



CHAPTER lx.

An Act for increasing the dues rates tolls and charges A.D. 1919.
leviable by the Tyne Improvement Commissioners
and extending the time for completion of works.

[15th August 1919.]

WHEREAS by the Tyne Improvement Acts 1850 to 1908
the Tyne Improvement Commissioners (in this Act called
“the Commissioners”) were constituted and incorporated and
were empowered to execute extensive works for the improve-
ment of the River Tyne and to construct and maintain docks
piers and other works and for those purposes to levy dues
rates tolls and charges and to borrow money :

And whereas the Commissioners in exercise of the powers
conferred upon them have constructed and maintain or carry
on large and extensive works improvements and undertakings
within the limits of the port of Newcastle-upon-Tyne over
which their jurisdiction extends and the capital expenditure
incurred by the Commissioners in so doing has been met partly
out of moneys raised by rates dues and charges on vessels using
the port and by dues rates tolls and charges on goods coal
coke culm and cinders and by tolls levied in respect of the
Commissioners’ ferries and by charges for services afforded by
the Commissioners and partly out of loans raised on the security
of such dues rates tolls and charges which constitute the fund
out of which such loans must ultimately be repaid :

And whereas owing to the large increase in the expenses
of the Commissioners in carrying out their statutory obligations
the dues rates tolls and charges which the Commissioners are
by the Tyne Improvement Acts 1850 to 1908 authorised to
collect and levy are insufficient to meet such expenses and to
enable them to maintain their undertaking and fulfil their

A.D. 1919. statutory obligations and it is expedient that the amount of such dues rates tolls and charges (except tolls and charges in respect of the Commissioners' ferries) be increased as in this Act provided :

And whereas it is expedient to extend the time limited for the completion of works authorised by the Tyne Improvement Acts 1850 to 1908 :

And whereas the purposes of this Act cannot be effected without the authority of Parliament :

May it therefore please Your Majesty that it may be enacted and be it enacted by the King'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 :—

Short and
collective
titles.

1.—(1) This Act may be cited as the Tyne Improvement Act 1919.

(2) The Tyne Improvement Acts 1850 to 1908 and this Act may be cited together as the Tyne Improvement Acts 1850 to 1919.

Increase
of rates.

2. As from the passing of this Act (A) all river dock pier moorings bridge harbour lights buoys and beacons dues rates and charges on vessels and (B) all river and dock dues rates tolls and charges on goods coal coke and passengers and (C) any other dues rates tolls and charges (except tolls and charges in respect of the Commissioners' ferries) which the Commissioners are under the Tyne Improvement Acts 1850 to 1908 or any other Act relating to the Commissioners authorised to demand collect and levy and for which any maximum amount is prescribed by such Acts are hereby increased by an amount equal to fifty per centum of the maximum amount so prescribed and the said Acts shall be read and have effect as if such increased dues rates tolls and charges had been authorised thereby in lieu of the maximum dues rates tolls and charges prescribed by such Acts.

Provision
in case of
future pur-
chase.

3. If the undertaking of the Commissioners is acquired otherwise than by agreement by any public body or trustees the Commissioners shall not be entitled to make any claim in respect of the powers conferred upon them by the section of this Act of which the marginal note is "Increase of rates" :

Provided that nothing in this section shall prejudice the rights of any person entitled to any mortgage of or charge secured upon the undertaking or revenue of the Commissioners or any part thereof. A.D. 1919.

4. The time limited by any of the Tyne Improvement Acts 1850 to 1908 (as extended by orders made by the Board of Trade under the Special Acts (Extension of Time) Act 1915 and dated respectively the twenty-eighth day of October one thousand nine hundred and sixteen the eleventh day of August one thousand nine hundred and seventeen and the twenty-sixth day of July one thousand nine hundred and eighteen) for the completion of any of the works authorised by the Tyne Improvement Acts 1850 to 1908 is hereby extended until the expiration of ten years from the passing of this Act and the Tyne Improvement Acts 1850 to 1908 shall be read and have effect accordingly. Extension of time for completion of works.

5. All the costs charges and expenses of and preliminary and incidental to the preparing obtaining and passing of this Act shall be provided and paid by the Commissioners out of the Tyne Consolidated Fund. Costs of Act.

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