desirable to declare the date which is to be treated as the date of the termination of war with Austria before declaring the date which is to be treated as the date of the termination of the present war:

Now, therefore, His Majesty, by and with the advice of His Privy Council, is pleased to order, and it is hereby ordered, that the said sixteenth day of July shall be treated as the date of the termination of war between His Majesty and Austria.

Almeric FitzRoy.

At the Court at Buckingham Palace, the 22nd day of July, 1920.

PRESENT.

The KING's Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

WHEREAS it is provided by the Ministry of Transport Act, 1919, that, as from such date or dates as His Majesty in Council may by Order determine, there shall be transferred to the Minister of Transport all powers and duties of any Government Department in relation to—

(a) Railways,

(b) Light Railways,

(c) Tramways,

(d) Canals, Waterways and Inland Navigations,

(c) Roads, Bridges and Ferries, and Vehicles and Traffic thereon,

(f) Harbours, Docks and Piers:

And whereas it is further provided by the said Act that His Majesty may by Order make such incidental, consequential, and supplemental provisions as may be necessary or expedient for the purpose of giving full effect to any transfer of powers or duties as aforesaid, including provisions for the transfer of any property, rights and liabilities held, enjoyed, or incurred by any Government Department in connection with any powers or duties transferred:

And whereas it is further provided by the said Act that for the purposes thereof "Government Department" includes (amongst others) the Commissioners of the Caledonian Canal:

Now, therefore, His Majesty is pleased, by and with the advice of His Privy Council, to order, and it is hereby ordered, as follows:—

- 1. This Order may be cited as "The Ministry of Transport (Commissioners of the Caledonian Canal Transfer of Powers and Property) Order, 1920."
- 2. The date as from which the powers and duties in relation to the matters aforesaid of the Commissioners of the Caledonian Canal are transferred to the Minister of Transport shall be the 15th day of August, 1920.
- 3. As from that date all the property, rights and liabilities held, enjoyed, or incurred by the said Commissioners shall be transferred to and vested in the Minister of Transport and such rights and liabilities shall be exercisable by or enforceable against the Minister of Transport in like manner as they would have been by or against the Commissioners if this Order had not been made.

Almeric FitzRoy.

At the Court at Buckingham Palace, the 22nd day of July, 1920.

PRESENT,

The KING's Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

HEREAS by Section 5 of the Merchant Shipping (Mercantile Marine Fund) Act, 1898, it is, amongst other things, enacted as follows:—

"5.—(1) On and after the commencement of this Act, the general lighthouse authorities shall levy light dues with respect to the voyages made by ships or by way of periodical payment, and not with respect to the lights which a ship passes or from which it derives benefit, and the dues so levied shall take the place of the dues now levied by those authorities.

"(2) The scale and rules set out in the Second Schedule to this Act shall have effect for the purpose of the levying of light dues in pursuance of this Act, but Her Majesty may, by Order in Council, alter, either generally or with respect to particular classes of cases, the scale or rules and the exemptions therefrom."

And whereas by divers Orders in Council the said Scale was altered by reducing each of the dues thereby authorized to be levied by the respective amounts referred to in the respective Orders in Council, but by Order in Council dated the 30th March, 1916, the respective Orders in Council referred to were repealed for the purpose of once more giving full effect to the Scale and Rules set out in the Second Schedule to the Act above referred to:

And whereas by Order in Council dated the 30th day of July, 1919, it was provided that each of the dues authorized to be levied by the said Scale should, as from the 1st day of January, 1919, be subject to an increase of Forty per cent. beyond the amount of the dues specified in the said Scale:

And whereas it has been made to appear to His Majesty that the Scale and Rules set out in the said Second Schedule should be further altered in manner hereinafter appearing:

Now, therefore, His Majesty, in exercise of the powers conferred upon Him by the hereinbefore recited Section, and by and with the advice of His Privy Council, doth order, and it is hereby ordered, that each of the dues authorized to be levied by the said Scale shall, as from the 1st day of April, 1920, be subject to an increase of One Hundred per cent. beyond the amount of the dues specified in the said Scale in lieu of the increase of Forty per cent. mentioned in the said Order in Council dated the 30th day of July, 1919, and the said dues as so further increased shall be levied and the Rules construed accordingly.

Almeric FitzRoy.

At the Court at Buckingham Palace, the 22nd day of July, 1920.

PRESENT,

The KING's Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

WHEREAS the Right Honourable William, Baron Sterndale, Master of the Rolls, has, in exercise of the power conferred upon him by the first Section of the Public