

And whereas the said table of rates and the said regulations appear to be proper and reasonable:

Now, therefore, Her Majesty, by virtue of the power vested in her by the said recited Act, and by and with the advice of Her Privy Council, is pleased to approve, and doth hereby approve, of the said table of rates and the said regulations so submitted as aforesaid.

Wm. L. Bathurst.

REGULATION for the Extension of the Exemptions from Compulsory Pilotage now existing under the provisions of the 59th section of the Act sixth George Fourth, cap. 125, submitted by the Corporation of Trinity House, for the consideration of Her Majesty in Council, pursuant to the provision of the 21st section of the Act sixteenth and seventeenth Victoria, cap. 129.

The masters of the undermentioned ships and vessels shall, subject to the provision contained in the 59th section of the Act of Parliament sixth George Fourth, cap. 125, in respect of the employment of unlicensed persons, be exempted from compulsory pilotage, viz. :

Of ships and vessels trading to Norway, or to the Cattagat, or Baltic, or round the North Cape, or into the White Sea, when coming up by the South Channels.

Of ships and vessels trading to ports between Boulogne (inclusive) and the Baltic, on their outward passages, and when coming up by the South Channels.

Of ships and vessels passing through the limits of any pilotage district, on their voyages from one port to another port, and not being bound to any port or place within such limits, nor anchoring therein.

Trinity House, London, 28th December, 1853.

(Signed) *J. Herbert*, Secretary.

REGULATIONS for the Conduct of the Pilotage Service of the Port of London, in pursuance of the provision contained in the 6th section of the Act of Parliament sixteenth and seventeenth Victoria, cap. 129.

First.—In Relation to the Pilotage Inwards from the Downs, &c., to London.

1st. The present system of rotatory employment shall continue in force.

2nd. Every London Pilot, on his landing at Dover or Deal, as the case may be, from a vessel which he shall have piloted downwards, shall report himself, together with the particulars of the vessel he shall have so piloted, to the Ruler thereat; and if he be desirous of obtaining a return vessel to pilot inwards, or his services be required to supply any deficiency in the number of pilots at the station, his name shall be placed at the bottom of the list for rotatory employment, either in the cutter or from the shore, as the Ruler may see fit; the number of London Pilots on each rotatory list at one time being regulated by the Rulers according to their discretion, with regard to the prevention of inconvenience to the service in London, as well as at the respective stations.

3rd. London Pilots shipped from the cutters shall pay to the Cutters' Fund one-half of the distance pilotage and boarding money chargeable in each case.

4th. Pilots coming round from the Isle of Wight, in the charge of ships which would have been supplied from the cutters, shall pay to the Cutters' Fund one-half of the distance pilotage and boarding money with which the ship would

have been chargeable had she taken a pilot from the cutter at Dungeness.

Second.—In Relation to the Pilotage Outwards from Gravesend to the Downs.

1st. The present system of selection of their own pilots, by the owners, masters, or agents, shall be left undisturbed.

2nd. Every Cinque Ports' Pilot shall, on his landing from a vessel at Gravesend or London, report himself, together with the particulars of the vessel he shall have piloted up, to the Ruler or at the Trinity House, as the case may be; and if he be desirous of obtaining a return vessel to pilot outwards, and there shall be any vessels for which applications for pilots shall have been made, either to the Ruler or at the Trinity House, he shall be appointed in turn to one of such vessels.

3rd. Any Cinque Ports' Pilot who, having brought up a vessel, may be selected by the owner, agent, or master of an outward bound vessel to pilot such vessel down, shall be at liberty to do so, subject to the regulation next hereinafter provided, and shall send to the Trinity House the particulars of the said vessel.

4th. In the event of any Cinque Ports' Pilot, who may take a vessel downwards, not having returned to his station in time to take his turn for a ship upwards, such turn shall be taken by the next pilot in rotation, and his name shall be placed at the bottom of the rotatory list.

Trinity House, London, 13th September, 1853.

By command of the Corporation,
(Signed) *J. Herbert*, Secretary.

Council Office, Whitehall, February 24, 1854.

HER Majesty has been pleased, by Her Order in Council of the 18th February instant, to grant to Sir William Burnett, Knight, of Somerset House, in the county of Middlesex, a prolongation until the 20th of July, in the year 1859, of certain letters patent, for improvements in preserving animal, vegetable, woollen, and other fibrous substances from decay; such letters patent having been originally granted to the said Sir William Burnett, Knight, and bearing date the 25th March, 1840, for Scotland, and the 23rd May, 1840, for Ireland.

Downing Street, February 22, 1854.

The Queen has been pleased to appoint Thomas Liddell, Esq., to be Colonial Surveyor for the Colony of Sierra Leone.

Her Majesty has also been pleased to appoint the Reverend William Baxter, Master of Arts, to be Colonial Chaplain for the Colony of Hong Kong.

Her Majesty has also been pleased to appoint the Reverend Charles Stephen Hassells, Master of Arts, to be Colonial Chaplain for Her Majesty's Forts and Settlements on the Gold Coast.

Her Majesty has further been pleased to appoint Peter G. Fraser, Esq., to be a Member of the Legislative Council of the Colony of Van Diemen's Land.

Buckingham-Palace, February 22, 1854.

His Royal Highness Prince Albert has been pleased to appoint Captain Charles Taylor Du Plat, of the Royal Artillery, to be Equerry to His Royal Highness, vice Lieutenant-Colonel the Honourable Alexander Gordon, resigned.

Lieutenant-Colonel the Honourable Alexander Gordon to be Extra Equerry.