

carried on board their respective ships: Provided always, that if any such deserter has committed any crime in Her Majesty's dominions, he may be detained till he has been tried by a competent court, and until his sentence, if any, has been carried into effect.

And the Secretary of State for the Home Department, the Secretary of State for the Colonies, and the Secretary of State for India in Council, are to give the necessary directions herein accordingly.

C. L. Peel.

AT the Court at Windsor, the 12th day of July, 1887.

PRESENT:

The QUEEN'S Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

WHEREAS by the three hundred and thirty-third section of "The Merchant Shipping Act, 1854," it is enacted that it shall be lawful for every Pilotage Authority, by bye-laws made with the consent of Her Majesty in Council from time to time to do within its district all or any of the things specified in that behalf by the said section:

And whereas the Pilotage Board of Gloucester, being the Pilotage Authority for the Port of Gloucester within the meaning of the said recited Act, have, in exercise of the powers in them vested by that Act, and by "The Bristol Channel Pilotage Act, 1861," from time to time made and submitted for the consent of Her Majesty certain bye-laws and regulations, the latest of which were approved by Order in Council, dated the twenty-eighth day of November, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-four:—

And whereas the said Pilotage Board have made and submitted for the consent of Her Majesty certain bye-laws and regulations, which are set forth in the schedule hereto, in substitution for the existing bye-laws and regulations of the Pilotage Board, with respect to pilots, pilotage, and pilotage dues within their district, and under their jurisdiction:

And whereas it has been made to appear to Her Majesty that the said bye-laws and regulations are reasonable and proper:

Now, therefore, Her Majesty, by virtue of the power vested in Her by the said Merchant Shipping Act, 1854, and by and with the advice of Her Privy Council is pleased to approve of, and signify Her consent to, the said bye-laws and regulations of the said Pilotage Board, as set forth in the schedule hereto annexed and to their substitution for the existing bye-laws and regulations.

C. L. Peel.

SCHEDULE referred to in the foregoing Order.
BYE-LAWS for the Regulation of Pilots and

Pilotage at the Port of Gloucester.

1. Subject to the provisions contained in the 24th Section of the Bristol Channel Pilotage Act, 1861, no person shall be eligible, or shall be appointed to act as a pilot, unless he shall have served a regular apprenticeship for five years to a pilot of the district, and been at least one year in the coasting or over sea trade, or shall have been engaged as master in the coasting trade in the waters of the district for not less than five years; and no person shall be eligible if less than twenty-three years or more than forty-five years of age.

2. No person shall be licensed to act as a pilot in the district unless he shall have passed a creditable examination on the following subjects, viz. :—

He must be able—

- (1.) To read and write.
- (2.) To produce a Board of Trade Certificate as to colour blindness.
- (3.) To give the course and distance between any two places within the limits of the Channel.
- (4.) The rise, velocity, and set of the tides.
- (5.) The depth and character of the soundings.
- (6.) The best anchorages, and where to stop for a tide.
- (7.) The sand banks, rocks, shoals, and other dangers.
- (8.) The land marks, buoys, lights, their different bearings and distances.
- (9.) The appearance of the different headlands.
- (10.) The management of a vessel—to bring her to anchor—to keep her clear of her anchor in a tideway—to moor—unmoor—to get under weigh and to handle a vessel under any circumstances.

3. As well as the general power conferred upon the Commissioners to grant licenses, the Pilotage Board shall also have power to grant the following Licenses to Pilots:—

From the date of appointment and for 2½ years, a license to pilot vessels not exceeding 300 tons register.

After 2½ years and up to 5 years, a license to pilot vessels not exceeding 500 tons register.

After 5 years and up to 7 years, a license to pilot vessels not exceeding 1,000 tons register.

After 7 years, a full license.

The Board shall have full power to withhold any such license if they should be of opinion that any pilot is not fully entitled to receive the same.

4. No junior pilot shall take charge of a ship going to sea above the tonnage for which he is licensed unless a senior pilot is not present, notwithstanding that such junior pilot may have brought the ship into port, and no pilot shall take charge of any ship above the tonnage for which he is licensed unless in the absence of a senior pilot, and if by reason of such absence a junior pilot has taken charge of any such vessel he may be superseded by a senior pilot between Kingroad and Lundy, unless the master of such vessel shall desire to retain his services. But no junior pilot is on any account to take charge of vessels above 500 tons between Kingroad and Sharpness, and vice versa, if the services of a senior pilot can be obtained.

5. The pilots must keep log sheets showing how, when, and where employed, and copies of the same shall be made out by the respective pilots, and handed in once a month to the Pilot Master not later than the 12th day in the succeeding month.

6. The Board may require each pilot to provide himself with a good and efficient boat, which shall be approved and registered by the Board. The Board may permit more than one pilot, but not more than three, to sail in the same boat upon such terms as the Board may order.

There shall be one indentured apprentice to each boat.

7. Every licensed pilot employed in piloting vessels to or from the Port of Gloucester, shall be paid the pilotage rates, according to the register tonnage of the vessel, according to the schedule hereto, one-fifth shall be deducted for vessels propelled or towed wholly by steam power between Kingroad and Sharpness.