

any fees which they are not bound to pay; and secondly, for the purpose of harmonizing the fees paid by vessels on entering and quitting the ports of the kingdom, so that in equality of circumstances, native vessels shall not pay greater fees than foreign vessels, and no greater fees shall be exacted at one port than at another, unless there should be a special reason for it.

Article 4th. The tax of 600 reis, which is paid at present by foreigners entering the bar of Lisbon, is repealed.

Article 5th. All the legislation to the contrary is revoked.

We command, therefore, all the authorities to whom the knowledge of, and the compliance with, the said law appertain, that they do comply with it, and cause it to be complied with, and observed exactly as is contained therein.

The Ministers and Secretaries of State for the Affairs of the Interior and of Finance, shall have it printed, published, and put into circulation.

Given at the Palace of Mafra, on the 31st day of January 1863.

(Signed) THE KING.

EARL RUSSELL, Her Majesty's Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, has received from Mr Ward, Her Majesty's Chargé d'Affaires and Consul-General at the Hanse Towns, a copy of an Ordinance of the Senate of Lübeck, abolishing the necessity of passports to foreigners frequenting the territory of that State from the 1st of May next, of which the following is a translation:—

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ORDINANCE TOUCHING THE ABOLITION OF THE NECESSITY OF PASSPORTS.

(Published April 15th, 1863.)

In order to facilitate the resort of foreigners, the Senate has resolved upon the following regulations, which shall come into force on the 1st of May next,

1.

Foreigners who arrive in the Lübeck territory shall not be required to produce a passport or any other document of legitimation of their journey, or to have the same visa-ed by the Lübeck Police authorities; but they shall be obliged, as heretofore, if officially required, to give satisfactory proof as to their persons and means of living.

After a term of residence exceeding one month, the regulations of the Ordinance of November 28th, 1860, touching the residence of foreigners in the State of Lübeck, and the necessity of cards of residence (aufenthaltskarten) shall come into force.

2.

Foreign handicraftsmen, only passing through, shall, in consequence of the above general regulations, also be exempted from the necessity of producing their travelling-book to the Police authorities, or of having it visa-ed by them; at the desire of the former, however, their books shall be visa-ed, as has hitherto been the practice.

3.

Foreign handicraftsmen, workmen in factories, mechanics, servants, and others of the same class who arrive in the Lübeck territory in search of work, livelihood, or service, or who travel in the State of Lübeck in search of a livelihood, or living, by their profession, shall still be subject to the respective special regulations, and shall therefore, directly on their arrival, be obliged to produce to the Police authorities the necessary papers, (viz.,

travelling-book, work-book, passport, or certificate of settlement).

4.

As regards the admission of foreigners into the houses of Lübeck subjects, the regulations of the Ordinance of December 27th, 1851, which relates to the necessity of giving notice of the names of foreigners staying in the inns and public houses, as well as the Ordinances of August 25th, 1855, touching the admission of foreigners and the rules for servants, dated June 25th, 1862, shall remain in force.

Given at Lübeck, in the Assembly of the Senate, on April 11th, 1863.

(Signed) C. TH. OVERBECK, Dr.,  
Secretary.

At the Court at Windsor, the 28th day of April 1863,

PRESENT,

The QUEEN's Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

This day the Right Honourable George Frederick Samuel, Earl de Grey and Ripon, was, by Her Majesty's command, sworn of Her Majesty's Most Honourable Privy Council, and took his place at the Board accordingly.

At the Court at Windsor, the 28th day of April 1863,

PRESENT,

The QUEEN's Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

Her Majesty having been pleased to appoint the Right Honourable George Frederick Samuel, Earl de Grey and Ripon, to be one of Her Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State, he was this day, by Her Majesty's command, sworn one of Her Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State accordingly.

At the Court at Windsor, the 28th day of April 1863,

PRESENT,

The QUEEN's Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

Whereas the rules and practice observed for the purpose of preventing collisions at sea, which were formerly adopted by maritime Nations, have proved insufficient to satisfy the requirements of modern navigation; and whereas various alterations in such rules and practice have from time to time been made by different Nations, but the rules so altered have been found to be in some cases inconsistent with each other, and in other cases to have the force of municipal law only; and whereas certain regulations for the purpose aforesaid have been sanctioned by the "Merchant Shipping Act Amendment Act, 1862," and are contained in table C, in the schedule to that Act. And whereas the said regulations have, in pursuance of the provisions in the said Act contained, been modified by an Order in Council bearing date the 9th day of January 1863, and the said regulations so modified, are appended to the said Order and to this Order. And whereas, by virtue of the said Act, and of the said Order, the said regulations so appended as aforesaid, will, so far as relates to British and French ships, and also so far as relates to other foreign ships when within British jurisdiction, come into operation on the first day of June one thousand eight hundred and sixty-three: And whereas it is provided by the same Act, that whenever it is made to appear to Her Majesty that the Government of any foreign country is