

It is not expected that Gentlemen will present themselves at the Drawing Room, except in attendance on the Ladies of their families.

Any Gentleman who under these circumstances should desire to be presented to The Queen will observe the same regulations as are in force for Her Majesty's Levées.

The State Apartments will be open for the reception of Company coming to Court at two o'clock.

HOPETOUN,
Lord Chamberlain.

AT the Court at Windsor, the 15th day of May, 1900.

PRESENT,

The QUEEN's Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

WHEREAS it is enacted by "The County Courts Act 1888" that it shall be lawful for Her Majesty by Order in Council from time to time to order amongst other things the consolidation of any two or more districts and to order by what name and in what towns and places a Court shall be held in any district.

Now therefore Her Majesty is pleased by and with the advice of Her Privy Council to order and it is hereby ordered that from and after the expiration of one month from the passing of this Order the district of the County Court of Durham held at Wolsingham and the district of the County Court of Durham held at Bishop Auckland shall be consolidated, under the name of the County Court of Durham held at Bishop Auckland and Wolsingham and a Court shall be held in that district at both Bishop Auckland and Wolsingham until further order.

A. W. FitzRoy.

AT the Court at Windsor, the 15th day of May, 1900.

PRESENT,

The QUEEN's Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

WHEREAS by section four hundred and forty-four of "The Merchant Shipping Act, 1894," it is provided that where the Legislature of any British Possession by any enactment provides for the fixing, marking, and certifying of load-lines on ships registered in that Possession, and it appears to Her Majesty the Queen that that enactment is based on the same principles as the provisions of the fifth part of the said Merchant Shipping Act, 1894, relating to load-lines, and is equally effective for ascertaining and determining the maximum load-lines to which those ships can be safely loaded in salt water, and for giving notice of the load-line to persons interested, Her Majesty in Council may declare that any load-line fixed and marked and any certificate given in pursuance of that enactment shall, with respect to ships so registered, have the same effect as if it had been fixed, marked, or given in pursuance of the fifth part of the said Merchant Shipping Act, 1894:

And whereas the Legislature of the British Possession of South Australia has, by certain enactments, namely, "The Marine Board and Navigation Act Amendment Act, 1894," 57 and 58 Vict., No. 614, and "The Marine Board and Navigation Act Amendment Act, 1897," 60 and 61 Vict., No. 691, provided for the fixing, marking, and certifying of load-lines on ships registered in that Possession:

And whereas it appears to Her Majesty the Queen that the said enactments are based on the same principles as the provisions of the fifth part

of the said Merchant Shipping Act, 1894, relating to load-lines, and are equally effective for ascertaining and determining the maximum load-lines to which such ships can be safely loaded in salt water, and for giving notice of the load-line to persons interested:

Now, therefore, Her Majesty, by virtue of the power vested in Her by section four hundred and forty-four of the said Merchant Shipping Act, 1894, is hereby pleased to declare that any load-line fixed and marked, and any certificate given in pursuance of the provisions of the said Marine Board and Navigation Acts shall, with respect to ships registered in the British Possession of South Australia, have the same effect as if such load-line or certificate had been respectively fixed and marked or given in pursuance of the provisions of the fifth part of the said Merchant Shipping Act, 1894.

A. W. FitzRoy.

AT the Court at Windsor, the 15th day of May, 1900.

PRESENT,

The QUEEN's Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

WHEREAS by the five hundred and eighty-second and five hundred and eighty-third sections of "The Merchant Shipping Act, 1894," it is enacted that a Pilotage Authority may, by Bye-law made under Part X of that Act, do all or any of the things specified in section five hundred and eighty-two; but that a Bye-law so made shall not take effect until it is submitted to Her Majesty in Council and confirmed by Order in Council:

And whereas the Humber Pilotage Commissioners, being a Pilotage Authority for the River Humber within the meaning of the said Act, have made certain Bye-laws for the better government and regulation of Humber Pilots and Pilot Boats, which Bye-laws are in substitution for the Bye-laws for the same purpose already made by the said Pilotage Authority and confirmed by Order in Council of the twenty-first day of October, one thousand eight hundred and ninety:

And whereas the provisions of section one of "The Rules Publication Act, 1853," have been complied with:

And whereas it has been made to appear to Her Majesty that the proposed new Bye-laws are proper and reasonable:

Now, therefore, Her Majesty, by virtue of the powers vested in Her by "The Merchant Shipping Act, 1894," and by and with the advice of Her Privy Council, is pleased to approve, and doth, by this Order, confirm the said Bye-laws as set forth in the Schedule hereto annexed.

A. W. FitzRoy.

SCHEDULE.

BYE-LAWS made by the Humber Pilotage Commissioners the Pilotage Authority for the River Humber in pursuance of "The Merchant Shipping Act, 1894," section five hundred and eighty-two, for the better Government and Regulation of Humber Pilots and Pilot Boats in substitution for the Bye-Laws made by the said Commissioners and approved by Her Majesty in Council on the twenty-first day of October, one thousand eight hundred and ninety.

The following Bye-laws shall take effect from and after the day on which the same shall have been approved by Her Majesty in Council by virtue of the powers vested in Her by "The Merchant Shipping Act, 1894."