March, 1918, by Order of the Director-General of National Service, dated the twentieth day of December, 1917:

And whereas the Director-General of National Service is of opinion that it is expedient to postpone for a further period the operation of the said Order as respects Ireland:

The Director-General of National Service hereby Orders that the operation of the Ministry of National Service Order, 1917, shall be further postponed as respects Ireland until the first day of May, 1918.

Dated this twentieth day of February, 1918.

A. C. Geddes,

Director-General of National Service.

ADMIRALTY NOTICE TO MARINERS. No. 266 of the year 1918.

SCOTLAND, EAST COAST.

Firth of Tay—Payment of Landing Fee by Pilots.

Former Notice.—No. 858 of 1917; hereby cancelled.

Notice is hereby given that, under the Defence of the Realm Regulations, the following Regulation has been made by the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty, and is now in

A landing fee shall be paid by every Pilot landed from the Drifter or other vessel which is provided by the Admiralty for the purpose of conveying Pilots to or from the Pilotage station in the River Tay. The Pilot is hereby authorised to recover this fee from the Master, Owner or Agent of each vessel piloted.

The fee will vary with the size of the vessel piloted, according to the following scale:-

For Coasting vessels, all sizes, £1. For Overseas vessels:—

Under 500 tons gross, £2. Over 500 tons gross, £3. Over 1,000 tons gross, £4.

Caution.

This Admiralty Notice to Mariners is issued under the provisions of the Defence of the Realm Regulations, and failure to comply strictly with the directions contained in it wil constitute an offence against those Regulations.

Any person found guilty of such an offence is liable to severe penalties both of imprisonment and fine.

Any person aiding or abetting the commission of such an offence is himself guilty of an offence against the Regulations.

Attention is also drawn to the fact that any infringement of the directions contained in this Admiralty Notice to Mariners is liable to result in the detention of the ship or vessel.

Authority.—The Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty.

By Command of their Lordships,

J. F. PARRY,

Hydrographer of the Navy.

Admiralty, London, 19th February, 1918.

ADMIRALTY

NOTICE TO MARINERS.

No. 263 of the year 1918.

SCOTLAND, EAST COAST.

Moray Firth-Prohibited Anchorage.

(1) Burghead:

Position.—Burghead coastguard station, lat. 57° 42½′ N., long. 3° 29½′ W.

Details.—Vessels are prohibited from anchoring off Burghead between a line drawn 353° (N. 11° E. Mag.) from the coastguard station flagstaff and a line drawn 308° (N. 34° W. Mag.), from the flagstaff in Burghead bay, situated $1\frac{3}{10}$ miles southward of the town.

(2) Helmsdale:

Position.—Helmsdale coastguard station,. lat. 58° 063′ N., long. 3° 381′ W.

prohibited Details.—Vessels are anchoring off Helmsdale between a line drawn 140° (S. 22° E. Mag.) from the coastguard station flagstaff and a line drawn 185° (\check{S} . 23° W. Mag.), from Port Gower, situated 13 miles south-westward from Helmsdale coastguard: station.

Variation.—18° W.

Charts Affected.

No. 3547, Logie head to Tarbet ness (with plan of Burghead) (1).

No. 1823, Banff to Dunbeath harbour.

No. 115, Peterhead to Pentland firth.

Publication .- North Sea Pilot, Part II., 1914, pages 86, 120.

Authority.-Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty.

By Command of their Lordships,

J. F. PARRY,

Hydrographer of the Navy.

Admiralty, London, 19th February 1918.

SPECIAL ACTS (EXTENSION OF TIME) ACT, 1915.

Y virtue and in exercise of the powers Conferred upon them by the Special Acts (Extension of Time) Act, 1915, the Board of Trade hereby Order that the time limited (1) by section 12 of the London and North Western Railway (Dyserth and New-market Light Railway) Order, 1915, for the completion of the Railway authorised by that Order, and (2) by their Order dated the 3rd day of February, 1917, under the aforesaid Act of 1915, for the exercise of the powers for the compulsory purchase of lands for the construction of the said Railway shall be extended for one year from the 20th day of February,

Dated this 11th day of February, 1918.

Ernest G. Moggridge,

An Assistant Secretary,. Board of Trade.