

do prepare a Warrant for His Majesty's Royal Signature accordingly, under the provisions of an Act passed in the forty-eighth and forty-ninth years of the reign of Her late Majesty Queen Victoria, intituled "An Act for appointing a Secretary for Scotland, and Vice-President of the Scotch Education Department."

Almeric FitzRoy.

At the Court at *Buckingham Palace*, the 12th day of *July*, 1916.

PRESENT,

The KING's Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

HIS MAJESTY in Council was this day pleased to appoint the Right Honourable David Alexander Edward, Earl of Crawford, President of the Board of Agriculture and Fisheries.

Almeric FitzRoy.

At the Court at *Buckingham Palace*, the 12th day of *July*, 1916.

PRESENT,

The KING's Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

WHEREAS by an Order in Council dated the twenty-eighth day of November nineteen hundred and fourteen, His Majesty was pleased to make Regulations (called the "Defence of the Realm (Consolidation) Regulations, 1914") under the Defence of the Realm Consolidation Act, 1914, for securing the public safety and the defence of the realm:

And whereas the said Act has been amended by the Defence of the Realm (Amendment) Act, 1915, the Defence of the Realm (Amendment) (No. 2) Act, 1915, and the Munitions of War Act, 1915:

And whereas the said Regulations have been amended by various subsequent Orders in Council:

And whereas it is expedient further to amend the said Regulations in manner hereinafter appearing:

Now, therefore, His Majesty is pleased, by and with the advice of His Privy Council, to order, and it is hereby ordered, that the following amendments be made in the said Regulations:

1. After regulation 8d the following regulations shall be inserted:—

"8e. It shall be lawful for the Minister of Munitions by order to regulate or restrict the carrying on of building and construction work as hereinafter defined, and by such order to prohibit, subject to such exceptions as may be contained in the order, the carrying on of such work without a licence from the Minister.

"Provided that where a first application for a licence under any order has been made and is pending for the carrying on of work which has already been commenced at the date when such licence first became necessary, nothing in the order shall prohibit the carrying on of the work until the licence has been refused.

"If any person affected by any such order contravenes or fails to comply with the provisions thereof, or if any person for the purpose of obtaining such a licence as aforesaid makes

any false statement or false representation he shall be guilty of a summary offence against these regulations.

"For the purposes of this regulation the expression 'building and construction work' means the construction, alteration, repair, decoration, or demolition of buildings, and the construction, reconstruction, or alteration of railways, docks, harbours, canals, embankments, bridges, tunnels, piers, and other works of construction or engineering."

"8f. If any person, who is under a contract to supply motor spirit, refrains, on the request of the Board of Trade, or any person authorised for that purpose by the Board of Trade, from delivering motor spirit in accordance with his contract, that person shall not be liable to any action or proceedings taken against him in respect of the non-fulfilment of his contract so far as it is due to compliance with that request.

"In this regulation, the expression 'motor spirit' has the same meaning as in Part VI. of the Finance (1909-10) Act, 1910."

2. After regulation 12B the following regulation shall be inserted:—

"12c. The competent naval or military authority may by order prohibit the use of sound signals of such class or description, between such hours, within such area, and during such period, as may be specified in the order, and any person using such a sound signal in contravention of such an order shall be guilty of a summary offence against these regulations."

3. After regulation 33 the following regulation shall be inserted:—

"33A. In any area specified in an order made by the competent naval or military authority, and subject to any general or special exceptions contained in such order, it shall not be lawful for any person to carry any firearms or military arms, and if any person within such area without a permit from the competent naval or military authority or from a person authorised by him for the purpose, carries any firearms or military arms in contravention of this provision, he shall be guilty of an offence against these regulations."

4. After regulation 45A the following regulation shall be inserted:—

"45B. Every man who holds a certificate of exemption from military service granted otherwise than under the Military Service Acts, 1916, shall, if required by a constable or by any person who has authority for the purpose from the Army Council, produce his certificate or give particulars as to the authority by which his certificate was granted and the grounds on which it was granted.

"If any man fails to comply with this regulation or gives particulars which are false in any material respect, he shall be guilty of a summary offence against these regulations."

Almeric FitzRoy.

At the Court at *Buckingham Palace*, the 12th day of *July*, 1916.

PRESENT,

The KING's Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

WHEREAS in pursuance of the Bishops Resignation Act, 1869, a Representation has been made to His Majesty by the Right