

and John Vine Hall, of 41, Moorgate Street aforesaid, Nautical Inspector of the Company, but both about to proceed to New Zealand and Australia, jointly, *and each of them separately*, our true and lawful Attorneys and Attorney, Agents and Agent, giving and hereby granting to our said attorneys, and each of them, full power and authority *to do, manage, transact, execute, and carry on all our affairs and business*, and to manage and deal with all our estate, property and effects *in New Zealand and Australia, and elsewhere in the Southern hemisphere, and at Panama*; and for us and in our name, and as our act and deed, acts and deeds, or in the name and as the act and deed, acts and deeds, of our said attorneys or attorney or otherwise, as occasion shall require, or the said attorneys or attorney shall think fit, to enter into and take possession of, and to ask, *demand*, sue for, recover, *and receive*, of and from all and every persons and person, bodies or body politic, corporate or incorporate, in all or any of the Colonies, places, or parts aforesaid, whom it doth, or shall, or may concern, *all and singular estates, property, goods, wares, merchandise, ships, vessels*, shares of ships or vessels, chattels, effects, books, bills of sale, mortgages, charter parties, contracts, deeds, documents, papers, and writings, debts, dues, duties, sums and sum of money, accounts, reckonings, claims, and demands whatsoever, of or to which we are now, or shall or may at any time or times hereafter be or become, in any manner possessed or entitled, or which are, or is, or shall, or may at any time or times hereafter be or become due, owing, payable, or belonging to or claimable by us in any manner howsoever, by or from any person or persons, body or bodies politic, corporate, or incorporate, whomsoever, in all or any of the parts or places aforesaid. And upon delivery or receipt of all or any of the premises aforesaid, to make, sign, and if necessary seal, execute, and deliver, and give good, valid, and effectual receipts, releases, and discharges for the same respectively. And in case of non-delivery or non-payment of all or any of the matters or premises aforesaid, to bring, commence, sue forth and prosecute any action or actions, suit or suits, or other proceeding or proceedings whatsoever at law or in equity, and in any Court or Courts of Law, Equity, Admiralty or Vice-Admiralty, Insolvency or Bankruptcy, or other Court or Courts whatsoever of superior or inferior jurisdiction, and other proceeding or proceedings whatsoever against any such person or persons, body or bodies politic, corporate, or incorporate; and also to appear to defend and prosecute any such action, suit, or other proceeding, which may be had, brought, commenced, or prosecuted against us. And in any such action, suit, or other proceeding, to proceed to judgment and execution, or otherwise to become nonsuit or suffer judgment to go by default, or to compromise and settle the same, or otherwise to proceed therein respectively as the said attorneys or attorney may be advised or think fit; and also from time to time to appoint, hire, and employ such captains, officers, crew, and servants, to or for any of our ships or vessels, or any ships or vessels under our control or management, or otherwise, on our behalf, as the said attorneys or attorney shall think fit; and for the purposes aforesaid, or any of them, to sign all such agreements and articles as the said attorneys or attorney shall think fit; and also from time to time to appoint and employ any agent or agents or local manager for us, in all or any of the places aforesaid; and also from time to time to remove and displace any captains, officers, crew, and servants of any ship or vessel, and any agent or local manager, engineer, clerk, or servant, who have or has been or may be appointed or employed by or for us, or who have or has assumed to act for us or on our behalf, in all or any of the places aforesaid: And to appoint any other person or persons in the place and stead of any person or persons so to be removed or displaced as aforesaid, if the said attorneys or attorney shall deem it expedient so to do: And to agree with all or any of the persons aforesaid as to the rate of wages, hire, or remuneration for their services, respectively: And also to arrange and settle with all or any such persons or person aforesaid as to the time or period or respective times or periods of service, and the terms and conditions of their or his employment, respectively: And to enter into, make, sign, and if necessary seal and deliver, any contract or contracts, agreement or agreements, with any such persons or person respecting their or his employment or engagement respectively, as the said attorneys or attorney shall deem expedient: And also to charter or hire for any period or periods whatsoever any ship or vessel, ships or vessels, from any person or persons, company or companies, upon such terms and conditions as the said attorneys or attorney shall think fit: And to charter and let on hire any ship or vessel, ships or vessels, belonging or which may at any time belong to us, or of or over which we have or shall have the control or management, to any person or persons, Government or Governments, company or companies, body or bodies, upon such terms and conditions, and for such period or periods, as the said attorneys or attorney shall think fit; and to discontinue the running of all or any of our vessels, and to lay up the same or any of them: And also to enter into any contract or contracts, agreement or agreements, with any person or persons, body or bodies, Government or Governments, respecting the carriage and conveyance of goods, wares, merchandize, and passengers, by any ship or ships, vessel or vessels, belonging or to belong to us, or which are or shall be under our control or management: And to alter or vary the terms of any contract or contracts, agreement or agreements, now existing or hereafter to be made and entered into by or for us with any person or persons, body or bodies, Government or Governments, for all or any of such purposes: And also to arrange and agree the term or period during which any such contract or agreement shall exist, and the rate and time or times and mode of payment of any freight, subsidy, or other remuneration thereunder, and also the terms and conditions thereof, and any special terms and conditions if and as the said attorneys or attorney shall think fit: And also from time to time to enter into any contract with any person or persons, body or bodies, or Government, respecting the carriage of letters and mails: And from time to time to vary the terms of any contract now existing or hereafter to be made or entered into by us or on our behalf with any person or persons, body or bodies, Government, respecting the carriage of letters and mails, and from time to time, if our said attorneys or attorney shall conceive it for our interest so to do, to enter into negotiations with any person or persons, body or bodies, or Government, respecting any new arrangement or contract for the carriage of letters and mails, and at their or his discretion to authorize, order, and direct the return or the voyage to any port in England or elsewhere of any of our steam ships, steam vessels, coal hulks, and sailing ships or vessels, and to take all necessary steps, and make and enter into all necessary arrangements, for the