

respect thereof, to be paid by the master or owner of any ship which passes the same, or derives benefit therefrom, as Her Majesty may deem reasonable, and may from time to time alter the amount thereof; and that such dues shall be paid and collected in the same manner, by the same means, and subject to the same conditions, in, by, and subject to which the light dues, authorized to be levied by the said Act, are paid and collected:

And whereas the Commissioners of Northern Lighthouses are erecting and about to light a new lighthouse on St. Abb's Head, in the county of Berwick:

Now, therefore, Her Majesty, in exercise of the powers vested in Her by the said recited Act, and by and with the advice of Her Privy Council, is pleased to direct, that upon the completion and lighting of the said light, there shall be paid in respect of the said light for every British vessel, and for every foreign vessel, privileged to enter the ports of the United Kingdom, upon paying the same dues as are payable by British vessels, which may pass or derive benefit from such light, the toll of eight-sixteenths of a penny per ton of the burden of every such vessel for every time of passing or deriving benefit therefrom, if on an over-sea voyage, and one-sixteenth of a penny per ton for each time of passing or deriving benefit therefrom, if on a coasting voyage; and for every foreign vessel, not privileged in manner hereinbefore mentioned, double the amount of the respective tolls hereinbefore specified, according to the voyage on which she may be employed; and that the said tolls in respect of the said lighthouse shall be levied by the Commissioners of Northern Lighthouses, subject to the gross abatement or discount of fifty per cent. on vessels engaged in over-sea voyages, and of thirty-five per cent. on vessels engaged in coasting voyages, mentioned in an Order in Council, made under the authority of the said recited Act, and dated the second day of February, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-nine, and subject also on and after the first day of October, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-one, to the further abatement or discount of ten per cent. on vessels engaged in over-sea voyages, and of twenty-five per cent. on vessels engaged in coasting voyages, mentioned in an Order in Council, made under the authority of the said recited Act, and bearing the same date as this present Order, and subject also, from and after the completion and lighting of the said light, to the regulations and exemptions contained in the Consolidated Tables of Light Dues, sanctioned by an Order in Council, dated the twenty-sixth day of June, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-five, and to the further exemption, sanctioned by an Order in Council, dated the twelfth day of April, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-nine.

*Arthur Helps.*

**A**T the Court at *Osborne House, Isle of Wight*, the 25th day of *July*, 1861,

PRESENT,

The QUEEN's Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

**W**HEREAS by "The Merchant Shipping Act, 1854," it was enacted, that Her Majesty might, by and with the advice of Her Privy Council, from time to time, reduce all or

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any of the dues for the time being payable in respect of existing or future lighthouses, buoys, or beacons, for the time being, under the management of the general lighthouse authorities therein named—that is to say—the Corporation of the Trinity House of Deptford Strond, the Commissioners of Northern Lighthouses, and the Port of Dublin Corporation:

And whereas by an Order in Council, made in pursuance of the said Act, and dated the twenty-sixth day of June, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-five, certain Consolidated Tables of Light Dues were approved by Her Majesty: and by the same Order it was directed, that until Her Majesty, with the advice of Her Privy Council, might see fit otherwise to determine, there should be allowed to every person paying the dues specified in the said tables, an abatement or discount upon the amount payable by him, which should, in the case of every over-sea-vessel, be twenty-five per cent., and in the case of every coasting-vessel be ten per cent.:

And whereas by an Order in Council made in pursuance of the said Act, and dated the twentieth day of March, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-seven, it was directed, that until Her Majesty, with the advice of Her Privy Council, might see fit otherwise to determine, there should be allowed to every person paying the dues mentioned in the said consolidated tables, so approved as aforesaid by the said Order in Council of the twenty-sixth day of June, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-five, a further abatement or discount upon the amount payable by him; which further abatement or discount should, in the case of every over-sea vessel be fifteen per cent. in addition to the abatement of twenty-five per cent. allowed by the said last-mentioned Order, and in the case of every coasting-vessel, fifteen per cent. in addition to the aforesaid ten per cent. allowed by the said last-mentioned Order:

And whereas by an Order in Council made in pursuance of the said Act, and dated the second day of February, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-nine, it was directed that, until Her Majesty, with the advice of Her Privy Council, might see fit otherwise to determine, there should be allowed to every person paying the dues mentioned in the said consolidated tables, so approved as aforesaid, a further abatement or discount upon the amount payable by him; which further abatement or discount should, in the case of every over-sea vessel, be ten per cent., making, together with the aforesaid abatements of twenty-five per cent. and fifteen per cent. respectively, allowed by the said recited Order, a gross abatement or discount of fifty per cent. upon the amount of the dues specified in the said consolidated tables, and payable in respect of such over-sea vessel; and which further abatement or discount should, in the case of every coasting-vessel, be ten per cent., making, together with the aforesaid abatements of ten per cent. and fifteen per cent. respectively, allowed by the said recited Orders, a gross abatement or discount of thirty-five per cent. upon the amount of the dues specified in the said consolidated tables, and payable in respect of such coasting-vessel:

And whereas it has been made to appear to Her Majesty that the said Light Dues may be further reduced without injury to the services in respect of which such dues are levied:

Now, therefore, Her Majesty, by and with the advice of Her Privy Council, and in exercise of the powers vested in Her by the said "Mer-