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VICTORIÆ REGINÆ.

CAP. XCI.

An Act to facilitate the Erection and Maintenance of Colonial Lighthouses, and otherwise to amend the Merchant Shipping Act, 1854.

[14th August, 1855.]

WHEREAS it is expedient to make Provision for facilitating the Erection and Maintenance of Lighthouses in the *British* Possessions abroad, and otherwise to amend the Merchant Shipping Act, 1854 : 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 :

1. This Act may be cited as "The Merchant Shipping Act Amendment Act, 1855," and shall be taken to be part of the Merchant Shipping Act, 1854, and shall be construed accordingly.

Short Title of Act.
17 & 18 Vict.
c. 104.

2. In any Case in which any Lighthouse, Buoy, or Beacon has been or is hereafter erected or placed on or near the Coasts of any *British* Possession, by or with the Consent of the Legislative Authority of such Possession, Her Majesty may, by Order in Council, fix such Dues in respect thereof, to be paid by the Owner or Master of every Ship which passes the same or derives Benefit therefrom, as Her Majesty may deem reasonable, and may in like Manner from Time to Time increase, diminish, or repeal such Dues, and from the Time specified in such Order for the Commencement of the Dues thereby fixed, increased, or diminished the same shall be leviable throughout Her Majesty's Dominions in manner herein-after mentioned.

Colonial Lighthouses.

Her Majesty may by Order in Council fix Dues for Colonial Lighthouses.