

practical effect by explosion, or a pyrotechnic effect, and to include, amongst other things, every adaptation or preparation of an explosive as above defined.

And whereas it is enacted by the said Act that Her Majesty may, by Order in Council, declare that any substance which appears to Her Majesty to be specially dangerous to life or property by reason either of its explosive properties, or of any process in the manufacture thereof being liable to explosion shall be deemed to be an explosive within the meaning of the said Act, and the provisions of the said Act (subject to such exceptions, limitations and restrictions as may be specified in the Order) shall accordingly extend to any such substance in like manner as if it were included in the term "explosive" in the said Act.

And whereas when picric acid, and picrates and mixtures of picric acid with other substances are manufactured or used with a view to producing a practical effect by explosion, or a pyrotechnic effect, such picric acid, picrates, and mixtures fall within the definition of "explosive" above set forth, and are subject to the provisions of the said Act.

And whereas such picric acid, picrates and mixtures when manufactured or used for any other purpose than to produce a practical effect by explosion, or a pyrotechnic effect, do not fall within the said definition of "explosive."

And whereas it appears to Her Majesty, by and with the advice of Her Most Honourable Privy Council, that picric acid, picrates and mixtures of picric acid with certain other substances are, under certain conditions, specially dangerous to life and property by reason of their explosive properties.

Now therefore Her Majesty is pleased, by and with the advice of Her Privy Council, to order and declare, and be it ordered and declared as follows:—

(1.) Picric acid when in process of manufacture or storage shall (for whatever purpose used or manufactured) be deemed to be an explosive within the meaning of the said Act for all the purposes of the said Act, subject to the exceptions following:—

(a.) Picric acid when wholly in solution shall be exempt from being deemed to be an explosive within the said Act; and

(b.) Picric acid which does not fall within the exemption (a) above set forth, but which is being manufactured or stored in a factory, building or place exclusively appropriated to the manufacture or storage of picric acid, and in such manner as effectually to prevent any picric acid from coming into contact (whether under the action of fire, or otherwise) with any basic metallic oxide or oxidising agent, or other substance capable of forming with picric acid an explosive mixture or explosive compound, or with any detonator or other article capable of exploding picric acid, or with any fire or light capable of igniting picric acid, shall be exempt from being deemed to be an explosive within the said Act.

(2.) Picrates and mixtures of picric acid with any basic metallic oxide, or any oxydising agent, or with any other substance capable of forming with picric acid an explosive mixture, or an explosive compound (for whatever purpose used or manufactured) shall be deemed to be an explosive, within the meaning of the said Act, for all the purposes of the said Act unless such picrates or mixtures be wholly in solution.

C. L. Peel.

At the Court at *Osborne House, Isle of Wight*, the 29th day of *December*, 1887.

PRESENT,

The QUEEN'S Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

WHEREAS by "The Thames Conservancy Act, 1857," it is enacted that the Conservators of the River Thames shall have power and authority, from time to time, to make Bye-laws for the regulation, management, and improvement of the River Thames and the navigation thereof, in the manner thereby provided, and to impose penalties, not exceeding five pounds, for the breach or non-performance of such Bye-laws:

And whereas by the thirty-first section of "The Thames Conservancy Act, 1864," it is enacted that Bye-laws made under the authority of either of the said recited Acts shall not have any force unless and until they are allowed by Order of Her Majesty in Council:

And whereas the said Conservators have, in exercise of the powers conferred upon them by the said recited Acts, made and submitted for the allowance of Her Majesty in Council certain rules and Bye-laws for the regulation, management, and improvement of the navigation of the River Thames, and amongst others certain Bye-laws which have been allowed by Order in Council dated the eighteenth day of March, one thousand eight hundred and eighty:

And whereas it has been deemed expedient by the said Conservators to repeal in part the said last-mentioned Bye-laws, and to make new Bye-laws in lieu of the portions so repealed in the manner set forth in the schedule hereunto annexed.

And whereas the said new Bye-laws have been duly published in accordance with the said recited Acts, and it has been made to appear to Her Majesty that the said new Bye-laws are reasonable and proper:

Now, therefore, Her Majesty, by virtue of the power vested in Her by "The Thames Conservancy Act, 1864," and of every other power enabling Her in that behalf, by and with the advice of Her Privy Council, is pleased to allow the said Bye-laws.

C. L. Peel.

SCHEDULE referred to in the above Order.
BYE-LAWS for the Amendment of the Bye-laws for the Regulation, Management, and Improvement of the Navigation of the River Thames, allowed by the Queen's Most Excellent Majesty in Council on the 18th day of March, 1880.

THE Conservators of the River Thames in exercise of the power and authority vested in them by the Thames Acts, 1857 to 1883, and of every other authority them thereunto in anywise enabling, do order and direct as follows, that is to say:—

From and after the day when these Bye-laws shall be allowed by the Queen's Most Excellent Majesty in Council, Bye-laws 17, 18, and 19 of the Bye-laws for the regulation management and improvement of the navigation of the River Thames allowed by Her Majesty in Council on the 18th day of March 1880 including the words "steam whistle signals" immediately preceding such Bye-law 17 shall be and the same are hereby repealed and the said Bye-laws of the 18th day of March 1880 shall have effect and be construed as if the following Bye-laws had been inserted therein in lieu of such repealed Bye-laws, and the following Bye-laws shall have effect and be construed accordingly and shall be taken to have been numbered as the same are hereafter numbered and the words "Bye-laws and Rules