by and with the advice of Her Privy Council, is pleased to allow the said new rules or bye-laws.

Arthur Helps.

SCHEDULE REFERRED TO IN THE ABOVE ORDER.

Rules and Bye-Laws for the Regulation of the Navigation of the River Thames.

1.—The 2nd Rule or Bye-Law, passed under the corporate Seal of the Conservators of the River Thames, the 26th day of May, 1862, shall, after this present Bye-Law shall have been allowed in the manner required by the Thames Conservancy Act, 1864, and shall have come into force, be and the same is hereby repealed.

2.—All Barges, Boats, Lighters, and other like craft navigating the River Thames between Staines and Yantlett Creek, shall, when under way, have at least one competent person constantly on board for the navigation and management thereof, and all such craft of above 50 tons burden shall, when under way, have two competent persons on board for the navigation and management of the same, with the following exceptions: - When being towed by a Steam Vessel, or when being moved to and fro between any Vessels or places a distance not exceeding 200 yards; and in case of non-compliance with this present Bye-Law, any of the Harbour Masters may take charge of and remove such craft to such place as to such Harbour Master may seem fit, and the amount of the charges and expenses of taking charge thereof, and of such removal, shall be recoverable from the Owner or Owners or Master thereof, to the use of the said Conservators, in the like manner as the penalties imposed by the Bye-Laws of the 3rd day of January, 1860, are recoverable.

3.—Any person committing any breach of or in any way intringing this Bye-Law shall be liable to a penalty of, and shall forfeit a sum not exceeding, £5, which said penalty shall be recovered, enforced, and applied according to the provisions of the said Thames Conservancy Acts.

A T the Court at Balmoral, the 24th day of October, 1870.

PRESENT.

The QUEEN's Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

HEREAS by "The Merchant Shipping Act, 1854," it is enacted, that "Her Majesty may, by and with the advice of Her Privy Council, from time to time reduce all or 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 mentioned (that is to say), the Corporation of the Trinity House of Deptford Strond, the Commissioners of Northern Lighthouses, and the Port of Dublin Corporation, now called the Commissioners of Irish Lights:

"And may also, by and with the like advice, from time to time increase or vary any of such dues, so that no dues payable in respect of any lighthouse, buoy, or beacon existing at the time when the said Act came into operation, should be made to exceed the amount which had at any period, previous to such time, been received in respect thereof, or to which the said dues might

during any part of such period as last aforesaid lawfully have been raised:"

And whereas it is by the said Act further enacted, that "Tables of all Light Dues, and a copy of the Regulations for the time being in force in respect thereof, shall be posted up at all Custom Houses within the United Kingdom, and that each of the said General Lighthouse Authorities shall from time to time as occasion requires, furnish copies of such tables and regulations to the Commissioners of Customs in London, and to the principal Officers of Customs, resident at all places where light dues are collected on account of such lighthouse authority, and that such copies shall be posted up by the Commissioners at the Custom House in London, and by such Officers at the Custom House of the places at which they are respectively resident:"

And whereas by an Order in Council of the twenty-sixth day of June, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-five, Her Majesty did approve of certain Consolidated Tables therein referred to of Light Duties levied by the said General Lighthouse Authorities respectively:

And whereas by an Order in Council dated the first day of November, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-four, Her Majesty did approve of certain revised and amended Consolidated Tables of Light Duties therein reverred to levied by the said authorities respectively, together with certain abatements, regulations, and exemptions therein contained:

And whereas by an Order in Council of the eighteenth day of May, one thousand eight hundred and seventy, Her Majesty has directed that certain reductions and variations in and exemptions from the Light Duties then payable therein specified shall take effect from and after the first day of October, one thousand eight hundred and seventy:

And whereas by various other Orders in Council, Her Majesty has approved of certain variations and abatements from the Light Duties comprised in the said tables, and also of certain duties for new lights:

And whereas it has been made to appear to Her Majesty that it is expedient further to revise and amend the aforesaid Consolidated Tables of Light Duties:

And whereas new Consolidated Tables of Light Duties. (Oversea section) levied by the said General Lighthouse Authorities respectively in the form hereunto annexed, together with the several reductions, variations, abatements, regulations, and exemptions contained therein, have been submitted for Her Majesty's approval:

And whereas the said last mentioned Consolidated Tables (Oversea section) and the said reductions, variations, abatements, regulations, and exemptions contained therein, appear to be proper and reasonable, and it is expedient that the said tables shall come into operation on the day hereinafter mentioned:

Now, therefore, Her Majesty, by virtue of the power vested in Her by the said recited Act, and by and with the advice of Her Privy Council, is pleased to approve, and doth hereby approve the said new Tables of Light Duties (Oversea section), and the said reductions, variations, abatements, regulations and exemptions, submitted as aforesaid, and doth hereby direct that the said tables shall come into operation on the first day of October, one thousand eight hundred and seventy.

Arthur Helps.