

At the Court at *Buckingham Palace*, the 19th day of *December*, 1913.

PRESENT,

The KING's Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

WHEREAS by the Dockyard Ports Regulation Act, 1865, it is enacted that it shall be lawful for His Majesty in Council from time to time, by Order in Council, to define the limits of a Dockyard Port for the purposes of that Act, and to make regulations in relation to any Dockyard Port for all or any of the purposes in the said Act particularly mentioned, and for such other purposes as from time to time seem necessary, with a view to the proper protection of His Majesty's vessels, dockyards, or property, or to the requirements of His Majesty's Naval Service:

And whereas by the same Act it is also enacted that in relation to any Dockyard Port it shall be lawful for His Majesty in Council from time to time, by Order in Council, on the joint recommendation of the Admiralty and the Board of Trade, to make rules concerning the lights or signals to be carried or used, and the steps for avoiding collisions to be taken by His Majesty's vessels and other vessels navigating the waters of the Port and of the approaches thereto:

And whereas Cromarty Firth is a "Dockyard Port" within the meaning of the said Act:

And whereas it appears expedient to the requirements of His Majesty's Naval Service that the limits of the Dockyard Port of Cromarty should be defined:

And whereas the provisions of section 1 of the Rules Publication Act, 1893, have been complied with:

Now, therefore, His Majesty, by virtue of the powers in this behalf by the said Act or otherwise in Him vested, and so far as regards the rules contained in the Second Schedule hereto, on the joint recommendation of the Admiralty and the Board of Trade, is pleased, by and with the advice of His Privy Council, to order, and it is hereby ordered, as follows:—

PRELIMINARY.

1. This Order shall take effect from one calendar month from the date hereof.

2. The terms used in this Order shall have the same meaning as in the said Dockyard Ports Regulation Act.

DESCRIPTION OF LIMITS.

Dockyard Port of Cromarty.

3. For the purposes of the said Act and of this Order the term "Dockyard Port of Cromarty" shall mean all the waters of Cromarty Firth, including all the bays, creeks, lakes, pools and rivers, so far as the tide flows, and the waters of Moray Firth, including all the bays, creeks, lakes, pools and rivers so far as the tide flows on the inner or landward side of the following limits:—

On the North a straight line drawn from the rock which dries 6 feet situated about 45 miles 190° (S. 29° W. magnetic) from Port an Righ to a position in Lat. 57° 42' 30" N., Long. 3° 52' W.

On the East a straight line drawn from a position Lat. 57° 42' 30" N., Long. 3° 52' W. to a position Lat. 57° 38' N., Long. 3° 57' W.

On the South so much of a straight line drawn from Navy Chimney to a position in Lat. 57° 38' N., Long. 3° 57' W. as lies to seaward of the coast.

DELINEATION OF LIMITS.

4. On the chart accompanying this Order are marked all the limits referred to therein.

PENALTIES.

5. Any infringement of the regulations contained in the First Schedule appended hereto shall render the person infringing liable to the penalty prescribed in clause 20 of the said schedule.

LOCAL AUTHORITIES.

6. Nothing in this Order shall affect the authority of the Trustees for Cromarty Harbour or of the Proprietors of the Harbour at Invergordon under the respective Acts of Parliament relative thereto, but the regulations and rules contained in this Order shall be observed in the areas under the management of the above-mentioned authorities so far as they relate to those areas.

Almeric FitzRoy.

FIRST SCHEDULE.

REGULATIONS FOR THE PROTECTION OF THE DOCKYARD PORT OF CROMARTY AND OF HIS MAJESTY'S PROPERTY THEREIN, AND FOR ANCHORING, BERTHING, MOORING AND BREACING IN THAT PORT.

1. All merchant or other private vessels shall be subject to the direction of the King's Harbour Master.

2. Moorings for His Majesty's vessels, mark buoys, and other aids to navigation, and such other buoys as may be required for any purpose in connection with naval or military operations, may be placed by the King's Harbour Master in such positions as he may from time to time consider the requirements of His Majesty's Service demand.

3. No person shall lay moorings for private vessels in the Dockyard Port without the permission in writing of the King's Harbour Master, and all such moorings shall be in such positions as the King's Harbour Master shall deem fit, and shall be forthwith removed on the requisition of the King's Harbour Master to that effect.

4. If at any time the anchor of any merchant or other private vessel hooks any Government moorings, or any electric cables or moorings of buoys, the master of such vessel shall not proceed to unhook the same, but shall forthwith give notice thereof to the King's Harbour Master, in order that aid may be given for clearing such moorings or cables without doing damage to the same.

5. No merchant or other private vessel of above five tons, compelled or allowed to anchor in or near any of the navigable channels of the Dockyard Port, shall be left at any time without a shipkeeper.

6. No boats are to approach within 100 feet of any Government establishment, afloat or