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PART V.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE LEGISLATIVE DEPARTMENT, BOMBAY.

The following Bill, together with the Statement of Objects and Reasons accompanying it, is published in accordance with Rule 15 of the Rules for the conduct of Business at Meetings of the Council of His Excellency the Governor of Bombay for making Laws and Regulations:—

Bill No. 1 of 1883.

A Bill to further amend the Bombay Port Trust Act, 1879.

WHEREAS it is expedient to amend the Bombay Port Trust Act, 1879, in manner hereinafter appearing: It is enacted as follows:--- 1. Instead of the words "or pier" in Amendment of Section 43. Section 43 of the said Act, the words "pier, land or building"

STATEMENT OF OBJECTS AND REASONS.

Under the combined provisions of Sections 43 and 61 of the Bombay Port Trust Act, 1879, the Trustees of the Port of Bombay have a lien on goods stored on any wharf, dock or pier in the possession of the Board for the rent of the area on which goods are stored.

But a considerable portion of the estate of the Port Trust, and upon which goods are daily stored by many different owners and agents, is without the limits of any wharf, dock or pier, and for the rent of goods so stored the Trustees have no lien. Consequently the Trustees cannot legally refuse to permit such goods to be removed unless storage-rent be first paid; and if the goods were so removed rent could only be recovered afterwards with much difficulty and would in many instances be lost.

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The circumstances under which goods are stored preclude the Trustees from protecting themselves in each case by express contract, and the only course seems to be to accede to the request which has been made to Government by the Trustees themselves that their lien on goods should be extended to such as are stored on any land or building in their possession.

This Bill has been drawn for this purpose.

12th March 1883.

(Signed) E. W. RAVENSCROFT.

By order of His Excellency the Right Honourable the Governor in Council,

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H. F. ASTON, Acting Under Secretary to Government.

Bombay Castle, 12th March 1883.