

10. To empower the Conservators to prohibit the beforementioned and all bodies and persons from abstracting water directly or indirectly from the river in excess of the quantity from time to time authorised to be taken by them or in excess of a quantity to be named in the Bill, and to control and regulate the taking of water by any bodies and persons either directly or indirectly from the river, and from any lands and wells under, adjacent or near thereto, or within such limit as may be named in the Bill, and the Bill will or may contain provision by which the quantity of water taken from the river can be better and more efficiently checked, and for that purpose the Bill will or may provide for, require, and compel the fixing and maintenance of gauges, fittings, or appliances by the aforesaid bodies and persons abstracting the water with power to the Conservators to inspect, control, make and enforce regulations concerning same.

11. To enlarge the powers of the Conservators with regard to levying and taking of tonnage and other dues on the River, and among other things to provide that all vessels and craft exceeding 30 tons, under the measurement for tonnage prescribed by the Merchant Shipping Acts, or otherwise to be defined in the Bill, navigating the river shall pay dues, and the Bill will or may provide that it shall be obligatory on the owners, masters, or such persons as may be in charge of vessels and craft in the river, to declare in writing or otherwise on demand to the officers of the Conservators the correct tonnage of vessels and craft and in default thereof, and in the event of a false declaration or information being furnished to empower the Conservators to proceed against such persons.

12. To authorise the Conservators to levy new, additional or increased tolls, rates and charges, to alter any existing tolls, rates and charges, to confer, vary, or extinguish exemptions from the payment of tolls, rates and charges, to extend their powers for the collection and recovery of the same, and to authorise the Conservators to compound with persons and bodies for the payment of such tolls, rates, and charges, and to exempt the Conservators from the payment of tolls, rates, charges, tithes, and other payments.

13. To provide for the freeing from tolls, dues and other charges, and throwing open to the public all or any piers, in the river, belonging to the Conservators.

14. To confer further powers on the Conservators with regard to wrecks and stranded vessels, and to empower the Conservators, with or without notice to the owners or masters thereof, and without pronouncing them cases of emergency to raise, remove, break up, sell, or otherwise dispose of sunken ships, wrecks or craft and the cargoes thereof laid by or neglected in the river, and to authorise the Conservators to demand and, in default of payment, recover all expenses which they may incur or be put to in raising, removing, disposing of, or watching and taking control of such wrecks, vessels or craft, and to make further provision for the application of moneys produced by sales or other disposition of wrecks, vessels, craft, and cargoes, raised, removed, broken up, or disposed of by the Conservators, and to exempt the Conservators from liability with regard to watching or otherwise dealing with wrecks, craft, and other submerged, or partly submerged, obstructions.

15. To make further and better provision for the regulation and control of the traffic on the river, and to provide that the owner and person in charge of any vessel or craft in the

river, or either of them, shall or may be proceeded against in all cases of improper navigation or misconduct, that any certificate granted in respect of a steam launch shall or may be cancelled on two convictions for the improper navigation thereof or of misconduct being obtained by the Conservators, and the Bill will provide that penalties, tolls, fees, and other charges shall be recoverable in respect of and be a charge upon the vessel itself, that all boats carried on barges or other craft through any of the locks on the river shall pay toll in respect of each boat, and the Bill will, or may, define the class of craft which shall be included in the term "House-boat."

16. To authorise the Conservators to prescribe and define a limit in the river within which passenger, and especially excursion steamboats shall navigate, and the Bill will or may provide that it shall be a punishable offence for such vessels to exceed such limit, and may make further provision regulating the speed with which vessels may navigate the river, and confer such further power as may be necessary or convenient for the preservation of life and property.

17. With a view to the prevention of overcrowding of wherries, skiffs, rafts, and other small craft in the River to authorise the Conservators to make and carry into effect rules and regulations with respect to the number of persons to be carried on such craft, the embarking and disembarking of persons, and all matters incidental thereto.

18. To authorise and empower the Conservators, their officers, and inspectors at all times to board and inspect for any purpose all vessels lying in or navigating the River.

19. To authorise the Conservators and their officers to board and inspect all vessels in the river with a view to the prevention of pollution and the discontinuance of the flow from such vessels of sewage or any other offensive or injurious matter, whether solid or fluid, or water which the Conservators may deem to be a pollution, into the River, and the Bill will give power to the Conservators to require the owners of vessels, persons in charge, or such other persons as may be named in the Bill, to do all such things, and effect and carry out all such alterations and improvements, and provide such fittings and sanitary and other appliances in such vessels (with power to the Conservators to prescribe the pattern or description of work required to be done) as the Conservators may deem expedient.

20. To amend, enlarge, and extend the powers of the Conservators with regard to the regulation and navigation of vessels carrying and the carriage and storage of petroleum and other articles of an inflammatory or explosive character on the river.

21. To authorise the Conservators to remove, sell, or otherwise dispose of or to order the removal of all obstructions to the navigation of the river and all such jetties (used or unused) and other structures in the river, which in their opinion are useless and not required, and to clear the river of all obstructions, charging the owners with the expenses of such removal and to extend and enlarge the provisions of Sections 94 and 95 of the Thames Conservancy Act, 1857.

22. To confer further powers on the Conservators with regard to fisheries, and to authorise them to purchase, compulsorily or otherwise, fisheries and rights of fishing in the river upon such terms and conditions as may be provided in the Bill; and to make better provision for the preservation and increase of the breed of fish and im-