of Manchester, have made and submitted for confirmation by Her Majesty certain Byelaws as set forth in the Schedule hereto annexed:

And whereas it has been made to appear to Her Majesty that the proposed Byelaws are proper and reasonable:

And whereas the provisions of section one of the Rules Publication Act, 1893, have been complied with.

Now, therefore, Her Majesty, by virtue of the powers vested in Her by "The Merchant Shipping Act, 1894," and by and with the advice of Her Privy Council, is pleased to approve of and confirm the said Byelaws as set forth in the Schedule hereto annexed.

C. L. Peel.

SCHEDULE. BYE-LAWS.

 The following Bye-laws shall commence and take effect on the first day of December one thousand eight hundred and ninety-five.

2. In the construction of these Bye-laws "the Company" shall mean the Manchester Ship Canal Company, the expression "the Directors" shall mean the Directors for the time being of the Manchester Ship Canal Company, and "the Canal" shall mean the Manchester Ship Canal.

3. Pilotage upon the Canal is not compulsory, but no Pilot, except qualified and licensed as hereinafter mentioned, shall be permitted to navigate, conduct, or move any vessel within the Canal, Docks, and Basins of the Company.

4: The Company may, if they deem it expedient so to do, examine any person (or persons) who shall be desirous to act as a Pilot, and every person who shall be approved of by the Company shall receive a licence in writing, signed by the Company's Secretary, stating that he is duly qualified to act as a Pilot on the Canal, and also setting forth the name, age, stature, complexion, and place of abode of the person so licensed.

5. Every licence granted by the Company shall expire on the first day of the month of September which shall first happen after the granting thereof, and for the licence which shall be granted to any person upon his first admission as a Pilot, there shall be paid to the Company the sum of £2 2s., and for the second and every subsequent licence which shall be granted to such person the sum of £1 1s.

6. Every licensed Pilot shall exhibit his licence to the Master of the vessel, and give his name and address and behave with strict sobriety and respect, and use his utmost care and diligence to conduct the vessel to her destination safely, and without damage to any vessel or other property; and he shall obey and execute all lawful orders given by the Company's Superintendents, Dockmasters, and Officials relative to the locking, towing, transporting, or removing of any vessel under his charge, and he shall not, when the signal is against him, bring or attempt to bring any vessel into any lock, dock, or basin without an order in writing from an authorized Official of the Company.

7. Every Pilot to whom a licence has been granted shall provide himself with a flag of the usual dimensions and of two colours, the upper horizontal half red and the lower horizontal half white, and on taking charge as Pilot of any vessel, and so long as he remains in charge, he shall cause his flag to be hoisted on board such vessel where it may be most conspicuously seen, and shall keep this flag continually flying until he is discharged or relieved by another Pilot.

8. Every Pilot shall, when on duty, always have with him a good watch, a tide table, a copy

of the Company's Bye-laws, his licence, and his

9. Every licensed Pilot shall, before leaving any vessel piloted by him either inwards or outwards, obtain from the officer in command of such vessel a certificate of his services, and shall, upon landing, report himself to the Company's Superintendent or Official in charge at such landing, and deliver up to such Superintendent or Official every such certificate and all moneys received by him.

10. No person to whom a pilotage licence shall be granted by the Company shall add to or in any way alter such licence or make or alter any endorsement thereon, nor shall at any time lend such licence.

11. A licensed Pilot shall not, without the Company's consent, demand or receive in respect of any services any payment either in excess of or less than the amount which he shall under any resolution or regulation of the Company for the time being in force be entitled to receive.

12. Whenever any licensed Pilot shall observe any alteration in any of the banks or the depth of water in the Canal, or that any buoys, beacons, or lights have been driven away, broken down, damaged, or are out of place, or any circumstances affecting the safety of the navigation of the Canal, he shall forthwith send correct written information thereof to the Manager of the Company.

13. Whenever any accident shall have happened to or been caused by any vessel while in charge of a licensed Pilot, such Pilot shall, immediately after leaving the vessel, report the facts of such accident, so far as he knows them, to the nearest Canal Superintendent.

14. Any licensed Pilot losing his licence shall forthwith give notice thereof to the Company's Secretary, stating the circumstances under which, the licence was lost, and the Company's Secretary shall, unless he shall be satisfied that the loss has been caused by the Pilot's misconduct, cause to be issued to such Pilot a duplicate licence in a form to be approved by the Company. For a duplicate licence a licensed Pilot shall pay to the Company such a sum, not exceeding two pounds two shillings, as the Company may direct in each case.

15. All pilotage rates shall be collected by the Company, and paid to the Pilots who earn the same, less a reasonable deduction for the cost of collection. Such pilotage rates shall be as follows:—

An initial fee shall be paid for each vessel when requiring pilotage service entering or leaving the Canal, according to the net registered tonnage.

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and in addition thereto a sum at the rate of one shilling per mile or portion of a mile for the distance navigated. Vessels in ballast shall pay the full initial fee, but only half of the mileage rate.

16. When pilotage service is rendered to a vessel in the Canal, but when not entering or leaving the Canal, one-half the above-named initial fee is to be charged, in addition to the mileage rate of one shilling per mile.

17. In case any licensed Pilot shall refuse to pilot any inward or outward bound vessel upon the request of the Master thereof, or in case it shall be proved to the satisfaction of the Company's Directors that any Pilot shall in any manner have failed in or neglected his duty as a