

*Lien* not to be  
for less than  
£10.  
When *lien*  
shall cease.

The said *lien* and privilege shall not exist for a less sum than *ten pounds currency*.

The said *lien* or privilege shall cease to exist in the following cases; when a year shall have elapsed from the day on which the vessel shall have been launched or left the dock or place where she has been repaired; without the creditor having made a formal demand of his debt; and when parties shall have neglected to put their claims as required in the following section of this Act.

Mode of ascer-  
taining what  
*liens* exist on a  
vessel and  
proceedings  
thereupon.

II. And in order that parties interested may have the means of ascertaining what *liens* and privileges may exist on any ship or vessel; Be it enacted, That any person or persons interested, may petition the Principal Officer of the Customs, of the port where the vessel shall have been built or repaired, to cause an advertisement to be inserted in English and in French, in one paper published in each language at the said port or nearest thereto, during at least two weeks, and at least twice in each week, calling upon persons pretending to any *lien* or privilege on the ship or vessel named and described in the said advertisement, to fyle the same at his office within twenty days from the first publication of the said notice.

Upon such application in writing the said principal Officer shall cause to be published a notice accordingly, signed by him, provided the claimant do deposit in his hands the cost of the publication of the said notice or a discharge from the publishers relieving him from the payment thereof:

Upon the publication of such notice all persons pretending to any *lien* or privilege on the vessel therein described, shall be bound to fyle the same within the time stated in the said notice, with the vouchers of their claim, provided the same do consist of authentic documents; if not, then by the affidavit before any Magistrate of the claimant:

All persons neglecting to fyle their claims accordingly, shall no longer be entitled to the said *lien* or privilege: