

that the Governor of Northern Ireland may by Order in Council, on an application made on behalf of any corporation or body of persons constituted by any Act of Parliament, make such provision for extending the term of office of members of the corporation or body, or postponing the date of election of new members of the corporation or body, or for the filling of vacancies among such members, as may appear to the said Governor to be necessary or expedient for the purposes of securing economy or efficiency in the carrying on of the work of the corporation or body during the period of the present emergency as defined by the said Act:

And whereas it is provided by sub-section (2) of section two of the said Act that an Order in Council made for the purposes specified in paragraph (a) of sub-section (1) of that section with respect to any corporation or body may give such directions as to any special register of electors kept for the purpose of election of members of that corporation or body as appear to the said Governor to be expedient, and that any Order in Council made under the said section may contain such incidental and consequential provisions as appear to the said Governor to be expedient, and shall have effect notwithstanding the provisions of any enactment relating to the constitution or functions of the corporation or body to which the Order relates:

And whereas application has been made on behalf of the corporation consisting of the Londonderry Port and Harbour Commissioners constituted by the Londonderry Port and Harbour Act, 1854 (in this Order referred to as "the corporation") for an Order making provision and giving directions as aforesaid with respect to the corporation and the election of members thereof (in this Order referred to as "Commissioners"):

And whereas by the Londonderry Port and Harbour Act, 1854, and the several Acts extending and amending that Act or incorporated therewith (in this Order referred to as "the Harbour Acts"), it is provided that—

- (a) one-third of the elected Commissioners shall go out of office on the second Monday in the month of January in each year and their places shall be supplied by the election of a like number of Commissioners:
- (b) if any occasional vacancy among the elected Commissioners shall occur the vacancy may be supplied by the election of another Commissioner in accordance with the Harbour Acts; and
- (c) a register of electors for the purpose of the election of Commissioners shall be prepared and revised in each year:

And whereas it appears to be expedient for the purposes of securing economy and

efficiency in the carrying on of the work of the corporation during the said period of the present emergency that provision should be made and directions should be given in the manner hereinafter appearing:

Now, therefore, I, James Albert Edward, Duke of Abercorn, Knight of the Most Noble Order of the Garter, Knight of the Most Illustrious Order of Saint Patrick, Governor of Northern Ireland, by and with the advice of the Privy Council of Northern Ireland, in exercise of the powers conferred upon me by the Chartered and Other Bodies (Temporary Provisions) Act (Northern Ireland), 1940, and of all other powers enabling me in that behalf, do hereby order and direct as follows:—

1. (1) The elections of one-third of the elected Commissioners which would, apart from this Order, be held under the Harbour Acts in the years nineteen hundred and forty-one, nineteen hundred and forty-two, and nineteen hundred and forty-three, shall be postponed, respectively, until the years nineteen hundred and forty-three, nineteen hundred and forty-four, and nineteen hundred and forty-five, and the term of office of elected Commissioners holding office at the date of this Order shall be extended accordingly.

(2) A general meeting for the election of Commissioners shall not be held in the year nineteen hundred and forty-one or the year nineteen hundred and forty-two.

2. (1) The preparation and revision of the register of electors under the Londonderry Port and Harbour Act, 1920, for the purpose of the elections of Commissioners shall be postponed until such respective dates as may be necessary in order to enable elections to take place in the year nineteen hundred and forty-three and subsequent years, and the register of electors in force at the date of this Order shall continue in force subject to this Order, for all purposes for which it may be required until the register of electors is revised for the purpose of the election taking place in the first mentioned year.

(2) No person shall by virtue of any enactment of the Harbour Acts be required to perform any duty solely for the purpose of an election which by virtue of this Order is not to be held.

3. (1) Any occasional vacancy occurring among the elected Commissioners shall be supplied by means of the choice by the corporation of a person duly qualified to be an elected Commissioner under the Harbour Acts, to fill the vacancy, and the person so chosen shall hold office until the time when the person in whose place he is chosen would regularly have gone out of office under the foregoing provisions of this Order and he shall then go out of office.

(2) Notice of a proposal to fill any such occasional vacancy as aforesaid shall be given in the manner required by the standing orders of the corporation.