CAP. V.

An Act to Admit Foreign Ships to the Coasting Trade. [23d *March* 1854.]

'WHEREAS by the One hundred and fifty-second Section of the Customs Consolidation Act, 1853, it is enacted, that no Goods or Passengers shall be carried Coastwise from one Part of the United Kingdom to another, except in *British* Ships: And whereas by the One hundred and ninety-first Section of the same Act it is enacted, that no Goods or Passengers shall be imported into the United Kingdom from the *Channel Islands* or exported from the United Kingdom to the said Islands, or carried from one of the said Islands to another, or from one Part of any of the said Islands to another Part thereof, except in *British* Ships: And whereas it is expedient to remove the Restrictions contained in the said recited Enactments:' Be it enacted by the Queen's most Excellent Majesty, by and with the Advice and Consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the Authority of the same, as follows:

Recital of 16 & 17 Vict. c. 107. ss. 152. & 191.

I. The Enactments herein-before recited, that is to say, the One hundred and fifty-second and the One hundred and ninety-first Sections of the said Customs Consolidation Act, 1853, shall be repealed from the passing of this Act: Provided, that it shall be lawful for Her Majesty to exercise, in respect of Foreign Ships employed in the Coasting Trade as aforesaid, and of Goods carried Coastwise in such Ships, such or the like Powers as are conferred on Her Majesty by the Three hundred and twenty-fourth, Three hundred and twenty-fifth, and Three hundred and twenty-sixth Sections of the said Customs Consolidation Act, 1853, in respect of Foreign Ships employed in the Oversea Trade, and of Goods exported or imported in such Ships.

Repeal of the recited Enactments. The Queen enabled to exercise retaliatory Powers as in 16 & 17 Vict. c. 107. ss. 324, 325, & 326.

II. Every Foreign Ship which after the passing of this Act is employed in carrying Goods or Passengers Coastwise from one Part of the United Kingdom to another, or from the Islands of *Guernsey*, *Jersey*, *Alderney*, *Sark*, or *Man*, to the United Kingdom, or from the United Kingdom to any of the said Islands, or from any of the said Islands to any other of them, or from any Part of any one of the said Islands to any other Part of the same, shall be subject, as to Stores for the Use of the Crew, and in all other respects, to the same Laws, Rules, and Regulations to which *British* Ships when so employed are now subject.

Foreign Ships in the Coasting Trade to be subject to the same Rules as British Ships.

III. No Foreign Ship which after the passing of this Act is employed in the Coasting Trade as aforesaid, nor any Goods carried in any such Ship, shall, during the Time such Ship is so employed, be subject to any higher or other Rate of Dock, Pier, Harbour, Light, Pilotage, Tonnage, or other Dues, Duties, Tolls, Rates, or other Charges whatsoever, or to any other Rules as to the Employment of Pilots, or any other Rules or Restrictions whatsoever, than *British* Ships employed in like Manner, or Goods carried in such Ships, any Law, Charter, special Privilege, or Grant to the contrary notwithstanding; nor shall any Body Corporate or Person having or claiming any Right or Title to any such higher or other Rates, Dues, Duties, Tolls, or other Charges as aforesaid be entitled to any Compensation in respect thereof under any Law or Statute relating thereto, or otherwise howsoever.

Foreign Ships employed in the Coasting Trade not to be subject to higher Rates than British Ships.

IV. And whereas it is expedient to provide for the Safety of Passenger Steamers: Be it enacted, That every Foreign Steam Vessel carrying Passengers from one Place to another on the Coasts of the United Kingdom of *Great Britain* and *Ireland* and the *Channel Islands* shall be subject to the Provisions of the Steam Navigation Act, 1851.

Foreign Steam Vessels carrying Passengers Coastwise to be subject to the Provisions of 14 & 15 Vict. c. 79.

CAP. VI.

An Act for the Regulation of Her Majesty's Royal Marine Forces while on shore. [23d *March* 1854.]

'WHEREAS it is judged necessary for the Safety of the United Kingdom, and the Defence of the Possessions of this Realm, that a Body of Royal Marine Forces should be employed in Her Majesty's Fleet and Naval Service, under the Direction of the Lord High