ANNO VICESIMO OCTAVO & VICESIMO NONO

VICTORIÆ REGINÆ.

****

CAP. LI.

An Act to enable the Admiralty to contract for certain Works in connexion with the Extension of Her Majesty's Dockyards. [29th *June* 1865.]

WHEREAS it is expedient that Her Majesty's Dockyards at *Portsmouth* and *Chatham* be greatly extended, and it would conduce to Economy in the Execution of the Works if the Commissioners of the Admiralty were empowered to take Contracts for Portions thereof extending over a Series of Years:

Be it therefore 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:

Power to make Contracts for Works.

1. The Expenses to be incurred in the Execution of the Works described in the First Schedule to this Act, for the Extension of Her Majesty's Dockyards at *Portsmouth* and *Chatham*, shall be defrayed out of Money to be provided by Parliament for that Purpose; and the Commissioners for executing the Office of Lord High Admiral may accordingly, before the Thirty-first Day of *March* One thousand eight hundred and sixty-six, enter into

Contracts

Contracts on behalf of Her Majesty for the Execution of Portions of those Works, subject to the following Conditions :—

First, that the total Amounts to be made payable under all or any such Contracts for Works at the said Dockyards respectively do not exceed the respective Sums stated with reference thereto in the Second Column of the Second Schedule to this Act.

Secondly, that the Amounts to be made payable under all or any such Contracts in any Period of Twelve Months do not exceed the respective Sums stated with reference thereto in the Third Column of the same Schedule.

Thirdly, that the Duration of any such Contract do not exceed the respective Number of Years stated with reference thereto in the Fourth Column of the same Schedule.

Contracts to be laid before Houses of Parliament.

2. A Copy of every Contract entered into by virtue of this Act shall be laid before both Houses of Parliament within Thirty Days after the same is entered into, if Parliament is then sitting, and if not then within Thirty Days after the next meeting of Parliament.

Short Title.

3. This Act may be cited as The Dockyard Extensions Act, 1865.

The FIRST SCHEDULE.

Dockyard.	Works designed.	Total estimated Expenditure from 1st April 1865.
		£
PORTSMOUTH -	Construction of an Avant Port or Tidal Basin on Eastern Shore of Harbour to North of present Dockyard, and of Repairing Basin, Rigging Basin, and Fitting-out Basin, with Five Docks and Two Locks connected therewith -	1,497,500
CHATHAM -	Inclosure of St. Mary's Island and Creek in extension Northwards of present Dockyard, and Construction thereon of Repairing Basin, Factory Basin, and Fitting-out Basin, with Two Docks, One Lock, and Factory Buildings connected therewith - - - - -	1,096,120

The SECOND SCHEDULE.

Dockyard.	Maximum of Contracts.	Maximum to be made payable in any Twelve Months.	Maximum Duration of Contracts.
	£	£	
PORTSMOUTH -	700,000	250,000	5 Years.
CHATHAM -	650,000	200,000	5 Years.

LONDON:
Printed by GEORGE EDWARD EYRE and WILLIAM SPOTTISWOODE,
Printers to the Queen's most Excellent Majesty. 1865.