

AT the Court at *Windsor*, the 12th day of  
*December*, 1877.

PRESENT.

The QUEEN's Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

WHEREAS by the forty-sixth section of "The Merchant Shipping Act Amendment Act, 1862," it is enacted that if any lighthouse, buoy, or beacon is erected or placed or reconstructed, repaired, or replaced by any Local Authority having jurisdiction in the matter of lighthouses, buoys, or beacons, Her Majesty may, on the application of the said Local Authority, by Order in Council fix such dues to be paid to the said Local Authority in respect of every ship which enters the port or harbour under the jurisdiction of such Local Authority or the estuary wherein such lighthouse, buoy, or beacon is situate, and which passes the said lighthouse, buoy, or beacon, and derives benefit therefrom, as Her Majesty may deem reasonable :

And whereas by the forty-seventh section of the same Act it is enacted that Her Majesty may by Order in Council from time to time reduce, alter, or increase all or any of such dues, so that the same may, so far as it is practicable, be sufficient and not more than sufficient for the payment of the expenses incurred by the Local Authority in respect of the lighthouses, buoys, or beacons for which the dues are levied :

And whereas the Commissioners for improving the port and harbour of Waterford, being the Local Authority having jurisdiction in the matters hereinafter mentioned, erected some years since a lighthouse on the spit of passage, about seven nautical miles within the entrance of Waterford Harbour, and exhibited a light therefrom ; and also placed sundry buoys and other seamarks between Cheekpoint and Duncannon Bar in the said harbour :

And whereas, to provide for the construction and maintenance of the said lighthouse, and the maintenance of the said buoys and other seamarks between Cheekpoint and Duncannon Bar, Her Majesty, by an Order in Council dated the twenty-sixth day of June, eighteen hundred and sixty-seven, in exercise of the powers vested in Her by said recited Act, was pleased to direct that there should be paid to the said Commissioners for improving the port and harbour of Waterford in respect of every vessel (with certain exceptions), whether British or foreign, of eighty-one tons burden and upwards, which having entered the said port and harbour, and come up the same as far as Duncannon, might pass or derive benefit from the said lighthouse, buoys, or other seamarks, or any of them, the toll of one farthing per ton of the burden of every such vessel :

And whereas, for the further benefit of navigation the said Commissioners have now undertaken the construction of another lighthouse at the eastern entrance of the Queen's Channel, and have represented that provision should be made for the first cost and maintenance of the same, and that the dues which are leviable under the said Order in Council of the twenty-sixth day of June, eighteen hundred and sixty-seven, should from and after the date hereinafter named cease to be leviable, but that like dues should in future be leviable in respect of the said new lighthouse at the eastern entrance of the Queen's Channel and of the buoys and other seamarks in the said port and harbour of Waterford, both above and below Cheekpoint :

And whereas the said Commissioners have further represented that it is expedient that from and after the date hereinafter named, a reduction

should be made as under in the dues at present leviable from vessels entering the said port and harbour but not coming up the same higher than Cheekpoint :

And whereas it has been made to appear to Her Majesty that the application is reasonable and proper :

Now therefore Her Majesty, upon the application of the said Commissioners, and in exercise of the powers vested in Her by the said recited Act, by and with the advice of Her Privy Council, is pleased to direct that from and after the first day of April, eighteen hundred and seventy-eight, there shall be paid to the said Commissioners for improving the port and harbour of Waterford

(a.) In respect of every vessel, whether British or foreign, of eighty-one tons burden and upwards, which having entered the said port and harbour and come up the same may cross to the westward of an imaginary straight line drawn from Cheekpoint Promontory to Drumdowney Point, and may pass and derive benefit from the said new lighthouse at the eastern entrance of the Queen's Channel, and the said buoys or other seamarks above and below Cheekpoint, or any of them (except vessels of Her Majesty's Royal Navy, Government revenue vessels, vessels of war belonging to foreign Governments, vessels belonging to or used by the General Lighthouse Authorities or the Board of Trade, and vessels when supplied with the ordinary fishing gear and employed in catching fish, or in carrying to port fresh fish from the fishing grounds), for each time of entering the harbour of Waterford the toll of one farthing per ton of the burden of every such vessel :

(b.) In respect of every vessel as aforesaid, and with the exceptions aforesaid, which having passed Duncannon Bar may come up to the said port and harbour of Waterford as far as, or to any point short of, the said imaginary straight line drawn from Cheekpoint Promontory to Drumdowney Point, and may pass and derive benefit from any of the said seamarks, for each time of entering the harbour of Waterford the toll of one-eighth of a penny per ton of the burden of every such vessel.

But vessels liable to the former of these tolls shall not be liable to the second in addition.

*C. L. Peel.*

AT the Court at *Windsor*, the 12th day of  
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PRESENT.

The QUEEN's Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

WHEREAS by the four hundred and tenth section of "The Merchant Shipping Act, 1854," it is enacted that upon the completion of any new lighthouse, buoy, or beacon Her Majesty may by Order in Council fix such dues in respect thereof, to be paid by the master or owner of every ship which passes the same or derives benefit therefrom, as Her Majesty may deem reasonable, and may from time to time alter the amount thereof ; and that such dues shall be paid and collected in the same manner, by the same means, and subject to the same conditions in, by, and subject to which the Light Dues authorized to be levied by the said Act are paid and collected :

And whereas the Commissioners of Irish Lights have erected and are about to illuminate a new