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An Act to dissolve the present Body of the *Wexford* Harbour Commissioners, and to appoint new Commissioners, and for other Purposes.

[7th *July* 1862.]

WHEREAS by an Act (Local) passed in the Sixth and Seventh Years of Her Majesty, Chapter Forty-one, intituled *An Act for improving, maintaining, and regulating the Harbour of* Wexford *in the County of* Wexford, (herein-after called the Act of 1843,) certain Persons, as therein provided, were constituted Commissioners for carrying the Act into execution, under the Name and Style of "The *Wexford* Harbour Commissioners" (herein-after called the old Commissioners), and certain Powers for the Regulation of the said Harbour and other Purposes were thereby vested in them: And whereas the old Commissioners are too numerous for the efficient Management of the said Harbour, and it is expedient that another Body of Commissioners should be elected and appointed in lieu thereof in the Manner herein-after mentioned: And whereas it is expedient that further Powers should be conferred upon the Commissioners to be elected and appointed under this Act, and that the Powers for the Management of the Pipe Water of the Borough of *Wexford* should be transferred to the Corporation of the said Borough: And whereas the Objects aforesaid cannot

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be effected without the Aid and Authority of Parliament: May it therefore please Your Majesty that it may be enacted; and 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; (that is to say,)

Short Title.

1. This Act may for all Purposes be cited as "The *Wexford* Harbour Commissioners Act, 1862."

Commencement of Act.

2. This Act shall commence and have effect on and after the First *Tuesday* after the passing thereof.

Interpretation of Terms.

3. The following Words and Expressions in this Act have, for the Purposes of this Act, the following Meanings, unless excluded by the Subject or Context; that is to say,

"The Admiralty" means the Lord High Admiral of the United Kingdom of *Great Britain* and *Ireland*, or the Commissioners for executing the Office of Lord High Admiral of the United Kingdom:

"The old Commissioners" means the Commissioners appointed under the Act of 1843:

"The Commissioners" means the Commissioners under this Act for the Time being:

"The Corporation of *Wexford*" means the Mayor, Aldermen, and Town Council of the Town and Borough of *Wexford*:

"The Harbour" means the Harbour of *Wexford*, and all Places within the Limits thereof as defined by the Act of 1843:

Same Meanings to Words in incorporated Act as in this Act.

The several Words and Expressions to which by the Act incorporated with this Act Meanings are assigned have in this Act the same respective Meanings, unless excluded by the Subject or Context.

Part of Act of 1843 repealed.

4. On and after the First Election and Appointment of the Commissioners under this Act, all the Provisions in the Act of 1843 contained, relating to the Appointment and Form of Proceedings of the old Commissioners, are by this Act repealed.

Commissioners incorporated.

5. The Commissioners to be elected and appointed as herein-after mentioned shall be called "The *Wexford* Harbour Commissioners," and shall be a Body Corporate with a Common Seal, with Authority to put this Act and so much of the Act of 1843 as is not repealed by this Act into execution.

All Arrears of Rates and Monies due under Act of 1843 vested

6. Notwithstanding such Repeal, all Monies due to, and all the Wharfs, Quays, and other Property belonging to, and all Choses in Action vested in, the old Commissioners in connexion with the said Harbour, shall immediately on the First Election and Appointment of the

the Commissioners under this Act become due and belong to and be vested in the Commissioners, and the Commissioners may sue for and recover the same, and act in respect thereof, as effectually as if the same had been vested in them under the Act of 1843, and they shall be liable to all the Debts and Engagements connected with the said Harbour to which the old Commissioners were liable at the Commencement of this Act. in new Commissioners.

7. Notwithstanding such Repeal, any Action, Suit, Prosecution, or other Proceeding, commenced either by or against the old Commissioners before the Election and Appointment of Commissioners under this Act, shall not abate or be discontinued or prejudicially affected by this Act, but on the contrary shall continue and take effect, both in favour of and against the Commissioners, in the same Manner to all Intents as if the same had been commenced by or against the Commissioners. Actions not to abate, &c.

8. Notwithstanding such Repeal, all Byelaws of the old Commissioners made before the Commencement of this Act shall for the Purposes of this Act continue in full Force as if such Repeal had not happened, and may be enforced during the Period of Six Months after the passing of this Act, and no longer; and all Proceedings thereon may be continued or taken, and all Penalties thereunder may be recovered, as if they were Byelaws made under the Act of 1843 and the Acts incorporated therewith. Byelaws continued.

9. Notwithstanding such Repeal, all Resolutions, Orders, and Proceedings of the old Commissioners, which immediately before the Election and Appointment of Commissioners under this Act were binding on the old Commissioners, or their Officers or Servants, or any of them, shall continue in full Force, and be in like Manner binding as if they were passed, made, or taken under this Act. Resolutions, &c. continued.

10. Notwithstanding such Repeal, all Documents, Books, and Writings by the Act of 1843 directed or authorized to be kept, and which, if such Repeal had not happened, would be receivable in Evidence, shall be admitted in Evidence in all Courts of Law and Equity and elsewhere accordingly. Books, &c. continued Evidence.

11. Notwithstanding such Repeal, every Officer and Servant appointed by virtue of or acting under the Act of 1843 shall hold and enjoy his Office and Employment with the Salary thereunto annexed, and be deemed an Officer and Servant of the Commissioners, until he be removed from the Office and Employment, and he shall have the like Power and Authority for the Purposes of this Act, and be subject to the like Power of Removal, Regulations, Pains, and Penalties, as if he were appointed under this Act. Officers continued.

12. Except

General Saving of Rights.

12. Except only as is by this Act otherwise expressly provided, everything before the Commencement of this Act done, suffered, and confirmed respectively, under or by virtue of the Provisions of the Act of 1843 hereby repealed, shall be as valid as if the Repeal had not happened, and the Repeal of those Provisions shall accordingly be subject and without Prejudice to everything so done, suffered, confirmed, and made valid respectively, and to all Rights, Liabilities, Claims, and Demands, both present and future, which, if the Repeal had not happened would be incidental to or consequent on any and every thing so done, suffered, and confirmed respectively; and as to all such Rights, Liabilities, Claims, and Demands the Commissioners shall be responsible and liable: Provided always, that the Generality of this Provision shall not be restricted by this or any other of the Clauses and Provisions of this Act.

10 & 11 Vict. c. 16. incorporated.

13. "The Commissioners Clauses Act, 1847," so far as the same is not modified by or inconsistent with the Provisions of this Act, shall be incorporated with this Act: Provided always, that the Clauses thereof with respect to the Election and Rotation of the Commissioners, where the Commissioners are to be elected by the Ratepayers or other like Class of Electors, shall apply only to the Elections to be held by the qualified Electors herein-after mentioned, and not to the Elections to be held by the Corporation of *Wexford*, or to the Elections to be held by the registered Shipowners.

Commissioners to be elected and appointed under this Act.

14. The Commissioners of the Harbour of *Wexford* shall be as follows: the Mayor of *Wexford* for the Time being, Six Persons to be elected by the registered Shipowners, Six Persons to be elected by such Persons as shall from Time to Time be qualified by Law to vote at the Election of a Member of Parliament for the Borough of *Wexford* (herein called the qualified Electors), One Person to be elected by the Corporation of *Wexford*, and Four Persons to be appointed by the Admiralty.

Admiralty to appoint Commissioners.

15. On or before the First *Thursday* in *August* One thousand eight hundred and sixty-two, and on or before the First *Thursday* in *August* in every subsequent Year, the Admiralty shall send to the Secretary of the old Commissioners or to the Secretary of the Commissioners, as the Case may be, a List under the Hand of their Secretary containing the Names and Residences of the Persons appointed by them to act during the ensuing Year as Commissioners, and the Persons who have been appointed by the Admiralty to act as Commissioners in any preceding Year shall be qualified to act as Commissioners in any subsequent Year.

16. Every

Qualification of Commissioners.

16. Every Commissioner under this Act shall have the following Qualification:

In order to be elected by the registered Shipowners or by the qualified Electors respectively he shall be resident within the Town of *Wexford*, or within Ten Statute Miles measured along any public Road from the Court House of the said Town, and shall be and have been for Twelve Months previous to the Meeting at which he is elected rated to the Relief of the Poor in respect of Premises within that Distance to the Amount of Twenty Pounds and upwards:

In order to be elected by the Corporation of *Wexford* he shall be a Member of the Corporation:

And in order to be appointed by the Admiralty he shall be a Resident within Ten Miles of the Borough of *Wexford* measured as aforesaid.

Qualification of Electors as herein stated.

17. Every Elector under this Act shall have the following Qualification:

In order to vote at any Election by the registered Shipowners he shall be and have been the Owner for Six Months previous to such Election of Thirty Tons or upwards of Shipping either in One or more Vessels of and belonging to the Port of *Wexford*, such Vessel being duly registered in the said Port according to Law, and according to the Usage, as to the Limits of such Port, of the Commissioners of Customs for the Time being, and he shall be entitled to One Vote; and if he shall be an Owner for the like Period of Five hundred Tons and upwards of Shipping in One or more such Vessels registered as aforesaid he shall be entitled to Two Votes:

In order to vote at any Election by the Corporation of *Wexford* he shall be a Member of that Corporation:

And in order to vote at any Election by the qualified Electors he shall at the Time be qualified to vote at the Election of a Member of Parliament for the said Borough.

As to Votes of registered Shipowners being Partners.

18. In every Case of several Persons being registered as Shipowners in Partnership, or under the Name of a Company, and whether as part Owners or sole Owners, or both, they shall, with respect to the Scale of Voters, be deemed One Person, and any One of the Members authorized in Writing by the other Members of the Firm, or by a Majority of them, or, in the Case of a Corporate Company, authorized by the Company under their Common Seal, shall alone be entitled to exercise on behalf of their Firm or the Company the Right of voting at the Election of a Commissioner by the registered Shipowners.

Notice of Candidates to be given.

19. No Person shall be elected a Commissioner at any Time under this Act unless his Name shall have been given in as a Candidate by himself,

himself, or by a Person or Persons entitled to vote at such Election, to the Secretary of the old Commissioners or his Deputy, or to the Secretary of the Commissioners or his Deputy, at his Office in the Town of *Wexford*, Forty-eight Hours at least (exclusive of *Sunday*, *Good Friday*, or *Christmas Day*) previous to the Time of such Election, and who shall not at such Election be proposed and seconded by Electors duly qualified to vote as herein-before mentioned.

Collector of Rates to make a yearly List of registered Shipowners Vessels and Tonnage, and to certify its Accuracy.

20. For the Purposes of the First and subsequent Elections from Time to Time by registered Shipowners under this Act, the Collector of Rates appointed under the Act of 1843 or this Act shall, on or before the Fifteenth Day of *July* in the Year One thousand eight hundred and sixty-two and the Fifteenth Day of *July* in every subsequent Year, make and deliver to the Secretary of the old Commissioners or of the Commissioners, as the Case may be, a List wherein shall be entered the Names of all Persons registered in the Books of the Custom House at *Wexford* as the Owners on the Thirtieth Day of *June* then next preceding, and for a Period of Six Months immediately preceding that Date, of Thirty Tons or upwards, and of Five hundred Tons and upwards respectively, of Shipping registered as belonging to the Port of *Wexford*, and shall at the Foot of the List sign a Certificate of its Accuracy.

Certified List to be deposited for public Inspection.

21. For the Purposes of the First and subsequent Elections by the registered Shipowners under this Act the old Commissioners shall on every Day during the Seven Days ending with the Twenty-fourth Day of *July* in the Year One thousand eight hundred and sixty-two, and the Commissioners elected and appointed under this Act shall during the like Seven Days in every subsequent Year, cause a Copy of the certified List then last made for the Purposes of this Act to be deposited for public Inspection with their Secretary at their Office in *Wexford*; and on Payment of a reasonable Sum for the same, not exceeding One Shilling, such Secretary or other Officer shall deliver a Copy of the List to any Person requiring it.

Registered Shipowners on annual certified List to be the Electors.

22. The Persons whose Names appear on the annual certified List from Time to Time in force shall be the registered Shipowners for the Purposes of the Election of Commissioners by registered Shipowners under this Act, and shall at every such Election be entitled to such a Number of Votes as is by this Act provided.

Annual Election of Commissioners by registered Shipowners.

23. The First Election of Commissioners by the registered Shipowners shall take place at a Meeting of such Shipowners to be held within the Ballast Office in the Town of *Wexford*, at Twelve o'Clock Noon, on the First *Thursday* in *August* in the Year One thousand eight hundred and sixty-two; and an Election by the registered Shipowners shall take place at a Meeting of such Shipowners to be held on the First *Thursday*

Thursday in *August* in each subsequent Year, at such Hour and within such Place in the Town of *Wexford* as the Commissioners shall from Time to Time appoint, or, in the event of their at any Time failing to make such Appointment, at such Time and Place as the then existing Commissioners appointed by the registered Shipowners or a Majority of them shall appoint; and at each such Election after the First Election Two Commissioners shall be elected to supply the Place of the Commissioners elected by the registered Shipowners who shall then retire from Office as herein-after provided.

Rotation of such Commissioners.

24. At each such annual Election by the registered Shipowners after the First Election Two of the Commissioners elected by the registered Shipowners shall retire from Office, and the Rotation in which the Commissioners first so elected shall retire shall be determined by Ballot among themselves, unless they shall otherwise agree; and in all other Cases the Commissioners so elected, who shall retire by Rotation, shall be the Commissioners who have been longest in Office: Provided always, that every Commissioner so elected who shall retire by Rotation may be forthwith re-elected, and after such Re-election he shall, with respect to retiring by Rotation, be considered as a new Commissioner.

Retirement from Office of Commissioners.

25. On the First *Thursday* in *August* One thousand eight hundred and sixty-three, and on the First *Thursday* in *August* in every subsequent Year, Two of the Commissioners then in Office elected by the qualified Electors shall go out of Office, and in every such Case Two Commissioners shall be elected by the qualified Electors as by this Act provided; and the Commissioner elected by the Corporation shall also go out of Office in like Manner, and another Commissioner shall be annually elected by the Corporation in his Stead, all such Commissioners so going out of Office being re-eligible.

Period of Elections of Commissioners.

26. The First Election of the Commissioners shall be held on the First *Thursday* in *August* in the Year One thousand eight hundred and sixty-two, and the subsequent Elections shall be held on the First *Thursday* in *August* in every subsequent Year.

Meetings for Elections of Commissioners.

27. For the Elections from Time to Time of the Commissioners to be elected by the qualified Electors, Meetings shall be held at some convenient Place or Places in the Town of *Wexford*, as the old Commissioners or the Commissioners from Time to Time shall appoint; and for the Election from Time to Time of the Commissioners to be elected by the Corporation of *Wexford*, the Corporation of *Wexford* shall and they are hereby required, at the Request of the Chairman for the Time being of the old Commissioners or the Commissioners, to appoint Meetings to be held at some convenient Place or Places in the Town of *Wexford* as the Corporation of *Wexford* shall from Time to Time appoint;

appoint; and within One Week after any such Meetings the Corporation of *Wexford* shall transmit the Name of the Commissioner so elected to the Secretary for the Time being of the old Commissioners or the Commissioners, and all such Meetings shall be held between the Hours of Eleven in the Forenoon and Four in the Afternoon, and all the Meetings shall be convened by not less than Four nor more than Ten Days public Notice, specifying the Time and Place of such Meetings.

Procedure at Meetings.

28. At every such Meeting the Mayor of *Wexford* for the Time being, or his Deputy, shall preside as Chairman, and shall receive the Votes of the Electors, and shall act in all other respects as Chairman of the Meeting; and the only Business to be transacted or discussed at any such Meeting shall be the Election by the Meeting of the Persons to be elected Commissioners thereat.

Elections to be by Majority of Votes.

29. The Commissioners to be from Time to Time elected at such Meetings shall be elected by a Majority of the Votes of the Persons present, and entitled to vote at the respective Meetings for the Election, and the Votes shall only be given in Writing under the Hands of the respective Voters, provided that in every Case of an Equality of Votes the Chairman of the Meeting shall, when requisite to decide the Election, have an additional or Casting Vote.

As to supplying Vacancies in Commissioners.

30. Whenever a Commissioner dies, resigns, becomes disqualified, or from any other Cause, except his retiring from Office in Rotation, ceases to be a Commissioner, the Bodies by whom he was elected or appointed shall with all convenient Speed elect or appoint, according to the Provisions of this Act, another Person to be a Commissioner in his Place, and every Person so elected or appointed may, if he so long live, and continue qualified, continue in Office so long as his Predecessor in Office might, if he had not ceased to be a Commissioner, have continued in Office.

Meetings for Supply of casual Vacancies.

31. In every Case of a Vacancy in the Commissioners occasioned by any Cause other than that of going out of Office in Rotation the Commissioners shall, within One Month after the Vacancy, or after they have received Notice thereof, convene a Meeting of the Body by whom the Vacancy is to be supplied for the Election of a Commissioner to supply the Vacancy.

Vacancy in Commissioners not to affect their Powers.

32. The Powers of the Commissioners shall not be dependent on the whole Number of the Commissioners being at any One and the same Time in Office.

First and other Meetings of Commissioners.

33. The Commissioners shall hold their First Meeting after the First Election and Appointment of Commissioners under this Act at *Wexford* at

at the Hour of Twelve at Noon on the Second *Tuesday* in the Month of *August* One thousand eight hundred and sixty-two, and shall hold their subsequent Meetings at such Places and at such Times as they from Time to Time think fit; but, except for any Cause deemed by the Commissioners urgent, the Time appointed for the Commencement of any such Meeting shall not be later than the Hour of Twelve at Noon.

Quorum.

34. Five shall be the Quorum at all Meetings of the Commissioners under this Act.

Election of Chairman and Vice-Chairman of the Commissioners.

35. At the First Meeting of the Commissioners they shall, by the Majority of the Votes of the Commissioners present, elect One of their Body to be their Chairman, and another of their Body to be their Vice-Chairman, until the next annual Meeting of the Commissioners, when and at every subsequent annual Meeting the Commissioners shall in like Manner elect a Chairman and a Vice-Chairman for the ensuing Year, and such Vice-Chairman shall only act as Chairman until the Chairman be present; and if at any Meeting of the Commissioners the Chairman and Vice-Chairman both be absent, One of the Commissioners present shall be elected Chairman of such Meeting by the Majority of the Votes of the Commissioners present at such Meeting, to act as Chairman until either the Chairman or Vice-Chairman be present.

As to supplying Vacancies in Office of Chairman or Vice-Chairman.

36. In case such Chairman or Vice-Chairman shall die or resign, or cease to be a Commissioner, or otherwise become disqualified to act as such, the Commissioners present at the Meeting next after the Occurrence of any such Vacancy or Vacancies shall elect some other of their Body to fill such Vacancy or Vacancies; and the Person or Persons so elected shall continue in Office so long only as the Person or Persons in whose Place or Places he or they were elected would have been entitled to act as Chairman or Vice-Chairman respectively.

Accounts of Pilotage and Ballasting Departments to be made up.

37. Previous to the First Election and Appointment of Commissioners under this Act the old Commissioners shall make a Calculation of the Sums respectively received and expended for the Year ending on the previous Thirty-first Day of *December* on account of the Establishment of Pilots and Pilot Boats authorized by the Act of 1843 in the Harbour of *Wexford*, and also of the Sums received and expended during the same Period in respect of Ballast taken in by or discharged from any Vessel in such Harbour; and the Balance, if any, remaining at Foot of such Accounts respectively shall be paid over to the Commissioners elected and appointed under this Act, who shall from and after such Election and Appointment keep separate Accounts in their Books for each such Department, and the Expense of each such Department shall thereafter be defrayed out of the Rates authorized to be taken by the Act of 1843 in respect of Pilots and Pilot Boats and for Ballast respectively.

Waterworks, &c. constructed under 34 G. 3. c. 26. (I.) to be transferred to Corporation of Wexford.

38. And whereas by virtue of the Powers of an Act passed in the Parliament of *Ireland* in the Thirty-fourth Year of King *George* the Third, Chapter Twenty-six, certain Works were constructed for supplying the Town and Harbour of *Wexford* with Water, and the whole Expense of such Works was defrayed by means of the Harbour Rates and Duties granted by the said Act, or by means of Monies borrowed on the Credit of such Rates and Duties: And whereas it was provided by Section One hundred and twelve of the Act of 1843 that the surplus annual Revenue thereafter to arise from the Rates or Rents received from the Supply of Water, after deducting the Expenses necessarily incurred in maintaining the said Works, or otherwise in relation thereto, should belong to the old Commissioners, and should form Part of the Funds under their Management for the Purposes of that Act: And whereas it is expedient that all the Property in and Control over the said Works should be vested in the Corporation of *Wexford:* Therefore, from and after the First Election and Appointment of Commissioners under this Act, the said Section of the Act of 1843 shall be and the same is hereby repealed, and all the Property in and Control over the said Works, and all Rates and Rents recoverable therefrom or in relation thereto, and all the Powers and Provisions relating to the said Water Supply in the said Act of the Thirty-fourth Year of *George* the Third, Chapter Twenty-six, contained, shall be vested in the Corporation of *Wexford.*

Previously to commencing Works, Plans, &c. to be deposited at Admiralty.

39. Previously to commencing any Work below High-water Mark the Commissioners shall deposit at the Admiralty Office Plans, Sections, and Working Drawings of the said Work for the Approval of the Lord High Admiral of the United Kingdom of *Great Britain* and *Ireland*, or the Commissioners for executing the Office of Lord High Admiral aforesaid, such Approval to be signified in Writing under the Hand of the Secretary of the Admiralty, and such Work shall be constructed only in accordance with such Approval; and when any such Work shall have been commenced or constructed it shall not be lawful for the Commissioners at any Time to alter or extend the same without obtaining previously to making any such Alteration or Extension the like Consent or Approval; and if any such Work shall be commenced or completed, or be altered, extended, or constructed, contrary to the Provisions of this Act, it shall be lawful for the said Lord High Admiral or the said Commissioners for executing the Office of Lord High Admiral to abate, alter, and remove the same, and to restore the Site thereof to its former Condition, at the Cost and Charge of the Commissioners, and the Amount thereof shall be a Debt due from the Commissioners to the Crown, and be recoverable accordingly, with Costs of Suit, or may be recovered, with Costs, as a Penalty is or may be recoverable from the Commissioners.

40. If

Power to Admiralty to order a local Survey at Expense of Commissioners.

40. If at any Time or Times it shall be deemed expedient by the Lord High Admiral of the United Kingdom or the Commissioners for executing the Office of Lord High Admiral to order a local Survey and Examination of any Works of the Commissioners in, over, or affecting any tidal or navigable Water or River, or of the intended Site thereof, the Commissioners shall defray the Costs of every such local Survey and Examination, and the Amount thereof shall be a Debt due to Her Majesty from the Commissioners, and if not paid upon Demand may be recovered as a Debt due to the Crown, with the Costs of Suit, or may be recovered, with Costs, as a Penalty is or may be recoverable from the Commissioners.

Works affecting tidal Waters abandoned may be removed by Admiralty at Expense of Commissioners.

41. If any Work to be constructed by the Commissioners in, under, over, through, or across any tidal Water or navigable River, or if any Portion of any Work which affects or may affect any such Water or River or Access thereto, shall be abandoned or suffered to fall into Disuse or Decay, it shall be lawful for the Lord High Admiral or the Commissioners for executing the Office of Lord High Admiral to abate and remove the same, or such Part or Parts thereof as he or they may at any Time or Times deem fit and proper, and to restore the Site thereof to its former Condition at the Cost and Charge of the Commissioners; and the Amount thereof shall be a Debt due from the Commissioners to the Crown, and if not paid upon Demand may be recovered as a Debt due to the Crown, with the Costs of Suit, or may be recovered, with Costs, as a Penalty is or may be recoverable from the Commissioners.

Saving Rights of the Crown.

42. Nothing in this Act shall divest, take away, lessen, alter, or prejudice any Estate, Right, Easement, Claim to Compensation, Privilege, Power, or Authority which now is or hereafter may be, or but for this Act might be, vested in or enjoyed by Her Majesty in right of Her Crown, Her Heirs or Successors.

Saving Rights of Admiralty.

43. Provided always, That, except as is by this Act expressly provided, nothing in this Act shall take away, lessen, prejudice, or alter any of the Jurisdictions, Franchises, Rights, Powers, or Privileges of the Admiralty.

Commissioners not exempt from Merchant Shipping Acts and General Acts.

44. Nothing in this Act shall exempt the Commissioners or the Harbour from the Provisions of "The Merchant Shipping Act, 1854," or "The Merchant Shipping Act Amendment Act, 1855," or any General Act relating to Docks, Harbours, or Dues on Shipping, or on Goods carried in Shipping, now in force or hereafter to be passed during the present or future Sessions of Parliament.

45. The

Expenses of Act.

45. The Costs, Charges, and Expenses attending or incident to the passing of this Act shall be paid by the Commissioners out of the Monies transferred to them by the old Commissioners.

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