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AT the Court at *Balmoral*, the 26th day of *October*, 1896.

PRESENT,

The QUEEN's Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

WHEREAS in pursuance of the three hundred and thirty-third section of "The Merchant Shipping Act, 1854," the Tees Pilotage Commissioners, being the Pilotage Authority for the District of the Tees, made and submitted, for the consent of Her Majesty, certain Bye-laws which were approved by an Order in Council dated the sixteenth day of December, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-two :

And 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 said Pilotage Commissioners have made and submitted for the consent of Her Majesty certain new Bye-laws in substitution for the Bye-laws approved by the said Order in Council of the sixteenth day of December, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-two, which said new Bye-laws are set forth in the Schedule hereto annexed :

And whereas the provisions of section one of "The Rules Publication Act, 1893," have been complied with, and 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 of and signify Her consent to the said Bye-laws as set forth in the Schedule hereto annexed in substitution, from and after the date of this Order, for the Bye-laws approved by the Order in Council of the sixteenth day of December, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-two.

J. H. Harrison.

SCHEDULE to which the foregoing Order refers.

BYE-LAWS made by the Tees Pilotage Commissioners for the Regulation and Government of the Pilots of the River Tees.

1. From and after the coming in force of these Bye-laws, all and every the Bye-laws, Rules,

Orders, and Regulations heretofore in force with respect to the pilots and pilotage of the Tees shall be, and the same are hereby rescinded, and in lieu thereof the Tees Pilotage Commissioners do hereby make and ordain the following Bye-laws, namely :

Pilot Superintendent.

2. The duties of the Pilot Superintendent shall be as follows :

- (a.) To exercise supervision and control, under the Board, over all the Pilots and Pilots' Assistants, so as to see that the Pilot Acts and these Bye-laws and the resolutions and orders of the Commissioners are duly observed.
- (b.) To obtain from the pilots reports of all occurrences affecting the service on which the Commissioners or the Superintendent may require information.
- (c.) To hear and determine such differences as may arise between the Pilots and the Pilots' Assistants.
- (d.) To prevent the employment of unlicensed pilots.
- (e.) To inquire into complaints made against pilots by masters and owners of vessels and others interested, and into the circumstances attending cases of collision or loss when vessels have been under charge of a pilot.
- (f.) To take soundings of the bar and channel from time to time, and especially to draw the earliest attention of the Harbour Masters to the River Tees Conservancy Commissioners, and of the Pilotage Commissioners, to any alterations in the condition and depth thereof.
- (g.) To keep a daily journal, and to enter therein daily the direction and nature of the wind, the marking of the barometer, and swell at the entrance to the harbour.
- (h.) To assist in obtaining the daily returns from the pilots of the vessels piloted, docked, undocked, moored, or transported by them.
- (i.) To see that pilots' cibles are duly licensed and properly numbered in figures of not less than nine inches in length, commencing at number one, and continuing in numerical order. In the case of cibles belonging to the Hartlepoons, where the owners possess a Tees license, the word "Tees" and the number shall be painted on amidships.
- (j.) To keep a register and character book, in which shall be recorded the name and description of each pilot's assistant, the date of his entering the service, and his character, and any particulars of conduct during the service.