

day of July, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-three.

4. This Order may be amended or added to or repealed by Order in Council. *C. L. Peel.*

AT the Court at *Balmoral*, the 13th day of *October*, 1897.

PRESENT,

The QUEEN's Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

HER Majesty was this day pleased, by and with the advice of Her Privy Council, in pursuance of the provisions contained in the seventh section of the Act forty-nine and fifty Victoria, chapter forty-eight, to nominate David Caldwell McVail, Esquire, M.B., Physician to the Royal Infirmary, Glasgow, to be, for a further period of five years, from the twenty-eighth day of October, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven, a Member of the General Council of Medical Education and Registration of the United Kingdom, for Scotland.

C. L. Peel.

AT the Court at *Balmoral*, the 13th day of *October*, 1897.

PRESENT,

The QUEEN's Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

WHEREAS by an Order in Council dated the ninth day of May one thousand eight hundred and ninety-two, and expressed to be made in pursuance of "The Merchant Shipping Act Amendment Act, 1862," and by an Order in Council dated the thirteenth day of August, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-five, and expressed to be made in pursuance of "The Merchant Shipping Act, 1894," Her Majesty, on the application of the Mersey Docks and Harbour Board, being the Harbour Trust or Body Corporate owning or exercising jurisdiction upon the waters of the River Mersey, was pleased to make certain rules set forth in the Schedules to such Orders, concerning the lights or signals to be carried, and concerning the steps for avoiding collision to be taken by vessels navigating the River Mersey.

And whereas by "The Mersey Channels Act, 1897," it is provided that the powers conferred upon Her Majesty in Council by section four hundred and twenty-one, sub-section (2) of "The Merchant Shipping Act, 1894," shall extend to and include the power to make rules concerning lights and signals to be carried, or the steps for avoiding collision to be taken by vessels navigating the sea channels or approaches to the River Mersey between the Rock Lighthouse and the furthest point seawards to which such sea channels or approaches respectively, are for the time being buoyed on both sides, and that the said Act now in recital shall come into operation on the first day of August, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven.

And whereas the said Mersey Docks and Harbour Board have applied to Her Majesty in Council to make, and have submitted for approval, certain new rules concerning lights and signals to be carried, and the steps for avoiding collision to be taken by vessels navigating the River Mersey and the sea channels or approaches thereto within certain specified limits, to be substituted for and in lieu of the rules set forth in the Schedules to the said recited Orders in Council of the ninth day of May, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-two, and the thirteenth day of August, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-five, and

in such, new rules there are embodied, subject to certain exceptions and additions therein mentioned, the regulations for preventing collisions at sea made in pursuance of "The Merchant Shipping Act, 1894," and which may from time to time be in force.

And whereas Her Majesty was pleased, by and with the advice of Her Privy Council, on the third day of August, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven, to approve the said new rules to come into operation on the sixteenth day of August, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven, as *Provisional Rules* within the meaning of the "Rules Publication Act, 1893."

And whereas the provisions of section one of the "Rules Publication Act, 1893" have been complied with.

And whereas the new rules so submitted as aforesaid appear to be reasonable and proper.

Now, therefore, Her Majesty, by virtue of the powers in Her vested by "The Merchant Shipping Act, 1894," and by "The Mersey Channels Act, 1897," and of any other powers Her thereunto enabling, and by and with the advice of Her Privy Council, is pleased to declare that the said Orders in Council of the ninth day of May, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-two, and the thirteenth day of August, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-five, shall as from the sixteenth day of August, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven, be revoked and Her Majesty is further pleased to make the rules set forth in the Schedule hereto, and to direct that the same shall continue in operation as from the said sixteenth day of August one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven.

C. L. Peel.

SCHEDULE.

RULES concerning the Lights or Signals to be carried and concerning the steps for avoiding collision to be taken by vessels navigating the River Mersey and the Sea Channels or approaches thereto, between the Rock Lighthouse and the furthest point seawards to which such Sea Channels or approaches respectively are for the time being buoyed on both sides.

1. Every vessel, including river craft, in any part of the River Mersey, or in the Sea Channels, or approaches thereto as above defined shall, on and after the sixteenth day of August, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven, observe and obey the "Regulations for preventing Collisions at Sea" made in pursuance of "The Merchant Shipping Act, 1894," hereinafter called the "General Regulations," and which may from time to time be in force, with the exceptions and additions mentioned in the following Rules.*

2. A vessel when lying at any stage shall carry the lights prescribed by Articles 2 and 5 of the General Regulations and Rule 5 hereof.

3. Canal flats and all other vessels with or without masts, whilst being towed, shall carry the lights prescribed for sailing vessels by article five of the General Regulations.

4. A steam vessel, when towing another vessel, shall, in addition to the compulsory lights prescribed by article three of the General Regulations, carry a small white light abaft the funnel or aftermast for the vessel towed to steer by but such light shall not be visible forward of the beam.

5. In lieu of Article 10 of the General Regulations a vessel under way (except as hereafter by this rule provided), shall carry at her stern a white light. The light shall be fixed and carried

* NOTE.—The numbers quoted in these Rules refer to the Articles in the General Regulations made on the 27th of November 1896.