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OF THE

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WHARFINGERS.

HE Merchants, Masters of Ships, and other Traders, daily complaining to one another of the insusterable Treatment they daily meet with from the Wharfingers since their Confederacy; by their long Delays in delivering their Ships, to the great Discouragement of our Navigation, by their Exactions in their Wharf-

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Wharfage, and by their Skreening themselves from any Prosecutions at Law by a concealed Copartnership, when by the Carelesness or Fraud of their Servants any Traders had a Just Occasion to bring an Action at Law against them; These Complaints continually increasing, a great Number of the Persons agrieved met together, and drew up a Petition the latter end of the last Session of Parliament which they presented to the Honourable the House of Commons, and was in the Words following.

## To the Honourable the Commons of England in Parliament Assembled.

The Humble Petition of the Merchants and Traders in London.

Sheweth,

HAT by the Acts and Rules made in the Reign of King Charles the Second, as appears in the Book of Rates; all Goods Imported from Ports beyond Sea to the Port of London, must be Landed at those Keys and Wharfs only, that lie betwixt Tower-Dock and London-Bridge; and that all Goods Landed in any other Place without particular License from the Commissioners of the Customs are forseited; which Wharfes and Keys were for-

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formerly managed by Separate Wharfingers.
To this Law the Merchants have ever since

given all due Obedience.

But now (may it please this Honourable House) Mr. Ashton, Mr. Warburton, Edward Owen, Richard Lechmore and others of the Proprietors or Renters of the Said Keys or Wharfes, are entred into a Combination or Copartnership to make them all on joynt Concern, which if continued, the Burthens and Losses Trade will be Subject to by this Copartnership will be Intolerable. Because,

Ist, The Ships are now twice as long in delivering as they were before this Copartnership, by their not employing that Number of Lighters and Lightermen that are necessary, but making the Merchants wait that one Lighter may do the Business of three, which is a great Charge to Shipping, as well as a hindrance to our Navigation and Irade.

Idly, The said Copartners have also advanced the Rates of their Wharfage and Rents of their Warehouses upon the said Wharfes, and they may farther advance them to what Rates they please.

IIIdly, And that which renders it more Intolerable, is when by the Carelesness of their Servants, or for want of due Attendance, the Lighters are Sunk and the Goods pe-B 2 rished,

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rished, or that the Goods are stolen out of their Lighters or Warehouses. Your Petitioners know not whom to Sue, or of whom to have Reparation, having no certain Knowledge of the Persons concerned, their Agreements or Copartnership not appearing by any Deed Enrolled in Chancery, or any of her Majesties Courts of Record, but by them kept private and refused to be discovered; nor are they any Body Politick or Corporate, having neither Patent, Charter, nor Common Seal upon which they can be Sued, that your Petitioners in all the Wrongs and Losses they Suffer by the said Copartnership are left without Remedy, unless by the great Charge and Delay of a Sute in Equity, in Order to every Action that your Petitioners may have Occasion to Commence at Law to recover their Damages.

Wherefore your Petitioners humbly pray this Honourable House, that you would (the Premises considered) take it into your Consideration, and apply such Remedy, and give such Relief to prevent the present and growing Oppressions by the said Copartnership, as to your Honours great Wisdom shall seem meet.

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And your Petitioners as in Duty bound shall ever pray, &c.

This Petition was refer'd to a Committee, who met several times upon it, but being late in the Sessions, no Report was made before the House was Prorogued.

During the time this Petition was under Consideration of the Committee of the House of Commons, the Petitioners were informed of a Clause in the Additional Act for the Rebuilding London, made to redress the great Exactions of the Wharfingers, as appears in that Act; Anno vicessimo Secundo Caroli Secundi Regis, Ch. 11. S. 21. the Words in that Act are as follows,

And have been, and are exercised by Wharsingers, and others employed about the Wharsage and Cranage of Goods Landed, or Shipped off, at or from the City of London; for remedy thereof, Be it enacted, That such Rates and no other shall from time to time be taken for Wharsage and Cranage, as well for Timber and other Materials for Building, as of Coals and other Goods, and Merchandizes, as by his said Majesty, with the Advice of his Privy Council shall for that purpose B 3

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be assessed and allowed to be taken; a Ta-' ble of which Rates shall be hanged up at every of the said Wharfes respectively; 'and if any Wharfinger or other, shall Ex-'act or Demand, or directly or indirectly ' take or receive for Wharfage or Cranage, or by colour thereof, more than according to the Rates which shall be so assessed, or shall refuse to suffer any Goods or Mer-'chandize to be Landed or Shipped, at, off, or from any Wharf or Wharfes within ' the said City or the Liberties thereof at the Rates aforesaid; such Offender shall forfeit for every such Offence the Summ of 'Ten Pounds to the Party or Parties thereby grieved, to be recovered with full Costs of Sute, by Action of Debt, Bill, 'Plaint, or Information, in any of his Ma-' jesties Courts at Westminster, or within the ' said City of London, as the Cause shall arise, wherein no Essoin, Protection or Wager of Law shall be allow'd, nor any more than one Imparlance.

When the Petitioners had seen this Clause, they immediately went to the Council Office at Whitehall, to be informed what was done in pursuance thereof, and by the Council Books it appeared that the Whar-fingers had petitioned the King in Council, and that a Reference thereupon was made to the

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the Lord Mayor and Court of Aldermen of London; which Petition and Reference are as follows,

To the Kings most Excellent Majesty, and the Right Honourable the Lords of his Majesties most Honourable Privy Council.

The humble Petition of Sir Anthony Cope, Arthur Art, John Smith, William Clapham, Thomas Peacocke, and John Matthew, in behalf of themselves and others the Owners, or present Possessor of the Wharfes and Keys made lawful by your Majesty for Landing orShipping off Merchants Goods, scituate between London Bridge and the Tower, called Brewers Key, Chesters and Galley Key, Wooll Key, and Custombouse Key, Porters Key, Bear Key, Wiggons, Toungs and Ralphs Key, Dice Key, Smarts B 4

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Smarts Key, Summers Key, Lyon Key, and Buttolph Wharfe, Cox Key, Gaunts Key, and Fresh Wharfe.

Most humbly sheweth,

Hat by a late Act of this present Parliament, entituled an Additional Act for Rebuilding the City of London. It is amongst other things Enacted, That such Rates and no other shall from time to time be taken for Wharfage and Cranage, as well of Timber and other Materials for Building, as of Coals and other Goods and Merchandizes, as by your Majesty with the Advice of your Privy Council shall for that purpose be assessed and allowed to be taken.

That your Petitioners by the late dreadful Fire received very great Losses, notwithstanding all which, they have according to the Orders of your Majesties Commissioners for that purpose appointed, rebuilt their Wharfes and Cranes at great Charges, much more convenient than ever, for your Majesties Service, and the Accommodation of Merchants; and in regard there are no Rates yet settled by your Majesty, some Persons refuse to give such Satisfaction for Wharfage and Cranage as is just and reasonable, which is much to your Petitioners Prejudice.

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The Premisses considered, Your Petitioners humbly implore your Majesties Favour to take their Case into Consideration, and to establish such Rates for Wharfage and Cranage of Goods brought to, Landed, or Shipped off at the several Wharses and Keys aforesaid, as to your Great Wisdom shall seem just and reasonable.

And your Petitioners (as in Duty bound) shall ever Pray, &c.

Anthony Cope,
Arthur Art,
John Smith,
William Clapham,
Thomas Peacocke,
John Matthew.

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At the Court at Whitehall, the 29th of April, 1674.

#### Present,

Lord Keeper, Earl of Carbery,
Lord Treasurer, Viscount Hallefax,
Lord Privy Seal, Lord Berkley,
Earl of Bridgemater, lain,
Earl of Craven, M.Secretary Coventry.

Master of the Ordnance.

TPon reading this Day at the Board the Humble Petition of Sir Anthony Cope, Arthur Art, John Smith, William Clapham, Thomas Peacocke, and John Matthew, in the behalf of themselves and others, the Owners, or present Possessors of the Wharfes and Keys between London Bridge and the Tower, called Brewers Key, Chesters and Galley Key, Wooll Key, and Customhouse Key, Porters Key, Bear Key, Wiggons, Youngs and Ralphs Key, Dice Key, Smarts Key, Summers Key, Lyon Key, and Buttolph Wharf, Cox Key, Gaunts Key, and Fresh Wharf; setting forth, That since the late dreadful Fire, they have according to the Orders of his Majesties Commissioners for that purpose, Rebuilt

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their Wharfs, and Cranes at great Charges, much more convenient than ever: And therefore humbly pray, that his Majesty in Council would be graciously pleased (according to a late Act of Parliament in that behalf) to establish Such Rates for Wharfage, and Cranage of Goods brought to, Landed, or Shipt off, at the several Wharfs and Keys aforesaid, as to his great Wisdom should seem just and Reasonable. It was Ordered, that it be, and hereby it is referred to the Right Honourable the Lord Mayor of the City of London, and the Court of Aldermen, who are hereby authorized to consider the Petitioners Allegations and to Report to his Majesty in Council what they conceive fit to be done upon the whole matter.

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Then the Petitioners went to the Town Clerks Office at Guildhall, to be inform'd what Proceedings were made upon that Reference, where they found the aforesaid Petition and Reference received by the Lord Mayor and Court of Aldermen, and by them referr'd to a Committee of Aldermen, as follows,

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## Hooker Mayor.

Martis v° die Maii, 1674. Annoq; Regni Regis Caroli Secundi Angliæ, &c. Vicessimo Sexto.

Hereas upon the Petition of Sir Anthony Cope, and others, Proprietors of the several Wharfs and Keys between London-Bridge and the Tower, ' presented to the Lords of his Majesties 'most Honourable Privy Council, praying ' that his Majesty in Council would be pleas-'ed (according to a late A& of Parliament 'in that behalf) to establish the Rates for 'Wharfage and Cranage of Goods, brought to and Landed, or Shipped off at the said Wharfes and Keys. It pleased their Lord-'s ships to refer the same unto this Court, and to Authorize them to consider the said Petitioners Allegations, and Report to his 'Majesty what they should conceive fit to be done upon the whole matter. This 'Court doth thereupon refer the Conside-' ration of that matter to Sir John Fredericke, Sir John Lawrence, Sir Thomas Bludworth, ' Sir Richard Ford, Sir Dennis Gawden, Sir 'Thomas Davies, Sir Francis Chaplin, Sir 'James Edwards, and Sir John Moore, Kts

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and Aldermen, or any three of them; and they to hear the Petitioners, and likewise to Consult whom else they shall think convenient for their further Information; and to make Report of their Opinions therein unto this Court, and William Bird to warn and attend them.

And upon a farther Search in that Office, the Petitioners did find that the then Wharfingers had applied themselves to the said Committee of Aldermen, and delivered in a Demand for Rates of Wharfage, which they desir'd to be setled, with their Reasons for the same, all which are in the Words following.

The

The Rates proposed by the Wharfingers as moderate and reasonable to be taken for Wharfage, at the Wharfes between London-Bridge and the Tower, in pursuance of an Order dated the Iwenty Sixth of May One Thousand Six Hundred Seventy and Four, made by the Right Honourable Committee of Aldermen appointed to consider thereof, viz.

<b>A.</b>	intoLyters or finall Boats to or fromShips	into Ships or Vessels at the Key
A Lmonds the Bag or	s. d.	s. d.
Barrel not exceeding 2 C. and half.	1 <del>1</del>	Iob.
The Serne not exceeding 3 C. and half.	1 <i>0b</i> .	2
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The Bag about 2 C weight Argol the Tun	2	2 1 6
Anchovie the small Barrel	ob.	I
The double Barrel Angelica the Barrel	3	2 4
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	intoLyters or finall	into Ships or Vessels
. The first $\hat{m{B}}_{m{c}}$	Boats to or	at the Key.
	from Ships.	s. d.
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The Trus	4	4
Bacon the Fat or 100 Gam.	T	1 4
The Flitch	ob.	ob.
Barilia the Serne about 3 CZ	<b>~~.</b>	
weight {	3	4
Battery or Kettles the Fat?		
about 16 C	I	14
Beades the Chest or Barrel?		18 m 18 m 1
about 3 C	3	4
Bells the C weight	I	2
Baskets of Hats, Pots, Glas-7		
ses, or other like Goods	2	3
Beef or Pork the Barrel	2	<b>3</b>
Brimstone the Tun weight	[	1 6
Blackin the 100 Barrels	6	8
Books the Baile about 3 C	3	6
The Pack or Chest	4	8
Bottles or Juggs the Dozen	<u>#</u>	ob.
Brisles the Cask about 3C wt	3	4
The Fat about 6 C weight	6	9
Buckerams the Bale	4	6
The Pack about 6 C weight	6	9
Butter the Barrel to or from?		
Foreign Places	1 2	<b></b>
English the Firkin	1 2	1 2 2 2 3 4 3 4 5 4 5 5 5 6 5 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6
The Load qt. 32 Firkins	9	9
		Boxes

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Out of or intoLyters or imall Boats to or fromShips.	Out of or into Ships or Vessels at the Key
s. d.	s. d.
Boxes of Goods small the Box I Boxes of Goods large 2 Brandy the Tun I	i 2 I 4
Brooms of all forts the?  Porters Burthen	
Bedding or Bedsteads the Bundle	3
Beanes the Quarter	2
<b>C.</b>	
Amlets the Bale or Case 3	A
Capers the Hogshead 3	<b>4</b>
Cordage the Tun weight	1 6
Currans the But	16
The Carrateel or two 3 6 quarter Roles	9
Callicoes the small Bale 2	4
The large Bale 4 Carpets the Bale 4	8
Cocheneale the Barrel, Case or Skin about 2 C wt	6
Calves-skins the Dozen	1
Cocoa the But	l G
The Hogshead 40b. Chairs of Leather or Tur-)	U .
ky Work the Bundle ct 3	4
half a dozen	Cheefe

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	Out of or into Lyters or small	Out of or into Ships or Veffels
	Boats to or from Ships.	s. d.
Cheese the Tun of Che-		
The Barrel Of Suffolk Cheefe the Load	2	2
The Porters Burthen	9 1	9 1
Copper or Brass the C weight unwraught	İ	İ
Cork the Bundle about C wt	1	Î 4 2
Corn of sev. sorts the garter Cottonwool of Cyprus the Bag	6	I
Of Smyrna the Bag Of Barbados the Bag	3 33	9
Cotton Yarn the Bale Corral the Chest or Case	3	6
Cordevants the small Bale	3	6 4
Cloth, viz Woolen Cloth?	2.	2
the Fardle The Bale of 5 Cloths	2	3
The Truss The large Trus	4	6 g
The great Pack about a? Tun Bulk	iciioni i sek	1 4
Coach of Chariot with the	2	
Wheel and Furniture } Clap Board the piece	<u> </u>	# # # # # # # # # # # # # # # # # # #
		Clay

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	Out of or into Lyters or fmall Boats to or from Ships.	Out of or into Ships or Vessels at the Key.	
	s. d.	s. d.	
Clay for Tobacco Pipes or Potters, Fullers Earth or Sand the Tun Cowries the small Bag about I C The Bag about 3 C Coffee the Bag about 1 C & Carmenia Wool the Bag about 2 C China Roots the Bag abt. 2 C	1 2 2 2 2 2	9 4 4 4	
China 1000s the bag aut. 20			
<b>D.</b>			
Rugs of several sorts, the Bale, Barrel, or	3		
Imall Case The Hogshead or small Fast The great Case or Fat Dates the Hogshead DealBoards the 100 ordinary	8 • . <b>3</b>	6 1 4 1 6	
Large or Spruced the 100		2	
Dry Goods the hhd packed The Chest or Punchion		8	
The But	8	I	
The Fat		1 4	
	and the second	Earthen	

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E. into	of or in the state of or in the state or in th	Out of or into Ship or Vessels at the Key
Arthen Ware, the finall Chest — }  The great Chest Elephants Teeth the C wt Estrick Wool the Pack or }	d. 6 8	s. d. 8 I
great Bag Empty Casks the Tun	3	1 4
Eathers the small Bag The great Bag abt 5 C wt Fish the Barrel The 100 Fish Figs the Barrel about 1 C wt The Basket or Tapuel Flax the last The Mat about 3 C weight Flocks the Bag about 2 C wt The great Bag about 5 C wt Furs the Hogshead Fustians the small Bale or Case	36 I 2 34 3 3 2 4 4 3	48 2 4 I 1 8 4 48 6 4
G.	¥	
Auls the great Bag a-} bout 5 C weight C 2	4	8 Bags

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	Out of or into Lyters or small Boats to or from Ships.	Out of or into Ships or Veffels at the Key.
	s. d.	s. d.
Bags of Aleppo about 3C was Glasses the Case or great Ches	t 8	<b>1</b>
Glass for Windows the Chest or Case ————————————————————————————————————	•	4
Plates for Looking-Glass- es the Case under 4 C weight		6
Green Ginger the Jar abt ‡ (Gum of several sorts the		2
Bale or Bag about 5 C weight	4	8
Ginger the Bag about a C w Gunpowder the Barrel	<b>' F</b>	2 2
Goats hair the bale or bag about 4 C weight		8
Grave-stones, or Tomb-		26
Grind-stones the Chaldron Grogoram Yarn the bag or sach		4
<b>H.</b>		
Emp the fat of steel: Hemp	} 1	14
The Last The Bale drest or undrest	1 3	1 8
about 2 C weight	<b>}</b> 3	1 4
	,	Hops

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	Out of or into Lyters or finall Boats to or from Ships.	Out of or into Ships or Veffels at the Key.
	s. d.	s. d.
Hops foreign the bag	4	6
English the bag	3	4
Hides the single Hide	72	I
Hony the barrel	2	3
Harts-horn the cart load	14	2
Horns the bag	3	<b>4</b> 3
Hamper of Goods small	2	3
Large	3	4
Houshold goods the load	1 4	2
Hair the Bag about 3 C wt	3	4
Herrings the barrel white	, e I	2
Red the barrel	I	I 2
The Cade	<u>1</u> 2	1 2
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TNdico the barrel or cheft	. 3	4
I about 2 C weight		
Inkle the bag or bale abt 3 C	3	4
Iron in bars, rods or cast { Iron, the Tun }	*	I
parcel about a C weight	I	2
The small parcel	ob.	<b>F</b>
Iron pots the Dozen		4
The Iron pot-	3 ob.	ob.
<b>C</b>	3	Knives

Out of or into Ships or Veffels at the Key.

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Out of or into Lyters or finall Boats to or from Ships.  S. d.	Out of of into Ships or Vessels at the Key.	int or Box from	o Lyters fmall atts to or m Ships.  d.
Nives the Chest about 3 3 C weight 3 Kelp the Tun 1  L.  Ethargy, Gold the 7	4	The large bale The case or small pack or drum fat — The great pack or fat  M.	4
weight Liquoris the sern abt 3 C wi 3 The small bundle — I Lead small the fodder — I Lead the great Pig abt 2 C & 1 1 In bars or sheets the C wi Limons or Oranges the chest Limons pickled the pipe Leather the small bale The back or tanned hide The pack or case  The pack or case  6	4 1 1 4 2 1 10b 8 4 1 6	Adder the bale not above 8 C  The great bale about 12 C  The great fat  Mum the Barrel  Manna the Chest about 3 C  Mastick the Chest abt 2 C wt  Molloss the hhd abt 7 C wt  Mats the roll Flemish  From Russia the dozen  Meal the Sack  Mill-stones of all sorts the tun 1	6 8 3 3 4 1 1 2 1 2 6
Linen, viz. Pouldavis Sack- cloth, or loose Linen the piece The small packet Linen the small case, bale, ballet, or drum barrel  3	ob.  3 4 The	The firkin or 2 C wt The tun Nuts the barrel  C 4	2

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Out of or into Lyters or final! Boats to or from Ships.	into Ships	
s. d.	s. d.	
YL in Pipes, Punch.		
Tun — Tun	I 4	
in large or uncertain Cask } 1	18	
The Jar about 20 Gallons 4	6	
Oaker the barrel abt 3 C wt 2 Ollaves the hogshead 3	3	
The runlet or jar I	4	
The chest qt 24 small barrels 4	6	
Onions the barrel I	Iob.	
Oade the tun	I 4	
<b>P.</b>		
Ruens the hogshed or		
punch about 7 C		
Pepper the bag abt 2 C and 2		
The pocul about I C I Pot ashes the small fat a-7	214	
bout 10 C weight — }	9	
The great fat abt 20 C wt	16	
Paper the bale abt 40 reams 3	4	
The bale or half pack a- } 4	6	
The pack		
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	Out of or into Lyters or finall Boats to or from Ships.	Out of or into Ships or Veffels at the Key.
	s. d.	s. d.
Loose reams the 100 of ordinary white paper of Brown and large paper	8	
the ream	<b>4</b>	4
Blue paper the ream	4	ob.
Prunellos the chest abt 3Cw	3	4
Plantane the hhd or punch	4	6
Pantiles the 100 tiles	I	Tob.
Ploughs the plough —	4	4
Pease the quarter	, <u>,                                   </u>	2
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or chest about 2 C	2	4
weight		Modés -
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and the second of the second o		
DApes the hogshed	9	
Rice the bag abt 3 C w	2	4
Rozen the Tun		191 <b>4</b>
The cake about I C weight	T	4
Rasins the barrel abt 2 C& 1	2	nio <b>a</b> ta
The frail		<b>5</b>
The barrel of Lepora abt 10		
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Out of or into Lyters	Out of or
or small Boats to or	into Ships or Veffels
from Ships.	at the Key.
The score of Baskets — 6	s. d.
The score of Baskets — 6  Red-lead the barrel abt 4C w 3	10
Rub stones the basket	3 1
	<b>.</b>
Red earth the bag about I C I	
The box or bag abt 2 C& : 2	4
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Eeds of all forts the 2	
bag about 3 C 3 weight	4
The great bag about 5 C wt 4	6
Skins the small bale 3	4
The great bale 4	8
Mouse or elke skins the skin ob.	Ţ
Sugar the tun	2
The chest about 9C weight 8	• 1
Sope the chest or cerne abt 3C 3 The barrel 10b.	4
Steel the C weight I	r S
Shoomak the great bag abt 8C 6	8
The half bag about 4 C wt 3	4
The small bag about 2 C wt 10b.	
Saltpeter the bag abt I C we I I	2 / 2
The bale about 2 C & half 2	
Senæ the bale or case	_
	Stones

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Out of or into Lyters or imall Boats to or from Ships.	Out of or into Ships or Vessels at the Key:		
s. d.	s. d.		
Stones the tun 1	T		
Ditto pebbles for pavement 4	6		
Spice of all forts the			
puncheon or small > 6	8		
fat			
The small bag 10b.	2		
Sinomon the bale abt 2 C wt 2	3		
Silk the bale or case 3	6		
The ballet or fangot 2	4		
Spanishmool the bag or pocket 3	4		
Smalts the barrel	4		
Sturgeon the Keg			
Shot the C weight I Sword blades the chest abt 6C 6	I		
The case about 2 C 2	O		
Charte the about	4		
Salt the wey6	4		
The Sack	9		
Starch the barrel 2			
Stuffs or Serges the bale 3	3		
Sider the hogshead3	4		
Sucketts the chest or box	4		
Staves for pipes or hogs-?	4		
heads the 100 — 2	3		
For barrel the 100 Staves 1	2		
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Ou into or Boa	Lyters Imall ts to or	Out of or into Ships or Vessels at the Key.
C.	nShips. d.	s. d.
Allow the hdh abt 5 C Tobacco the potacco	4	6 4
The roll  The hogshead	<u>1</u> 2	6
Tapestry the small pack	6	8
The great pack  Tar and pitch the barrel	I 8	I I ob.
Thred the drum barrel The small fat	<b>4</b>	6
The great fat I		I 4
Tin the C weight  Treasure or mony the small?	I A	A
Tin plates the single barrel	Tob.	2
The double barrel abt 4C w Timber the load	3	4
Towe the mat abt 1 C weight	<b>I</b> .	2
The bag about 3 C weight The great bag about 6 C wt	6	8
Toyes the fat  Twine or packthred the	8	
mat or bag about 4 C	4	6
Ordinary trunks of goods 2	2	
Tarras the barrel	I	2
Teasles the bundle —	4 T	renchers
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	. d.	s. d.
Trenchers the bale ————————————————————————————————————	2	4
Turners ware the porters bur.	2	1 4 4 3
Trees the bundle	2	4
Tinkall the dupper abt 1 C	<b>I</b> ,	<b>3</b>
<b>V.</b>		
T Trudiques she had a		
VErdigreace the bale or barrel about	•	
2 C weight	2	4
Vinegar the hogshead —	2	A
Verjuice the hogshead	3	4
<b>W</b> .		
T X 7 Ine the tun		
The great renish fat i	6	1 4
The half fat	. <u> </u>	T
The hogshead	4	6
The chest of wine Florence	4	6
The larger chest of wine	4	6
Wyre the small ring of copp.	1 2	<del>1</del> <del>2</del> 6
The bundle of abt 6 C wt	4	6
The fat about 16 C weight 1		14
Whalebone the Cweight Wax the C weight	I	Iob.
wax the C weight	I	10b.
. 1		Wood

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	Out of or into Lyters or small Boats to or from Ships.	Out of or into Ships or Vessels at the Key.
Wood, viz. Lignum Vitæ, Box and all forts of dying and other wood the tun Walnut tree planks each plank Wainfcot the 100 leaves Wine lees the Tun Wool English the bag The great bag Woald for Dyers the bundle Whiting the hogshead Wheels the pair	1 1 1 3 6	s. d. 2 10b. 2 1 4 8 0b. 48
<b>Y.</b>	-	
Yarn for ropes or Cable- yarn, the Winch about	1	1 4
3 C weight		·

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These Rates being so very moderate, there being but little advance made in them (and that but in some particulars only) above what was formerly taken, as by the other Book of Rates sirst delivered to this Committee may appear, which we can prove, and all unprejudiced Merchants will acknowledge were the Rates generally received for Wharfage only, several Years before the late dreadful Fire: We hope this worshipful Committee will think it but reasonable to establish them.

All other Goods and Parcels not particularly mentioned to pay proportionably to Goods of the like Weight and Bulke.

The Antient Duty of Petty Wharfage being 2 pence for every Cart, and 4 pence for every Shod Cart of Goods fold at the Key, or out of the Warehouses within the Key Gates, to be paid by the buyer thereof (as it hath been time out of mind.)

Edmund Handley, William Clapham, Thomas Peacocke, Arthur Art, John Jaggard, John Smith, John Matthews,

Hen.

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Hen. Williamson, Juns
John Saintloe,
Richard Latward,
for Sir A. C.
John Hilton,
Isaac Bengey.

This is a true Copy, examined (the 24th day of January, 1704.) with the Original; by me,

David Le Gros.

The Petitioners found in the said Office, the Rates for Wharfage which the Merchants likewise presented to the said Committee, with their Reasons for the same.

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## RATES

Humbly offered by

## The Merchants

FOR

WHARFAGE and CRANAGE,

BETWEEN

London-Bridge and the Tower,

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bout 2 C weight	Secretary Secretary Secretary	1
The Serne about 3 C	weight	T
Allom the Tun		6
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The Bag about 2 C weight — I  Argol the Tun 6  Anchovies the small Barrel 4  The double Barrel 4  Angelica the Barrel I	Buckerams the Bale  The Pack about 6 C weight  Butter the Barrel to or from Foreign  Places  English the Firkin  The Load qt. 32 Firkins  Power of Goods freell the Para
<b>B.</b>	Boxes of Goods small the Box Boxes of Goods large the Box Brandy the Tun
Bacon the Fat or 100 Gammons The Flitch Barilia the Serne about 3 C weight  2 3 Bacon the Fat or 100 Gammons 1½ Barilia the Serne about 3 C weight	Brooms of all forts the Porters 3  Burthen Bedding or Bedsteads the Bundle Beanes the Quarter
Battery or Kettles the Fat about 3 6  16 C weight  Beades the Chest or Barrel about 3 C  weight	C.  Amlets the Bale or Case
Bells the Tun  Baskets of Hats, Pots, Glasses, or other  like Goods  Beef or Pork the Barrel  1	Capers the Hogshead  Cordage the Tun weight  Currans in But, Carrateel, or Quar-  ter, Role, the Tun weight
Brimstone the Tun weight  Blackin the 100 Barrels  Books the Baile about 3 C weight  The Pack or Chest  Bottles or Juggs the Cast  Brisles the Cask about 3 C weight  The Fat about 6 C weight  2	Callicoes the small Bale  The large Bale  Carpets the Bale  Cocheneale the Barrel, Case or Skin  about 2 C wt  Calves-skins the Dozen  Cocoa in Buts or hogsheads the Tun
Buckerams	D 2 Chairs

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Chairs of Leather or Turky Work the Bundle qt half a dozen Cheese, of Cheshire or Holland, or Suffolk the Tun weight Copper or Brass the Tun Copperas the Tun weight Cork the Bundle of about C weight Corn of several sorts the qarter Cottonwool of Cyprus the Bag Of Smyrna the Bag Of Barbador the Bag Cotton Yarn the Bale Corral the Chest or Case Cordevants the small Bale Canes the 100 Cloth, viz. Woolen Cloth the Fardle The Bale of 5 Cloths The Trus The great Pack about a Tun Bulk Coach or Chariot with the Furniture Clap Boards the great hundred Clay for Tobacco Pipes or Potters, 7	China Roots the Bag about 2 C weight  D.  Rugs of several forts the Bale, Barrel, or Case The Hogshead or small Fat The great Case or Fat Dates the Tun Deal Boards the 120 ordinary Large or Spruced the 120 Dry Goods the Hogshead packed The Chest or Punchion The But The Fat  E.  Arthen Ware, the small Chest The great Chest Elephants Teeth the Tun  A.  A.  A.  A.  A.  A.  A.  A.  A.  A
Fullers Earth, or Sand the tun  Cowries the Tun  6	Elephants Teeth the Tun  Estrick Wool the Pack or great Bag  Empty Cooks 1. T
Coffee the Bag about 2 C & !  Carmenia Wool the Bag about 2 C }  weight	Empty Casks the Tun
China	D a Feathers

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	Goats hair the bale or bag about 4 C \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \
	Grave-stones the Tun weight 6
Eathers the small Bag The great Bag abt 5 C weight  Fish the Barrel The 100 Fish  Figs. in Barrel Pasket or Terrel	Grogoram Yarn the bag or fack 2 Grind-stones the Tun weight 6  H.
Figs in Barrel, Basket or Tapnel 6  the Tun  Flax the the Tun qt 20 C weight  Flocks the Bag about 2 C weight  The great Bag about 5 C weight  Furs the Hogshead  Furthers the Grall Pale or Color	The Bale drest or undrest a- } countries to a point a countries to
Fustians the small Bale or Case	Hides the single Hide ————————————————————————————————————
<b>G.</b>	Harts-horn the Tun weight Horns the bag
Auls the great Bag a bout 5 C  Weight  Bags of Aleppo about 3 C weight  Glass of Windows the Case or Chest  Plates for Looking-Glasses the Case  under 4 C weight  Green Ginger the Tun  6	Hamper of Goods large  Small  Houshold goods the load  Hair the Bag about 3 C weight  Herrings the barrel white  The barrel Red  The Cade
Gum of several sorts in Bale or } 6  Bag per Tun  Ginger the Tun weight  Gunpowder the Barrel	
Goats	D 4 The

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I.  I Ndico the barrel or cheft about 2 C  weight  Inkle the bag or bale abt 3 C weight  Iron in bars, rods or cast Iron, the  Tun  English Iron per Tun  Iron-Mongers ware the parcel about  I C weight  The small parcel  Iron pots the Dozen  Large, the Iron pot	Limons pickled the pipe  Leather the small bale  The back or tanned hide  The bale from Russia  The pack or case  Limons or Oranges the chest  Linen the small case, bale, ballet or  drum barrel  The large Bale  The case small packe or drum fat  The great fat or pack of French or  Germany Linen, as also Pouldavis  Crocus, Hinderlands or Lettow  Linen
K.  Nives the Chest about 3 C; weight Kelp the Tun  L.  Ethargy, Gold the barrel about 2  C weight Liquoris the sern about 3 C weight Lead the fodder Liquoris the small bundle  Limons	M.  Adder the bale not above 8 C weight  The great bale above 12 C weight  The great fat  Mum the Barrel  Manna the Chest about 3 C weight  Mastick the Chest about 2 C weight  Mollosses the hogshead about 7 C wt  Mats the roll Flemiss  From Russia the dozen  Meal the Sack  Mill-stones of all forts the tun  Nails

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O.  OYL in Pipes, Punchions Hog- Sheads or other uncertan Cask, the Tun The Jar about 20 Gallons Oaker the barrel about 3 C weight Ollaves the hogshead The runlet or jar The chest qt 24 small barrels Onions the barrel Oade the tun  O.  OAL  OAL  OAL  OAL  OAL  OAL  OAL	Loose reams the 100 of ordinary  white paper  Brown large paper the 100 ream  Blue paper the 100 ream  Prunellos the chest about 3 C weight  Plantane the hhd or puncheon  Pantiles the 100 tiles  Ploughs the plough  Pease the quarter  Q.  Q.  Quales the cage  R.
P.  PRuens the tun weight Pepper the bag about 3 C weight The pocul about 1 C weight Pot-Ashes the Ton Paper the bale about 40 reams The bale or half pack about 60 reams The pack Loose	Rafins in barrels frail or basket the tun Red-lead the basket Rundlets of any fort of liquors Red earth the tun  Seeds

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s. d. Synce	Shëets Salt th
2	The
S'Eeds of all forts the bag about?	Starch Stuffs
The great bag about 5 C weight 2 Skins the small bale	ing Sider
The great bale 2	Sucker
Mouse or elke skins the dozen	Staves For l
Sope inchest serne or barrel per tun 6	
Steel the tun 6	
Saltpeter in bag or ball per tun	
Sena the bale or case  Stones the tun	
Ditto pebbles for pavement	The I
Spice of all forts the puncheon 3	Tapest
The small bag	The g
Sinomon the bale abt 2 C weight Silk the bale or case	Thred
The ballet or fangot r  Spanish or Polonia wool the bag or ?	The f
pocket — — 5	Tin th
Smalts the barrel Sturgeon the dozen Kegs	Treasur Tin pl
Shot the tun	Timber Tower
Sword blades the chest abt 6 C weight 2 The case about 2 C weight	The b
Sheets	

C 45 7	
Sheets the chest Salt the wey The Sack Starch the barrel	s. d. I 6
Stuffs or Serges the bale not exceed- ing 3 C and half Sider the hoginead Sucketts the cheft or box Stayes for pipes on 1	2 11
Staves for pipes or hogsheads the 120 For barrels the 120 Staves	1
Т.	
Allow the bbd abt 5 C weight Tobacco the potacco The roll	
The hogshead Tapestry the small pack	2 2
The great pack  Tar and pitch the last  Thred the drum barrel	4
The small fat  The great fat about a tun	2 4 6
Treasure or mony the small chest or box	6 6
Timber the load	6
Towe the mat about 1 C weight The bag about 3 C weight	igi ipi <del>i</del> I
	The

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The great bag about 6 C weight  Toyes the fat	3 4 6
Twine or packthred the tun Ordinary trunks of goods the trunk Tarrassa the barrel	<b>5</b>
Teasels the bundle Trenchers the bale Turpentine the tun	2 I 6
Turners ware the porters burthen  Trees the bundle  Tinkall the dupper abt I C weight	I .
V.	<b>.</b>
Vinegar the hogshead Verjuice the hogshead	1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1
Ine in all forts of Casks per tun The chest of Florence wine The large chest of wine	6
Wyre in rings bundle of fats per tun Whalebone the tun Wood, viz. Lignum Vitæ, Box and?	6
all forts of dying and other wood the tun	6 Wal-

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Walnut tree planks the tun Wainscot the 100 leaves Wine lees the Tun Wool English the bag The great bag Wax the tun Woald for Dyers the tun Whiting the hogshead Wheels the pair	5. d. 6 6 1 36 - 6 1½ 2
Arn, viz. Linen-yarn the bag about 12 C weight Yarn for ropes or Cable-yarn, the tur	<b>4</b>
All weighable Goods 20 C weight to counted a Tun. All other Goods to pay proportionably	
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These Rates are conceived to be so equal and competent as need not any Augmentation, which being laid upon the Body of Trade, must become a Burthen thereto, and where the Publick Trade is confined to particular places, it is presumed both in Law and Reason, that the Rates of Charge laid thereon should be not only fixt and strated, but very moderate and easy: and accordingly, the antient Rate of Wharfage and Cranage did not exceed 4 pence per Tun upon Commodities of all sorts, till about 1650; and then the same was raised to about 6 pence per Tun; according to which proportion, Merchants have ever since paid until the Fire, and are content still to do. And this is no Inconsiderable Addition and Advance to the Wharfingers, and sufficient to answer all their Reasons to the contrary. Besides which, the increase of Trade is of late Years such, as may be held an ample Recompence of all their pretended Charge. However it is defired, that any Contract now in being may stand Good whatever Settlement be made. And that the Stilyard, Three Cranes, and other Wharfs above Bridge (having License to Land Foreign Goods) may be tyed to these Rates, and have their Grants continued to them.

William Bellamy.

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The Wharfage and Lighterage which was paid in the Years 1647, 1648, 1649, 1650, for the Goods and Merchandize hereafter mentioned were as felloweth, viz.

	s. d.
A LL manner of Wines per tun	8
2 \ Qyls in Pipes and small Casks	8.
Almonds and Raysins solis per Barrel	2
Basket and ps Raysins per score	6
Hops the bag	• 4
Indico the chest	2
Madder the Bale from 8 C to 12 C	8
Tobacco the Potaco	2
Sugar the Chest	4

William Bellamy.

This is a true Copy, examined (the 24th day of January, 1704.) with the Original; by me,

David Le Gros.

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In pursuance of the Direction of the Honourable Committee of the Court of Aldermen;

The Governour Assistants and Fellowship of Eastland Merchants, do propose the undermentioned Rates to be antiently paid, and moderate for Cranage and Wharfage of the Goods sollowing, viz.

And the like Rate for all other Goods proportionable to them.

In Order of the Eastland Company.

Nich. Orton, Secretary.

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The Original Papers before mentioned, are in the Town-Clerk's Office at Guild-ball.

The Petitioners not finding any further Proceedings or Rates settled, and being informed that Mr. Peacocke was still living who was one of the Wharfingers that fign'd the Petition above mentioned to the King in Council, and also the proposed Rates of Wharfage to the Committee of Aldermen 3 the Petitioners pray'd the Committee of that House of Commons that the said Mr. Pear cocke might be summon'd to attend them, and to bring his Books that they might be informed by him what were the Rates for Wharfage which he charged the Traders with, which Summons was granted, but Mr. Peacocke being Old and Infirm, could not attend, but fent up his Son and Servant with his Books; upon perusal whereof, it appeared that he charg'd the several Rates following,

To Mr. John Fleett and all,
other Sugar Traders, for Su- 2 per hhd.
gars shipt
To Alderman Jefferyes, and
all other Tobacco Traders for 3 per hhd.
Tobacco shipt

To

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To Mr. Hen. Collyer, and others, for Madders land-8 per Bale ed

To Sir John Frederick for 6 per Tun.

Logwood shipt \_\_\_\_\_\_ 6

Thus in short the Matters of Fact are so far stated, that every Trader in London by examining the proposed and former Rates with what he now pays, will find how he is now used, and that no body may be imposed upon by their charging Lighterage and Wharfage in one Line, without distinguishing how much one and the other is, which is their common Practice. The Proportions of each are shown in their Agreement with the Levant Company hereto annext.

How injurious to Trade, and to all Merchants particularly; this Copartnership has been, and still is, does farther appear by their Arbitrary assuming to themselves the Sole Right of imploying Lighters to, and from the Lawful Keys whereof they are Masters, and hindering all others who have at least an equal Right therein with themselves; whereby it follows they deliver what Ships they Please, and Leave others undelivered, or delay the doing of it to the Mer-

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Merchants and Owners Prejudice very great Summs, and by which they have it in their Power to give the preference of the Market

to whom they please.

But above all this Copartnership is rendred most intolerable by the Nature of it, being a Secret amongst themselves, and which they refuse to discover, so that in all the Wrongs they or their Servants do by Detaining, Imbezling or Sinking Merchants Goods, there's no remedy at Law against them, till by a tedious and expensive Sute in Chancery the proper Defendants can be discovered, and after that to be harrast with Tryals at Law, Motions for New Tryals, Writs of Error, &c. maintained by a body of Men, with a publick Purse and very great Income, how justly let the World judge, and let every single Trader reslect to what Condition he is reduced, to be thus at the Mercy of his Fellow Subjects, to whom the Law obliges him to come, and against whom he can have no Remedy but what's so difficult, chargeable and tedious to come at.

Upon consideration of all which, its humbly hop'd, on due Application made, the Government will take such Measures to redress all the said Grievances, that the Trade and Traders of London may not be longer subject to the Arbitrary disposition of such a dark unpresidented and oppressive Copartnership.

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# Rates of Wharfage, Cranage, and Litherage of Goods, To and From Turkey and the Levant.

Agreed upon with Mr. Richard Lechmore and Mr. Thomas Coppin, Wharfingers, of Galley and Chester Keys. At a Court of the Levant Company; June 17th, 1690.

Outwards. Wharfage and Cranage.
Loth, the Bale not exceeding and
> 1002 Cidenes to nate - > -
All Other Woollen Goods and Stuffe 5
not exceeding 2 C and half per hale 6
Diazii wood the tun
Callicoes, the bale
Furs of all forts, the bale or fat2
Lead the Fodder
Red and white lead the tun 8
Latin Plates the barrel single
Double Plates the barrel
Pepper the Bag not exceeding 3 C and half 2
an the parrel containing 2 (
Wire of Iron or Copper in Casks, the Cask 3
Wire of Iron or Copper per tun of 20 C 8
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All other ordinary Goods in Casks, viz	. 7
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ing 5 C	3
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Box-Wood the tun ———————————————————————————————————	12
Carpets of all forts the bale 5	3
Camblets, Mohairs & Grograms	2
the bale	
Cordevants the bale 3	2
Cotton Wool of Smirna the bag 3	2
of Cyprus, Acria and Scan-	<b>7</b>
deroon, the bag	3
Cotton-yarn of Smirna, the bag?	
or bale	
of Aleppo, the bag or bale 3	2
Currans the but	6
Two Caratels and four quarter	7. S.
roles to be reckoned a but.	
Gauls of Aleppo the bag	2.
of Smirna the bag 3	· 2
Cooks Wool of Carina at a king	2
of Aleppo, the bag 3	
Grograin Yarn the Bale or Sack	<b>.</b>
Gum of Almonds 20 C	8
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Lighterage	Cranage & Wharfage.
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Opium )	**
Rhubarb the Chest 3	2
Scamony)	
Pistaches the bale	2
Pot-ashes, Weed-ashes, and all)	
ashes from Turky the tun of 12	8
20 C	
Valonea ground or unground?	/* <b>\ (</b> )
the tun of $20  \text{C}$	O O
Rasins)	
Rice the tun of 20 C12	8
Soap	
Sena the chest or bale 3	2
Silk the bale or fangot 3	2.
Wormseeds the bale 3	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
Turpentine the Chest 3	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
Oyls and Cute the tun — 12	8
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All other Goods not here mentioned, are to pay in proportion to the Rates afore-faid. And all Goods are to be brought up in Close Lighters.

And it is Agreed, That if any shall neglect to take up their Goods when as there remains but thirty parcels or fewer in the Lighter, If the Person concerned be not then ready to take them on Shore, The Wharsinger may put the (57)

fame in another Lighter, taking care of them: For which he shall receive 12 d. per parcel; and after three days 12 d. a Week Demorage. And it is farther agreed that the Wharfage of all Goods not exceeding 5 s. shall be paid down on the Wharfe, at the taking up of the Goods. And it shall be lawful for the Wharfingers to detain the Goods, till Payment or Satisfaction.

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