



# Mercantile Law Amendment Act 1856

## CHAPTER 97

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- I Persons acquiring Title to Goods before they have been seized or attached under a Writ against the Seller protected.
- II Specific Delivery of Goods sold.
- III Consideration for Guarantee need not appear by Writing.
- IV Guarantee to or for a Firm to cease upon a Change in the Firm, except in special Cases.
- V A Surety who discharges the Liability to be entitled to Assignment of all Securities held by the Creditor.
- VI Acceptance of a Bill Inland or Foreign to be in Writing on it, and signed by the Acceptor or his Agent.
- VII What are to be deemed " Inland Bills ".
- VIII With reference to the Repairs of Ships, every Port within the United Kingdom, &c. a Home Port.
- IX Limitation of Actions for " Merchants' Accounts ".
- X Absence beyond Seas or Imprisonment of a Creditor not to be a Disability.
- XI Period of Limitation to run as to Joint Debtors in the Kingdom, though some are beyond Seas. Judgment recovered against Joint Debtors in the Kingdom to be no Bar to proceeding against others beyond Seas after their Return.
- XII Definition of " beyond Seas ", within 4 & 5 Anne, c.16 and this Act.
- XIII Provisions of 9 G.4 c.14 ss.1 & 8 and 16 & 17 Vict. c.113 ss.24 & 27 extended to Acknowledgments by Agents.
- XIV Part Payment by one Contractor &c. not to prevent Bar by certain Statutes of Limitations in favour of another Contractor, &c.
- XV Rules and Regulations may be made and Writs and Proceedings framed for the Purposes of this Act.
- XVI Short Title.

XVII Extent of Act.