CHAPTER 52.

An Act to make regulations for preventing Collisions in the Sea Channels leading to the River Mersey. [30th July 1874.]

WHEREAS it is expedient to make special regulations for preventing collisions between vessels in the sea channels leading to the River Mersey:

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:

Special regulations for preventing collisions in the approaches to the River Mersey.

1. Any general regulations for preventing collisions at sea for the time being in force under the provisions of the Merchant Shipping Acts shall be construed as if the following regulations were added thereto; that is to say,

(1.) Every steam-ship, and every vessel in tow of any steam-ship, when navigating in the sea channels or approaches to the River Mersey, between the Rock Light-house and the furthest point seawards to which such sea channels or approaches respectively are for the time being buoyed on both sides, shall, whenever it is safe and practicable, keep to that side of the fairway or mid-channel which lies on the starboard side of such steam-ship or vessel in tow.

(2.) Every ship at anchor in the said sea channels or approaches within the limits aforesaid, shall carry the single white light prescribed by Article 7 of the General Regulations for preventing Collisions at Sea, made under the authority of the "Merchant Shipping Acts Amendment Act, 1862," at a height not exceeding twenty feet above the hull, suspended from the forestay, or otherwise near the bow of the ship where it can be best seen; and, in addition to the said light all ships having two or more masts shall exhibit another similar white light, at double the height of the bow light, at the main or mizzen-peak, or the boom topping lift, or other position near the stern where it can be best seen.

Commencement of Act.

2. This Act shall not come into operation until the first day of November one thousand eight hundred and seventy-four.

CHAPTER 53.

An Act to amend the Law relating to the payment of Revising Barristers. [30th July 1874.]

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:

Amendment of section 59 of 6 & 7 Vict. c. 18. as to payment of substitutes for revising barristers.

1. Whereas doubts have arisen as to whether the provisions of the fifty-ninth section of the Parliamentary Electors Registration Act, 1843, with respect to the payment of barristers appointed to revise any list of voters in addition to the revising barristers originally appointed, apply to the payment of substitutes appointed in case of the death, illness, or absence of any revising barrister, or from any other cause, and it is expedient to remove such doubts, and to provide for the payment of such substitutes:

Be it therefore enacted that—

Where by reason of the death, illness, or absence of any barrister appointed to revise the lists of voters for any county, city, or borough, or from any other cause, a barrister is after the passing of this Act appointed to act in the place of the barrister so originally appointed, there shall be paid to him out of the sum which under section fifty-nine of the Parliamentory Electors Registration Act, 1843, would otherwise be payable to the barrister originally appointed, such sum for his remuneration and travelling expenses as to the Lord Chief Justice or judge who appointed him may seem reasonable.