

No. XIV.

An Act to provide for the payment of Dues LIGHT-HOUSE DUES. towards the maintenance of Light-houses at Gabo Island and Cape Otway respectively. [31st August, 1847.]

WHEREAS Light-houses are in course of erection on Gabo Island Preamble. and at Cape Otway respectively in the Colony of New South Wales and it is expedient to provide for the payment of dues towards the maintenance of the said Light-houses when completed and in operation. Be it therefore enacted by His Excellency the Governor of New South Wales with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council thereof That when and so soon as either of the said Light-houses shall have come into actual operation notice thereof shall be given in the *New South Wales Government Gazette* and from and after the expiration of one calendar month from the date of the publication of such notice the master or commander of every ship or vessel (except as hereinafter is excepted) arriving at or departing from any port in New South Wales shall pay into the hands of the Collector or other Chief Officer of Customs appointed for such port the sum of one penny for every ton of the registered measurement of such ship or vessel for each of the said Light-houses so notified as aforesaid as having come into operation which such ship or vessel shall have passed or may pass or which shall be in the direct or usual course of such ship or vessel in her passage to or from such port whether such ship or vessel shall sight such Light-house or not and whether such ship or vessel shall pass through Bass's Straits or go to the southward of Van Diemen's Land. Provided always that all ships and vessels employed in the Colonial or Coasting trade or trade with any of the Australian Colonies except as hereinafter is excepted shall be charged with one-third only of the rate aforesaid.

2. Provided always and be it enacted That all ships and vessels employed in the coasting trade between this Colony and Van Diemen's Land and all ships and vessels engaged in the fisheries shall be wholly exempt from the rates or dues hereby imposed.

3. And be it declared and enacted That nothing in this Act contained shall be deemed to alter or repeal the light-house dues payable under a certain Act of the Governor and Legislative Council of New South Wales passed in the third year of the reign of His late Majesty King William the Fourth intituled "An Act for the better 3 Wil. IV. No. 6 and preservation

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“ *preservation of the Ports Harbours Havens Roadsteads Channels
“ Navigable Creeks and Rivers in New South Wales and the better
“ regulation of Shipping in the same* ” or under a certain other Act of
the said Governor and Council passed in the seventh year of Her
present Majesty’s reign intituled “ *An Act to provide for the main-
“ tenance of Light-houses at Port Macquarie Newcastle and Port
“ Phillip in the Colony of New South Wales.* ” ”
