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An Act to amend the Acts relating to the *Caledonian* and *Crinan* Canals, and to make further Provision for the Accommodation of the Traffic thereon. [10th *August* 1857.]

WHEREAS an Act was passed in the Eleventh and Twelfth Years of the Reign of Her present Majesty, intituled *An Act for incorporating the Commissioners of the* Caledonian *Canal, and for vesting the* Crinan *Canal in the said Commissioners*: And whereas the Number of Passengers and Cattle conveyed on the said Canals has very greatly increased, and it is necessary and expedient that additional Facilities and Accommodation should be afforded for landing and shipping Passengers and Cattle, by the Erection and Improvement of Piers and Jetties, and that further Provision should be made for the Regulation of the said Canals and of the Traffic thereon: 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: 11 & 12 Vict. c. 54.

I. The following Expressions in this Act shall have the Meanings hereby assigned to them; that is to say, the Expression "the Canals" Interpretation of Terms.

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shall mean and include the whole Navigations of the *Caledonian* Canal and the *Crinan* Canal; and the Expression "the Commissioners" shall mean the Commissioners of the *Caledonian* Canal incorporated by the recited Act.

As to defraying the Expense of Piers and Jetties.

II. It shall be lawful for the Commissioners, out of the Rates by this Act authorized to be levied, or of any Moneys to be borrowed by them on the Security thereof, or of any other Funds at their Disposal, to defray the Expense of erecting, improving, and maintaining such Piers, Jetties, or Landing Places as they may think it expedient to erect or improve on Lands belonging to the Commissioners, or on or in connection with the Canals or either of them.

Power to Commissioners to levy Rates at Piers and Jetties.

III. From and after the passing of this Act, it shall be lawful for the Commissioners to levy and receive, at every Pier, Jetty, or Landing Place erected or to be erected or improved on Lands belonging to the Commissioners, or on or in connection with the Canals respectively, such Rates on Passengers, Animals, Goods, and Carriages landed or shipped at such Pier, Jetty, or Landing Place as the Commissioners may from Time to Time deem expedient, not exceeding the Rates specified in the Schedule hereunto annexed.

Power to Commissioners to enter into Agreements for Erection of Piers and Jetties.

IV. It shall be lawful for the Commissioners from Time to Time to enter into Contracts and Agreements, on such Terms and Conditions as they shall think fit, with the Owners of any Lands through which the Canals pass, with respect to any Piers, Jetties, or Landing Places erected or to be erected by such Owners at their own Expense on or in connection with the Canals, and with respect to the Management and Maintenance of such Piers, Jetties, or Landing Places, and the levying and receiving of Rates thereat, not exceeding the Rates specified in the Schedule hereunto annexed.

Power to borrow Money on Security of Tolls, &c.

V. It shall be lawful for the Commissioners, with the Consent in Writing of the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury for the Time being, to borrow such Sums of Money as the Commissioners shall think necessary, not exceeding Twenty thousand Pounds, on the Security of the Canals respectively, and the Tolls and Rates leviable under this Act and the several other Acts relating thereto, and to grant and execute Mortgages or Assignations of the Canals respectively, and of the said Tolls and Rates, in Security of the Payment of the Money so borrowed and the Interest thereon.

Power to Exchequer Loan Commissioners

VI. It shall be lawful for the Commissioners for the Issue of Loans or Public Works, acting in the Execution of the Act Fifth and Sixth of

of *Victoria*, Chapter Nine, and of any other Acts relating to the Public Works Loan Fund, with the Consent in Writing of the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury for the Time being, to advance and lend to the Commissioners from Time to Time any Sums of Money not exceeding Twenty thousand Pounds, on the Security of the Canals respectively, and the Tolls and Rates leviable under this Act and the several other Acts relating thereto, and to accept and take from the Commissioners Mortgages or Assignations of the said Canals respectively, and of the said Tolls and Rates, in Security of the Payment of the Money so advanced and lent, and the Interest thereon: Provided, that the Moneys to be borrowed by the Commissioners under the Provisions of this Act from the said Commissioners for the Issue of Loans for Public Works, and from any other Person, Company, or Corporation, shall not in the whole exceed the Sum of Twenty thousand Pounds.

to lend Money to the Commissioners.

VII. All Moneys borrowed by the Commissioners under the Provisions of this Act shall be applied by them in erecting or improving Piers, Jetties, or Landing Places on Land belonging to them or on or in connection with the Canals respectively, and in otherwise providing additional Accommodation for the Traffic thereon.

Application of Money borrowed.

VIII. All Rates levied and all Moneys borrowed under the Authority of this Act shall be applied and expended on or in connection with the Canal on which such Rates shall be levied and for which such Money shall be borrowed; and the Mortgages or Assignations to be granted by the Commissioners shall only extend to the Canal for which such Moneys shall be borrowed.

Application of Rates and Moneys borrowed.

IX. It shall be lawful for the Commissioners to provide Steam Tugs, Horses, and Machinery for towing Vessels in the Firths or Entrances and Channels leading to the Canals, and for towing or tracking Vessels on the Canals and inland Lakes, and to fix and levy Rates for and in respect of the Use of such Steam Tugs, Horses, and Machinery, or, if they shall think fit, the Commissioners may license and authorize the Owners and Masters of Steam Tugs, and the Owners and Drivers of Horses, to tow Vessels in the said Firths and Channels, and to tow or track Vessels in the Canals and Lakes, at such Rates as may from Time to Time be fixed by the Commissioners, who shall make such Byelaws and Rules as they may deem expedient for the keeping and Use of such Steam Tugs, Horses, and Machinery, and the Regulation of the Owners, Masters, and Drivers or other Persons in charge of the same; and such Byelaws and Rules shall be published and enforced in the Manner provided by the Acts relating to the Canals.

Power to Commissioners to provide or license Steam Tugs and Horses for towing.

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For preserving and improving Channels leading to Caledonian Canal.

X. It shall be lawful for the Commissioners to adopt all such Measures as may be necessary for preserving free from Obstruction the Channels leading to the *Caledonian* Canal within Three Miles from the several Entrances thereof, and from Time to Time to improve and deepen the said Channels by dredging or otherwise as they shall deem expedient.

Ballast not to be thrown into Channels leading to Caledonian Canal.

XI. Every Person who shall throw or put any Ballast, Earth, Ashes, Stones, or Rubbish into any of the Channels leading to the *Caledonian* Canal within Three Miles of the several Entrances thereof shall for every such Offence be liable to a Penalty not exceeding Five Pounds.

Power to place Beacons and Buoys on the Caledonian Canal and Channels leading thereto.

XII. It shall be lawful for the Commissioners to erect Beacons and Seamarks and lay down Buoys for the Guidance of Vessels in or near to the Channels leading to the *Caledonian* Canal, within Three Miles of the Entrances thereof, and in or near to the inland Lakes forming Part of the Navigation of the said Canal: Provided, that no such Beacon or Seamark shall be erected in or near to the said Channels without the Sanction in Writing of the Commissioners of Northern Lights first had and obtained; and if any such Beacon or Seamark be erected with such Sanction as aforesaid, the same shall not be afterwards altered without the like Sanction; and every such Beacon or Seamark shall be from Time to Time discontinued or altered, as the said Commissioners of Northern Lights shall direct.

Penalty for injuring or removing Beacons or Buoys.

XIII. Every Person who shall injure, displace, or remove any such Beacon, Seamark, or Buoy shall for every such Offence be liable to a Penalty not exceeding Five Pounds.

For Recovery of Rates and Penalties.

XIV. The Rates and Penalties by this Act authorized to be levied and imposed shall be levied and recovered in the same Manner as Rates and Penalties leviable under the Acts relating to the Canals respectively; and all the Enactments and Provisions contained in the said Acts with respect to the levying and Recovery of the Tolls, Rates, and Dues thereby authorized to be levied, and the Penalties thereby imposed, shall be applicable to the Rates and Penalties by this Act authorized to be levied and imposed, in the same Manner and as fully and effectually as if such Enactments and Provisions had been herein repeated and re-enacted.

Saving Rights of Inverness Harbour Trustees.

XV. Nothing in this Act contained shall alter, prejudice, or affect Sections Fifty-four and Fifty-five of an Act passed in the Tenth and Eleventh Years of the Reign of Her present Majesty, intituled *An Act*

Act for deepening, enlarging, improving, and maintaining the Port and Harbour of Inverness, *and the Navigation of the River* Ness, *and the Quays and Piers and other Works connected therewith, for regulating the Anchorage and Shore Dues of the said Port and Harbour, and for other Purposes relating thereto,* or any of the Powers, Rights, and Authorities conferred by the said Act on the Trustees acting under the same.

SCHEDULE referred to in this Act.

RATES to be levied at Piers, Jetties, or Landing Places.

	£	s.	d.
Each Passenger	0	0	2
Sheep, Lambs, Goats, or Swine, per Score, 6*d.*, or if under 10, each	0	0	0½
Each Bull, Cow, Bullock, or Heifer	0	0	6
Ditto, under Two Years old	0	0	3
Each Calf	0	0	1
Each Horse	0	1	0
Each Horse under 13 Hands, and each Mule or Ass	0	0	6
Each Cart, empty	0	0	6
Each Cart, loaded	0	1	0
Each Gig or Two-wheeled Carriage	0	0	6
Each Four-wheeled Coach or Carriage	0	1	0
Each Parcel or Package carried by a Porter	0	0	1
Each Wheelbarrow with Luggage	0	0	2
Each Two-wheeled Barrow or Truck with Luggage	0	0	4
Bark, per Ton	0	1	0
Birch or Alder Staves, per 1,000	0	0	2
Coals, per Ton	0	0	2
Grain, Meal, or Flour, per Bag or Barrel	0	0	1
Guano, Bones, and other Manures, per Ton	0	0	6
Lime, per Boll	0	0	0¼
Potatoes, per Cwt.	0	0	1
Salt, per Ton	0	0	2
Slates, Bricks, and Tiles, per 100, One Halfpenny, or per 1,000	0	0	3
Spars, Rails, Pit Props, &c., per 500 running Feet	0	0	2
Stones and Iron, per Ton	0	0	1
Sugar, Herrings, Tar, or Butter, per Barrel	0	0	2
Timber, Planks, or Deals, per Load of 50 Feet	0	0	1
Wool, per Bag	0	0	2
Goods not otherwise enumerated, per Bag, Barrel, or Box	0	0	2

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