

The Act for giving increased facilities for the construction of railways will diminish the expenses attendant upon the extension of those important channels of communication.

It has afforded to Her Majesty the most heart-felt satisfaction to observe the general well-being and contentment which prevail throughout Her dominions, and to remark the progressive increase and development of the national resources, and to find that, after sufficiently providing for the public service, you have been able to make a material diminution in the taxation of the country.

On returning to your respective counties you will still have important duties to perform, essentially connected with the linking together of the several classes of the community; and Her Majesty fervently prays that the blessing of Almighty God may attend your exertions, and guide them to the object of Her Majesty's constant solicitude, the welfare and happiness of Her people.

Then a Commission for proroguing the Parliament was read; after which the Lord Chancellor said:

My Lords and Gentlemen,

By virtue of Her Majesty's Commission, under the Great Seal, to us and other Lords directed, and now read, we do, in Her Majesty's name, and in obedience to Her commands, prorogue this Parliament to Thursday, the thirteenth day of October next, to be then here holden; and this Parliament is accordingly prorogued to Thursday, the thirteenth day of October next.

At the Court at *Osborne House, Isle of Wight*, the 28th day of *July*, 1864.

PRESENT,

The QUEEN's Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

WHEREAS by the 333rd section of "The Merchant Shipping Act, 1854," it is enacted that, subject to the provisions contained in the fifth part of that Act, it shall be lawful for every pilotage authority by bye-law, made with the consent of Her Majesty in Council, from time to time, to do within its districts all or any of the things specified in that behalf in the said section; and whereas the Pilotage Board of the port of Newport, being the Pilotage Authority for the port of Newport, within the meaning of the said recited Act, have made and submitted for the consent of Her Majesty, a new bye-law (which is set forth in the schedule hereunto annexed), fixing the remuneration to be hereafter paid to pilots in lieu of the rates for pilotage specified in the first of the bye-laws and regulations, with respect to pilots and pilotage within the district and under the jurisdiction of the said Pilotage Board, which were approved by Order in Council, dated the twenty-sixth of April, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-two: And whereas it has been made to appear to Her Majesty, that the said new bye-law is proper and reasonable: now, therefore, Her Majesty, by virtue of the powers vested in her by the said recited Act, and by and with the advice of Her Privy Council, is pleased to approve of and signify her consent to the said new bye-law of the said Pilotage Board of the Port of Newport, in lieu of the said existing bye-law No. 1.

Arthur Helps.

SCHEDULE.

Every Licensed Pilot employed in Piloting Vessels to or from the Port of Newport shall be paid the following Pilotage Rates according to the registered tonnage of the vessel.

FOR VESSELS LADEN AND UNLADEN.

	If under 100 Tons.	If 100 and under 200	If 200 and under 300	If 300 and under 400	If 400 and under 500	If 500 and under 600	If 600 and under 800	If 800 and under 1000	If 1000 Tons and upwards.
Newport to mouth of river } Usk }	£ s. d. 0 10 0	£ s. d. 0 15 0	£ s. d. 0 17 6	£ s. d. 1 2 6	£ s. d. 1 5 0	£ s. d. 1 6 0	£ s. d. 1 8 0	£ s. d. 1 10 0	£ s. d. 1 12 0
Newport to the Holmes or } Cardiff Roads }	0 13 0	1 0 0	1 10 0	1 15 0	2 1 0	2 3 0	2 8 0	2 12 0	2 16 0
Between the Holmes or Car- } diff Roads and Minehead } or King Road, or any } point east of Minehead and } west of King Road }	0 7 6	0 10 0	0 15 0	0 17 6	1 0 0	1 2 6	1 5 0	1 10 0	1 15 0
Between the Holmes or Car- } diff Roads and Coombe, or } any point west of Mine- } head or Nash Point, and } east of Coombe }	0 17 6	1 5 0	1 15 0	1 17 6	2 2 6	2 7 6	2 15 0	3 5 0	3 15 0
Between the Holmes or Car- } diff Roads and Lundy } Island, or any point west } of Coombe }	1 5 0	1 12 6	2 10 0	2 17 6	3 5 0	3 15 0	4 5 0	5 5 0	6 0 0