

Colonel Neville Francis Fitzgerald Chamberlain, C.B., Inspector-General, Royal Irish Constabulary.

Lieutenant-Colonel John Foster George Ross of Bladensburg, C.B., Chief Commissioner of the Dublin Metropolitan Police.

At the Court at Buckingham Palace, the 10th day of August 1903.

PRESENT,

The KING's Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

Whereas by section 5, sub-section 2, of the Merchant Shipping (Mercantile Marine Fund) Act, 1898, it is enacted that the Scale and Rules set out in the Second Schedule to that Act shall have effect for the purpose of the levying of light dues in pursuance of that Act, but His Majesty may, by Order in Council, alter either generally or with respect to particular classes of cases, the Scale or Rules and the Exemptions therefrom:

And whereas it has been made to appear to His Majesty that the said Scale should be altered in manner hereinafter appearing:

Now, therefore, His Majesty, in exercise of the powers vested in Him by the above-recited provisions, doth, for the purpose of the levying of light dues in pursuance of the said Act, alter by this Order in Council, the Scale set out in the said Second Schedule to the said Act in manner following, that is to say:—

1. Each of the dues authorised to be levied by the said Scale shall be reduced by twelve and a half per centum of the amounts therein specified, and the said dues as so reduced shall be levied accordingly.

2 This Order in Council shall come into operation as and from the first day of April one thousand nine hundred and three.

A. W. FITZROY.

At the Court at Buckingham Palace, the 11th day of August 1903.

PRESENT,

The KING's Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

Whereas by the Sugar Convention Act, 1903, after reciting that by Article VII. of the Convention, signed on the fifth day of March nineteen hundred and two, in relation to sugar, provision was made for the establishment of a Permanent Commission (in the Act referred to as the Permanent Commission) charged with watching the execution of the provisions of the Convention, it is enacted that where it is reported by the Permanent Commission that any direct or indirect bounty is granted in any foreign country on the production or export of sugars His Majesty may, by Order in Council, make a prohibition Order, that is to say, an Order prohibiting sugar from that foreign country to be imported or brought into the United Kingdom, subject to any provision which might be made by Parliament in lieu of such prohibition to impose a special duty on such sugar in accordance with the Convention; and that while a prohibition Order is in force the laws relating to the Customs

shall apply as if the sugar in respect of which the Order is made were specified, with exception as to transit, in the table of prohibitions and restrictions inwards contained in section forty-two of the Customs Consolidation Act, 1876. And it was also enacted that His Majesty might, similarly, make such regulations as should appear to Him necessary in relation to any such Order, and in particular require the origin of all sugar imported or brought into the United Kingdom, whether in transit or otherwise, to be proved by such certificate or other evidence as might be provided in the Order; but no Order made was to apply to molasses.

And whereas it appears from the findings of the Permanent Commission, as contained in Command Paper 1632, presented to Parliament, that the said Permanent Commission has reported that a bounty on the exportation of Sugars is granted in Denmark, Russia, and the Argentine Republic.

Now, therefore, His Majesty, in exercise of the powers vested in Him by the said first recited Act, by and with the advice of His Privy Council, is pleased to order, and it is hereby ordered:

That, from and after the first day of September next, and subject to any such provision by Parliament as hereinbefore treated, all sugar from Denmark, Russia, and the Argentine Republic (not including molasses and sugar-sweetened products) shall (except in transit) be prohibited to be imported or brought into the United Kingdom; and that in relation to this Order the regulations in the Schedule hereto annexed are to be deemed as made and prescribed.

A. W. FITZROY.

SCHEDULE to which the foregoing Order refers.

#### REGULATION I.

All sugar (other than molasses and sugar-sweetened products) imported or brought into the United Kingdom from any place outside the same, shall be accompanied by such evidence of origin as hereinafter required; and all such sugar imported or brought into the United Kingdom not accompanied by such evidence shall be deemed to be so imported or brought in contrary to a restriction contained in section forty-two of the Customs Consolidation Act, 1876, and subject as hereinafter provided, shall be dealt with accordingly, as if the same were goods enumerated and described in the table to the said section.

#### REGULATION II.

The evidence of origin required shall be in accordance with that laid down by the Permanent Commission in certain Articles agreed to by them for due observance of the Convention, so far as the same are applicable to the United Kingdom; that is to say:—

All sugar (other than molasses and sugar-sweetened products) shall be accompanied by a certificate of origin indicating (A) the kind and quantity of the sugar, (B) the kind, number, and marks of the packages, (C) the country of production, of origin, or of manufacture, and the country of destination of the goods, and (D) the mode of carriage by land or water.

#### REGULATION III.

The certificate must be signed, and issued, by the fiscal authority having jurisdiction in the country of production, of despatch, or of