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diction, and shall also make general Reports of the Results of its Inspection of local Lighthouses, Buoys, and Beacons to the Board of Trade; and such Reports shall be laid before Parliament:

(5.) The Powers given by the 394th Section of the Principal Act to the General Lighthouse Authorities shall, so far as the same are applicable, extend and apply to the Case of local Buoys and Beacons, other than local Buoys and Beacons placed or erected for temporary Purposes, as well as to the Case of local Lighthouses.

Liability for and Recovery of Light Dues. 44. The following Persons shall be liable to pay Light Dues for any Ship in respect of which Light Dues are payable; (that is to say,) the Owner or Master, or such Consignees or Agents thereof as have paid or made themselves liable to pay any other Charge on account of such Ship in the Port of her Arrival or Discharge, and in default of Payment such Light Dues may be recovered in the same Manner as Penalties of the like Amount may be recovered by virtue of the Principal Act.

Powers of Consignees to retain Light Dues paid by them. 45. Every Consignee and Agent (not being the Owner or Master) hereby made liable for the Payment of Light Dues in respect of any Ship may, out of any Moneys in his Hands received on account of such Ship, or belonging to the Owner thereof, retain the Amount of all Dues so paid by him, together with any reasonable Expenses he may have incurred by reason of such Payment or Liability.

Dues may be levied for local Lights. 46. If any Lighthouse, Buoy, or Beacon is erected or placed, or reconstructed, repaired, or replaced by any Local Authority having Jurisdiction in the Matter of Lighthouses, Buoys, or Beacons, Her Majesty may, on the Application of the said Local Authority, by Order in Council fix such Dues to be paid to the said Local Authority in respect of every Ship which enters the Port or Harbour under the Jurisdiction of such Local Authority or the Estuary wherein such Lighthouse, Buoy, or Beacon is situate, and which passes the said Lighthouse, Buoy, or Beacon, and derives Benefit therefrom, as Her Majesty may deem reasonable:

The Dues for the Time being fixed by any such Order in Council as aforesaid shall be paid accordingly by the Master of the said Ship or other Person or Persons by whom the said Light Dues, if levied by One of the General Lighthouse Authorities, would be payable, and shall be recoverable in the same Manner as Light Dues payable to such General Authorities are recoverable.

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47. All Light Dues leviable by any Local Authority under this Act shall be applied for the Purposes of the Construction,