

For empowering the Admiralty to exercise any authority concerning lights to be maintained at night during the construction or execution of any work :

For empowering the Admiralty or the First Lord of the Admiralty to nominate or appoint a member or members of any Board or body of Trustees, Commissioners, or Conservators, or of any harbour or conservancy authority :

For empowering the Admiralty to determine any dispute or difference between or among any bodies or persons :

For empowering the Admiralty or the First Lord of the Admiralty to nominate or appoint any arbitrator, referee, or umpire, or any engineer, inspector, or officer, or any person to fill any place or discharge any duty under such Act :

or any other provision for the protection, management or regulation of harbours or navigation, or for the exercise of any control or power over or in relation to any harbour authority, or any other provision in any wise relating to conservancy, or authorising or requiring any act or thing concerning harbours or navigation or conservancy to be done by or in relation to the Admiralty,—

Then from and after the thirty-first day of December one thousand eight hundred and sixty-two, such Acts and all Enactments relative thereto should be read and construed as if in the respective provisions aforesaid the Board of Trade were named instead of the Admiralty, and the President of the Board of Trade instead of the First Lord of the Admiralty.

And whereas in the same Act was contained a provision forming section 9, whereby it was provided that where it appeared to the Admiralty that the interests of Her Majesty's Naval Service required that the whole or any part of any harbour, port, bay, estuary, or navigable river in, on, or adjoining to which there was or should be any of Her Majesty's dockyards, victualling yards, steam factory yards, arsenals, or naval stations, should be excepted, either entirely or in some respects, out of the operation of the therein last foregoing section, meaning the said section 8, the Admiralty might give notice in writing to the Board of Trade, that any such harbour, port, bay, estuary, or navigable river as aforesaid, or such part thereof as should be in the notice specified, was to be deemed so excepted, either entirely or in the respects therein mentioned ; and that every such Notice should be published by the Admiralty in the London, Edinburgh, or Dublin Gazette (according as the place affected might be in England, Scotland, or Ireland), and that thereupon the harbour, port, bay, estuary, or navigable river to which such notice should relate, or the part thereof therein specified should either entirely or in the respects therein mentioned as the case might require, be and remain as if that Act had not been passed :

And whereas the Harbour of Rosyth has become a Dockyard Port within the meaning of the Dockyard Ports Regulation Act, 1865, and by an Order in Council made in pursuance of that Act and dated the fourth day of March 1911, the limits of the Dockyard Port of Rosyth within the meaning of that Act were defined for the purpose of that Act as follows, viz. :—

All the waters, bays, creeks, and rivers so far as the tide flows, excepting the Harbours

of Charlestown, South Queensferry, Port Edgar, and Inverkeithing, lying between the lines drawn as follows :—

On the East by a line drawn South (true) through the South Point of Carron Harbour in the county of Fife to the South Shore of the Forth.

On the West by a line drawn North (true) through Carriden House to the North Shore of the Forth.

And whereas it appears to the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty that the interests of His Majesty's Naval Service require that the Dockyard Port of Rosyth as defined by the above Order in Council should be entirely excepted out of the operation of section 8 of the Harbours Transfer Act, 1862.

Now therefore, the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty do by this writing, in pursuance of the Harbours Transfer Act, 1862, and by virtue and in exercise of the powers thereby vested in them, and of every other power enabling them in this behalf, give you, the Lords of the Committee of His Majesty's Most Honourable Privy Council, appointed for the consideration of matters relating to trade and foreign plantations, notice,

That the Dockyard Port of Rosyth as defined by the said Order in Council is to be deemed entirely excepted out of the operation of section 8 of the Harbours Transfer Act, 1862. Provided always and it is hereby expressly declared by the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty that nothing in this notice shall be deemed to affect any estate, right, title, interest, prerogative, royalty, jurisdiction, or authority of or belonging to His Majesty the King, His heirs or successors, in right of His Office of Admiral, or to affect any right, duty, power, jurisdiction, or authority vested in or performed or exercised by or capable of being performed or exercised by the Lord High Admiral of the United Kingdom or the Commissioners for executing his office, otherwise than under or by virtue of any such provisions as aforesaid contained (either expressly or by incorporation or reference or otherwise) in any such special or local or local and personal Act or Acts of a local or local and personal nature (passed before the end of the present session of Parliament) as in section 8 of the Harbours Transfer Act, 1862, is described, it being the true intent and object of this notice only to limit the operation of that section in pursuance of the power in that behalf reserved to the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty in and by section 9 of the same Act, and not in anywise to abandon, abridge, restrict, or define any right, duty, power, jurisdiction, or authority belonging or attaching to the Lord High Admiral of the United Kingdom or the Commissioners for executing his office independently of any such provisions as aforesaid, all which rights, duties, powers, jurisdictions, and authorities it is hereby expressly declared shall remain and be in all respects and to all intents and purposes whatsoever as if this notice had not been given.

Dated this sixteenth day of August one thousand nine hundred and eleven.

(Sgd.) G. LE C. EGERTON,

(Sgd.) C. E. MADDEN,

Two of the Commissioners for executing the Office of Lord High Admiral of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland.