vested in such Receiver General shall be transferred to the Board of Trade; and this Section shall come into operation immediately after the passing of this Act.

Powers of Board of Trade as to Appointment of Receivers.

XI. Receivers appointed by the said Receiver General under the Act of the Tenth Year of the Reign of Her present Majesty, Chapter Ninety-nine, shall hold their Offices only during the Pleasure of the Board of Trade; and the Serjeants of the Admiralty of the Cinque Ports, their Deputies or other Officers, authorized to perform the Duties and to exercise the Powers within the Jurisdiction of the Cinque Ports elsewhere performed and exercised by such Receivers as aforesaid, shall perform and exercise the same only during the Pleasure and subject to the Directions of the Board of Trade; and all such Receivers, Serjeants, Deputies, and other Officers as aforesaid shall possess in the several Districts within which they have hitherto exercised their Duties the same Powers, Rights, and Privileges, and perform the same duties, as are by the said Merchant Shipping Act, 1854, vested in and committed to the Receivers therein mentioned, save only that they shall not be entitled to take the Command in Cases of Ships or Boats stranded or in distress, unless authorized so to do by the Board of Trade.

Payment of Receivers.

XII. There shall be payable to such Receivers, Serjeants, Deputies, and other Officers as aforesaid such Fees and other Remuneration as are by the said Merchant Shipping Act, 1854, made payable to Receivers appointed thereunder, and Payment thereof shall be made by the same Persons and in the same Manner, and shall be capable of being enforced by the same Means, as Payment of the Fees or other Remuneration payable to the Receivers appointed under "The Merchant Shipping Act, 1854," are payable or capable of being enforced or as near thereto as Circumstances permit; and, save as aforesaid, and saving also any Expenses actually and properly incurred, no such Receiver, Serjeant, Deputy or other Officer as aforesaid shall be entitled to demand or receive from any Person any Fees or other Sums in respect of any Services performed by him as Receiver; and this Section shall come into operation immediately after the passing of this Act.

Application of Fees.

XIII. All Fees or other Remuneration received by any such Receiver, Serjeant, Deputy, or other Officer as aforesaid may be applied by him to his own Use.

Ninth Part of Merchant Shipping Act, 1845, to come into operation immediately.

XIV. The Provisions contained in the Ninth Part of "The Merchant Shipping Act, 1854," shall come into operation at the same Time as if the same were herein repeated, and were hereby expressed to be intended to come into operation immediately after the passing of this Act; and the following Acts, that is to say, the Act of the Seventh Year of King *George* the Second, Chapter Fifteen, the Act of the Twenty-sixth Year of King *George* the Third, Chapter Eighty-six, and the Act of the Fifty-third Year of King *George* the Third, Chapter One hundred and fifty-nine, shall be considered as repealed immediately after the passing of this Act.

Mode of Procedure Criminal Cases.

XV. All Criminal Proceedings under "The Seamen's Fund Winding-up Act, 1851," "The Pilotage Law Amendment Act, 1853," "The Merchant Shipping Law Amendment Act, 1853," or this Act, shall be carried on in the same Manner as similar Proceedings under "The Merchant Shipping Act, 1854;" and all Rules of Law, Practice, and Evidence which are applicable to such last-mentioned Proceedings shall be applicable to Criminal Proceedings under this Act.

Penalty on Masters of Ships leaving

XVI. If a Native of any Country in *Asia*, *Africa*, or of any of the Islands in the *South Sea* or the *Pacific Ocean*, or of any other Country not having any Consul in the United Kingdom, is brought to the United Kingdom in any Ship, *British* or Foreign, as a Seaman, and

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is left in the United Kingdom and within Six Months of his being so left becomes chargeable upon the Poor Rate, or commits any Act by reason of the Committal whereof he is liable to be convicted as an idle and disorderly Person, or any other Act of Vagrancy, the Master or Owner of the said Ship, or in case of a Foreign Ship the Person who is Consignee of the Ship at the Time of the Seaman being so left as aforesaid, shall incur a Penalty not exceeding Thirty Pounds, unless he can show that the Person so left as aforesaid quitted the Ship without the Consent of the Master, or that due Means have been afforded by such Master, Owner, or Consignee, or One of them, to such Person, of returning to his Native Country, or to the Country in which he was shipped; and the Court inflicting such Penalty may order the whole or any Part of such Penalty to be applied towards the Relief or sending Home of such Person. certain Seamen in Distress in this Country.

SCHEDULE to which this Act refers.

ACTS and PARTS of ACTS to be repealed.

Reference to Act.	Title of Act.	Extent of Repeal.
8 Eliz. Cap. 13.	An Act touching Sea Marks and Mariners.	The whole Act, except Section 5.
12 Anne, Stat. 2. Cap. 18.	An Act for the preserving all such Ships and Goods thereof which shall happen to be forced on shore or stranded on the Coasts of this Kingdom or on any other of Her Majesty's Dominions.	So much as is not already repealed.
4 Geo. 1. Cap. 12.	An Act for enforcing and making perpetual an Act of the Twelfth Year of Her late Majesty, intituled "An Act for the preserving all "such Ships and Goods thereof which shall "happen to be forced on shore or stranded "upon the Coasts of this Kingdom or any "other of Her Majesty's Dominions;" and for inflicting the Punishment of Death on such as shall wilfully burn or destroy Ships.	So much as is not already repealed.
7 Geo. 2. Cap. 15.	An Act to settle how far Owners of Ships shall be answerable for the Acts of the Masters or Mariners.	The whole Act.
20 Geo. 2. Cap. 38.	An Act for the Relief and Support of maimed disabled Seamen, and the Widows and Children of such as shall be killed, slain, or drowned in the Merchant Service.	So much as is not already repealed.
26 Geo. 2. Cap. 19.	An Act for enforcing the Laws against Persons who shall steal or detain shipwrecked Goods, and for the Relief of Persons suffering Losses thereby.	So much as is not already repealed.
26 Geo. 3. Cap. 86.	An Act to explain and amend an Act made in the Seventh Year of His late Majesty's Reign, intituled "An Act to settle how far Owners "of Ships shall be answerable for the Acts "of the Masters or Mariners;" and for giving a further Relief to the Owners of Ships.	The whole Act.
26 Geo. 3. Cap. 101.	An Act for erecting certain Lighthouses in the Northern Parts of Great Britain.	The whole Act.
28 Geo. 3. Cap. 25.	An Act to render more effectual an Act passed in the Twenty-sixth Year of His present Majesty's Reign, intituled "An Act for erecting "certain Lighthouses in the Northern Parts "of Great Britain."	The whole Act.
29 Geo. 3. Cap. 52.	An Act to give further Powers to the Commissioners for erecting certain Lighthouses in the Northern Parts of Great Britain.	The whole Act.
38 Geo. 3. Cap. 57. (Local and Personal.)	An Act for incorporating the Commissioners appointed for erecting certain Lighthouses in the Northern Parts of Great Britain.	The whole Act.

Reference to Act.	Title of Act.	Extent of Repeal.
46 Geo. 3. Cap. 106.	An Act to provide for the better Execution of the several Acts relating to the Revenues, Matters, and Things under the Management of the Commissioners of Customs and Port Duties, and of the Commissioners of Inland Excise and Taxes in Ireland.	Sections 75 and 76.
46 Geo. 3. Cap. 132.	An Act for erecting a Lighthouse on the Bell or Cape Rock on the Eastern Coast of Scotland, and for enabling the Commissioners of the Treasury to advance a certain Sum of Money out of the Consolidated Fund of Great Britain towards that Purpose.	The whole Act.
48 Geo. 3. Cap. 130.	An Act for preventing the various Frauds and Depredations committed on Merchants, Shipowners, and Underwriters, by Boatmen and others, within the Jurisdiction of the Cinque Ports, and also for remedying certain Defects relative to the Adjustment of Salvage under a Statute made in the Twelfth Year of the Reign of Her late Majesty Queen Anne.	The whole Act.
50 Geo. 3. Cap. 95.	An Act to enable the Corporation for preserving and improving the Port of Dublin to erect, repair, and maintain Lighthouses round the Coast of Ireland, and to raise a Fund for defraying the Charge thereof.	The whole Act.
51 Geo. 3. Cap. 66.	An Act to amend and render more effectual several Acts for promoting the Trade of Dublin, by rendering its Port and Harbour more commodious, and for erecting, repairing, and maintaining Lighthouses round the Coast of Ireland, and to raise a Fund for defraying the Charge thereof.	The whole Act, so far as relates to Lighthouses and Light Dues.
52 Geo. 3. Cap. 115.	An Act to make more effectual Provision for enabling the Corporation for preserving and improving the Port of Dublin to erect, repair, and maintain Lighthouses and Lights round the Coasts of Ireland, and to raise a Fund for defraying the Charge thereof.	The whole Act.
53 Geo. 3. Cap. 159.	An Act to limit the Responsibility of Ship Owners in certain Cases.	The whole Act.
54 Geo. 3. Cap. 136.	An Act for enabling the Commissioners of the Northern Lighthouses to purchase the Island and Light of May at the Entrance of the Frith of Forth, for enabling the Commissioners of the Treasury to advance a certain Sum of Money towards that Purpose, and for amending several Acts in regard to the Northern Lighthouses.	The whole Act.
55 Geo. 3. Cap. lxvii. (Local and Personal.)	An Act for enabling the Commissioners of the Northern Lighthouses to erect Lighthouses on the Isles of Man and Calf of Man.	The whole Act.
59 Geo. 3. Cap. 12.	An Act to amend the Laws for the Relief of the Poor.	Section 32.
1 & 2 Geo. 4. Cap. 76.	An Act to continue and amend certain Acts for preventing the various Frauds and Depredations committed on Merchants, Shipowners, and Underwriters, by Boatmen and others, within the Jurisdiction of the Cinque Ports, and also for remedying certain Defects relative to the Adjustment of Salvage under a Statute made in the Twelfth Year of the Reign of Her late Majesty Queen Anne.	The whole Act, except Sections 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 15, 16, and 18.

Reference to Act.	Title of Act.	Extent of Repeal.
4 Geo. 4. Cap. 88.	An Act for regulating Vessels carrying Passengers between Great Britain and Ireland.	The whole Act.
6 Geo. 4. Cap. 125.	An Act for the Amendment of the Law respecting Pilots and Pilotage, and also for the better preservation of Floating Lights, Buoys, and Beacons.	The whole Act.
9 Geo. 4. Cap. 86.	An Act to amend an Act for the Amendment of the Law respecting Pilots and Pilotage, and also for the better Preservation of Floating Lights, Buoys, and Beacons.	The whole Act.
11 Geo. 4. Cap. 20.	An Act to amend and consolidate the Laws relating to the Pay of the Royal Navy.	Section 82.
4 & 5 Wm. 4. Cap. 52.	An Act to amend an Act of the Twentieth Year of His Majesty King George the Second, for the Relief and Support of sick, maimed, and disabled Seamen, and the Widows and Children of such as shall be killed, slain, or drowned in the Merchant Service, and for other Purposes.	So much as is not already repealed.
5 & 6 Wm. 4. Cap. 19.	An Act to amend and consolidate the Laws relating to the Merchant Seamen of the United Kingdom, and for forming and maintaining a Register of all the Men engaged in that Service.	So much as is not already repealed.
6 & 7 Wm. 4. Cap. 79.	An Act for vesting Lighthouses, Lights, and Sea Marks on the Coasts of England in the Corporation of Trinity House of Deptford Strond; and for making Provisions respecting Lighthouses, Lights, Buoys, and Beacons, and Sea Marks, and the Tolls and Duties payable in respect thereof.	The whole Act.
1 & 2 Vict. Cap. 66.	An Act for maintaining a Lighthouse at Gibraltar, and respecting Lighthouses not within the United Kingdom.	The whole Act.
3 & 4 Vict. Cap. 68.	An Act to enable Her Majesty in Council to authorize Ships and Vessels belonging to Countries having Treaties of Reciprocity with the United Kingdom to be piloted, in certain Cases, without having a licensed Pilot on board; and also to regulate the Mode in which Pilot Boats shall be painted and distinguished.	The whole Act.
7 & 8 Vict. Cap. 112.	An Act to amend and consolidate the Laws relating to Merchant Seamen; and for keeping a Register of Seamen.	The whole Act.
8 & 9 Vict. Cap. 86.	An Act for the General Regulation of the Customs.	Sections 45. 51. 53. and 140.
8 & 9 Vict. Cap. 87.	An Act for the Prevention of Smuggling -	Section 10.
8 & 9 Vict. Cap. 89.	An Act for the registering of British Vessels -	The whole Act.
8 & 9 Vict. Cap. 116.	An Act for the Protection of Seamen entering on board Merchant Ships.	The whole Act.
9 & 10 Vict. Cap. 99.	An Act for consolidating and amending the Laws relating to Wreck and Salvage.	The whole Act.
12 & 13 Vict. Cap. 29.	An Act to amend the Laws in force for the Encouragement of British Shipping and Navigation.	The whole Act.
12 & 13 Vict. Cap. 88.	An Act to amend the Laws relating to Pilotage.	The whole Act.
13 & 14 Vict. Cap. 93.	An Act for improving the Condition of Masters, Mates, and Seamen, and maintaining Discipline in the Merchant Service.	The whole Act.
13 & 14 Vict. Cap. 95.	An Act to amend the Laws relating to the Customs.	Section 14.

Reference to Act.	Title of Act.	Extent of Repeal.
14 & 15 Vict. Cap. 35.	An Act to extend the Benefits of certain Provisions of the General Merchant Seamen's Act relating to Apprentices bound to the Sea Service to Apprentices bound to the Sea Service by Boards of Guardians of the Poor in Ireland, and to enable such Guardians to place out Boys in the Naval Service.	The whole Act, except Section 10.
14 & 15 Vict. Cap. 79.	An Act to consolidate and amend the Laws relating to the Regulation of Steam Navigation, and to the Boats and Lights to be carried by sea-going Vessels.	The whole Act.
14 & 15 Vict. Cap. 6.	An Act to amend the Mercantile Marine Act, 1850.	The whole Act.
14 & 15 Vic Cap. 102.	An Act to amend the Acts relating to the Merchant Seamen's Fund, and to provide for winding up the said Fund, and for the better Management thereof in the meantime.	Sections 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, and 61.
16 & 17 Vict. Cap. 129.	An Act further to amend the Law relating to Pilotage.	The whole Act, except Sections 3, 4, 5, 8, 10, 11, 12, 13, and so much of Section 9 as relates to the Recovery of Pilotage Rates by Cinque Ports Pilots licensed before the Act came into operation.
16 & 17 Vict. Cap. 131.	An Act to amend various Laws relating to Merchant Shipping.	The whole Act, except Sections 12, 13, 24, 28, and 29.
17 & 18 Vict. Cap. 5.	An Act to admit Foreign Ships to the Coasting Trade.	Section 4.

CAP. CXXI.

An Act to apply a Sum out of the Consolidated Fund and certain other Sums to the Service of the Year One thousand eight hundred and fifty-four, and to appropriate the Supplies granted in this Session of Parliament. [12th *August* 1854.]

Most Gracious Sovereign,

WE, Your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal Subjects, the Commons of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, in Parliament assembled, towards making good the Supply which we have cheerfully granted to Your Majesty in this Session of Parliament, have resolved to grant unto Your Majesty the Sums herein-after mentioned, and do therefore most humbly beseech Your Majesty that it may be enacted; and be it enacted by the Queen's most Excellent Majesty, by and with the Advice and Consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the Authority of the same, as follows:

There shall be applied for the Service of the Year 1854 the Sum of 22,322,743*l.* 9*s.* 11*d.* out of the Consolidated Fund.

I. There shall and may be issued and applied, for or towards making good the Supply granted to Her Majesty for the Service of the Year One thousand eight hundred and fifty-four, the Sum of Twenty-two millions three hundred twenty-two thousand seven hundred and forty-three Pounds Nine Shillings and Elevenpence, out of the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, and the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, or the Lord High Treasurer of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, for the Time being, are or is hereby authorized and empowered to issue and apply the same accordingly.

The Treasury may cause

II. It shall be lawful for the said Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, from Time to Time, by Warrant under their Hands, to cause or direct any Number of Exchequer Bills