No allowance to be allowed without a certificate of inspector.

2. No allowance shall be obtained by any officer under this Act on the ground of permanent infirmity of mind or body unless a poor law inspector, or some person in that behalf authorised by the Poor Law Board, shall have first certified that in his opinion such officer has by reason of such infirmity become incapable of performing the duties of his office with efficiency.

Short title. Construction of Act.

3. This Act may be called "The Medical Officers Superannuation Act, 1870," and shall be construed in like manner as in the Poor Law Amendment Act, 1834, and the subsequent Acts extending or amending the same.

CHAP. 95.

An Act to authorise the carriage of Naval and Military Stores in Passenger Ships. [9th August 1870.]

18 & 19 Vict. c. 119. s. 29.

WHEREAS by section twenty-nine of the Passengers Act, 1855, it is enacted that "no passenger ship shall clear out or proceed to sea if there shall be on board as "cargo, horses, cattle, gunpowder, vitriol, lucifer matches, guano, or green hides, nor if there "shall be on board any other article or number of articles, whether as cargo or ballast, "which, by reason of the nature or quantity or mode of stowage thereof, shall, either "singly or collectively, be deemed by the emigration officer at the port of clearance likely "to endanger the health or lives of the passengers, or the safety of the ship:"

And whereas it is expedient that any of Her Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State should be empowered to authorise the carriage in passenger ships of naval and military stores whenever requisite for the public service:

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:

Short title.

1. This Act may be cited as The Passengers Act Amendment Act, 1870.

Construction of Act.

2. This Act shall be construed as one with the Passengers Act, 1855, (in this Act referred to as the principal Act,) and the Passengers Act Amendment Act, 1863.

Authority by Secretary of State to carry naval and military stores in passenger ships.

3. Any one of Her Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State may, by order under his hand, authorise the carriage as cargo in any passenger ship, (subject to such conditions and directions as may be specified in the order) of naval and military stores for the public service, and such stores may, notwithstanding anything contained in the principal Act, be carried accordingly in such passenger ship.

Such order shall be addressed to the emigration officer or person performing the duties of emigration officer at the port of clearance, and shall be by him countersigned, and delivered to the master of the passenger ship to which it refers, and shall be delivered up by the master to the chief officer of Customs at the port where the stores are discharged.

The master shall comply with all the conditions and directions specified in the order, and non-compliance therewith shall be deemed non-compliance with the requirements of the said section twenty-nine of the principal Act.