AN ACT

To amend the Scale of Fees charged for the Entrance and Clearance of Vessels, Licenses to Scows, Boats and other Craft, and Dues for Landing Permits, as well as other matters relating to the same, in the Port of Victoria, including Esquimalt.

WHEREAS, it is expedient to repeal the Victoria and Esquimalt Harbor Dues Act, 1860, and to amend the Scale of Fees charged for the Entrance and Clearance of Vessels into the Port of Victoria and Esquimalt, for the Licenses to Scows, Boats aud other craft plying in the said Port, and for Landing Permits.

Be it enacted by the Governor on Her Majesty's behalf, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and Assembly, as follows :

The Victoria and Esquimalt Harbor Dues Act is hereby repealed.

That from and after the passage of this Act, there shall be raised, levied, collected and paid to the Harbor-Master of Victoria, to and for the use of Her Majesty, her Heirs and Successors, in lieu of the charges heretofore made in respect of the charges aforesaid, the Scale of Fees upon Vessels entering or departing from the Harbor of Victoria or Esquimalt, in Schedule A to this Act annexed.

The Governor may exempt from the payment of Harbor Dues steamers carrying the mails without remuneration.

All vessels, whilst employed exclusively in the coasting or carrying trade between places within this Colony and either of the aforesaid Harbors, shall be exempt from the charges for entrance and clearance aforesaid ; but the Masters of such vessels shall report themselves to the Harbor-Master of Victoria Harbor whenever such vessels shall enter or depart from either of the said Harbors ; and such vessels as last aforesaid shall be liable to the Licenses mentioned in Schedule B hereunto annexed.

There shall be charged upon scows and other craft (not being pleasure boats) employed in freighting, lading or unlading ships, or carrying goods or passengers in or between the Harbors of Victoria and Esquimalt, or *vice versa*, the Licenses mentioned in Schedule C to this Act annexed.

Any vessel or craft carrying goods or passengers as aforesaid, or being employed in the coasting trade as aforesaid, without having paid the necessary License, shall be liable to confiscation.

No goods, other than the produce of the Colony and passengers' luggage, shall be landed from any vessel in Victoria or Esquimalt, until the same and the value thereof shall have been first reported to the Harbor-Master of Victoria, and the permit to land the same shall have been received from the said Harbor-Master or his Deputy or Deputies ; and there shall be charged and paid for such Landing Permit the sum mentioned in Schedule D to this Act annexed.

Any person landing any goods save as aforesaid shall be liable to a fine of not more than fifty pounds, (£50) to be recovered by a summary process before any Justice of the Peace ; and in default of payment to imprisonment, with or without hard labor, for a period not exceeding one month, and the goods so landed may be confiscated to the use of Her Majesty, her Heirs and Successors.

This Act may be cited as the Victoria and Esquimalt Harbor Dues Act, 1862.

SCHEDULE A.

Fees for entrance and clearance for vessels entering and clearing the Port of Victoria and Esquimalt:

All vessels under 15 tons	£0	4	2
" between 15 and 30	0	6	3
" " 30 " 50	0	8	4
" " 50 " 100	0	12	6
" " 100 " 200	1	0	10
" " 200 " 300	1	5	0
" " 300 " 400	1	13	4
" " 400 " 500	2	1	8
" " 500 " 600	3	2	6

And an extra £1 on every 100 tons above 600 tons.

SCHEDULE B.

Half-yearly License for Coasters.

Under 10 tons	£1	0	0
Above 10 tons and under 30 tons	2	0	0
" 30 " " 50 "	3	0	0
" 50 "	4	0	0

SCHEDULE C.

Wherries and Skiffs plying for hire and licensed to carry not exceeding six passengers, per quarter, One pound.

Row Boats and Yawls plying for hire and licensed to carry more than six passengers, and under ten tons burden, per quarter, One pound Ten shillings.

Lighters and Scows employed in freighting or discharging vessels, or otherwise, for hire, under ten tons burden, per quarter, Ten pounds.

Lighters and Scows exceeding ten tons burden, Two pounds per quarter, with One shilling additional for every ton exceeding ten tons and up to one hundred tons burden.

SCHEDULE D.

For invoices under £100 in value	£0	4	2
" " above £100 and under £250 in value	0	6	3
" " above £250 and under £500 in value	0	8	4
" " above £500 and under £1000 in value	0	12	6
" " above £1000 for every additional £100	0	1	2