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*British Shipping—Lights.*

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AT THE COURT AT OSBORNE HOUSE, ISLE OF WIGHT, THE 8<sup>TH</sup>  
DAY OF FEBRUARY, 1896.

*Present :*

THE QUEEN'S MOST EXCELLENT MAJESTY IN COUNCIL.

**W**HEREAS by an Order in Council made in pursuance of the Merchant Shipping Act Amendment Act, 1862, and dated the 11th day of August, 1884, Her Majesty, on the joint recommendation of the Admiralty and the Board of Trade, was pleased to direct that on and after the 1st day of September, 1884, the regulations contained in the schedule thereto should, so far as regards British ships and boats, be substituted for the regulations contained in the first schedule to an Order in Council made as aforesaid, and dated the 14th day of August, 1879.

And whereas by two Orders in Council made in pursuance of the said Act, and on such joint recommendation as aforesaid, and dated respectively the 30th day of December, 1884, and the 24th day of June, 1885, certain modifications and additions were made to the said regulations contained in the schedule to the said recited Order in Council of the 11th day of August, 1884, as regards British fishing vessels and boats.

And whereas by another Order in Council made in pursuance of the said Act, and on such joint recommendation as aforesaid, and dated the 18th day of August, 1892, certain modifications and additions were made to the said regulations contained in the schedule to the said recited Order in Council of the 11th August, 1884, as regards steam pilot vessels.

And whereas by the said regulations contained in the schedule to the said Order in Council of the 11th day of August, 1884, it is amongst other things provided as follows :—

Art. 3. A sea-going steamship when under way shall carry—

- (a.) On or in front of the foremast, at a height above the hull of not less than 20 feet, and if the breadth of the ship exceeds 20 feet then at a height above the hull not less than such breadth, a bright white light so constructed as to show an uniform and unbroken light over an arc of the horizon of 20 points of the compass, so fixed as to throw the light 10 points on each side of the ship, viz., from right ahead to two points abaft the beam on either side, and of such a character as to be visible on a dark night with a clear atmosphere, at a distance of at least five miles.
- (b.) On the starboard side a green light, so constructed as to show an uniform and unbroken light over an arc of the horizon of 10 points of the compass, so fixed as to throw the light from right ahead to two points abaft the beam on the starboard side, and of such a character as to be visible on a dark night with a clear atmosphere, at a distance of at least two miles.