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At the Court at Windsor, the 5th day of July, 1889.

PRESENT,

The QUEEN'S Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

WHEREAS there was this day read at the Board a Memorial from the Right Honourable the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty, dated the seventh day of June, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-nine, in the words following, viz. :—

“Whereas by the thirtieth section of an Act passed in the twenty-ninth year of Your Majesty's reign, cap. eighty-nine, entitled the Greenwich Hospital Act, 1865, it is enacted that the Admiralty may, with the approval of Your Majesty in Council, from time to time make free grants of land, part of the lands vested in them by virtue of this Act, ‘for the erection of buildings * * * or other public purposes (so that any such grant of land do not include any right to the minerals under the land granted, or comprise more than two acres in any one parish).’

“We humbly beg leave to submit that Your Majesty will be graciously pleased by Your Order in Council to sanction the free grant of a piece of ground in the town of Alston, comprising about 132½ square yards, for the improvement of the approach to the parish church and of the public thoroughfare.”

Her Majesty having taken the said Memorial into consideration, was pleased, by and with the advice of Her Privy Council, to approve of what is therein proposed.

And the Right Honourable the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty are to give the necessary directions herein accordingly. *C. L. Peel.*

At the Court at Windsor, the 5th day of July, 1889.

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-law 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 in the said section.

And whereas the Inverness Harbour Trustees being a Pilotage Authority within the meaning of the said Act, have, in exercise of the powers

vested in them by that Act, made and submitted for the consent of Her Majesty Bye-laws with respect to Pilots, and Pilotage within their district and under their jurisdiction, copy of which Bye-laws is set forth in the schedule hereto annexed :

And whereas it has been made to appear to Her Majesty that the said Bye-laws 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, as set forth in the schedule hereto annexed.

C. L. Peel.

SCHEDULE.

I. It is the duty of Pilots licensed by the Trustees, and they are hereby required, at all times to be on the look-out, and when a signal for a Pilot is observed from any ship or vessel going out of, or coming into, the port of Inverness, including the River Ness, to proceed with all dispatch, to take charge of such ship or vessel. And should the Master, Owner, or other person in command of a vessel requiring a Pilot, whether leaving or entering the harbour, including river, refuse to allow the Pilot first offering himself at the vessel to take charge of her as aforesaid, such Master or Owner shall be liable to the said Pilot in a penalty equal to the full Pilotage dues, besides expenses. Pilots quitting the ships or vessels of which they have charge without consent of the Master, shall forfeit their pilotage dues, and incur a penalty of not less than one pound, and not exceeding five pounds for such offence.

II. No person shall *in future* act as a Harbour Pilot (excepting always masters or mates licensed for their own vessels only), unless he has been examined, and found skilful and qualified to act as Pilot for the Harbour, and has received a Pilot's licence. Every person applying to be licensed as a Harbour Pilot must be able to read and write, and must set forth in his application his usual place of abode, his age, height, complexion, and any other circumstance or peculiarity descriptive of his person, and produce a satisfactory certificate of moral character.

III. Every boat shall have a crew of two men, or one man and two boys, besides the licensed Pilot, and when afloat shall have a flag at the mast-head; or on a sprit or staff, or in some other equally conspicuous situation; and such flag shall be of large dimensions, and of two colours—the upper half white, and the lower half red.