

At the Court at Buckingham Palace, the 29th day of April 1915.

PRESENT,

The KING's Most Excellent Majesty.

Lord President.
Viscount Knollys.
Lord Chamberlain.
Sir Maurice de Bunsen.
Lord Justice Warrington.

WHEREAS a state of war exists between His Majesty and the German Emperor, the Emperor of Austria King of Hungary, and the Sultan of Turkey :

And whereas His Majesty holds it to be His Prerogative Duty as well as His Prerogative Right to take all steps necessary for the Defence and Protection of the Realm :

And whereas it has been made to appear to His Majesty that it is essential to the Defence and Protection of the Realm that in the exercise of His Prerogatives as aforesaid He should cause the whole of the insulated spaces in the British steamships usually engaged in trading between any port or ports in the Argentine Republic or the Republic of Uruguay, and any port or ports in the United Kingdom and the Continent of Europe, being British steamships owned by the several Companies or Corporations named in the First Schedule hereto, or British steamships of which the individuals named in the Second Schedule hereto are the Managing Owners or Joint Managing Owners, to be requisitioned for the carriage of refrigerated produce from any port or ports in the Argentine Republic or in the Republic of Uruguay :

Now, therefore, His Majesty is pleased, by and with the advice of His Privy Council, and in the exercise of His Prerogatives as aforesaid, and of all other powers Him thereunto enabling, to order, and it is hereby ordered, that the whole of the insulated spaces in the aforesaid British steamships usually engaged in trading between any port or ports in the Argentine Republic or in the Republic of Uruguay, respectively, and any port or ports in the United Kingdom or in the Continent of Europe, shall be, and is hereby, until further ordered, requisitioned by and on behalf of His Majesty for the carriage of such produce from any port or ports in the Argentine Republic or in the Republic of Uruguay :

And His Majesty is further pleased, by and with the advice aforesaid, to authorise and direct any one of His Principal Secretaries of State or the President of the Board of Trade, to give effect to this Order in the following way, that is to say :—By causing to be served Notice of Requisition on the Owner, Managing Owner, or Joint Managing Owners, and Charterer (if any) of any such steamship, and if the insulated space therein be owned separately from any such steamship then on the Owner of such insulated space in addition :

And His Majesty is further pleased, by and with the advice aforesaid, to declare that service

of Notice of Requisition on an Owner of any such steamship, or insulated space therein, or on the Managing Owner or Joint Managing Owners of any such steamship, shall be deemed sufficient and effective if served, in the case of an individual Owner or Managing Owner, by being addressed to such individual Owner or Managing Owner, and left at his registered address, or last-known place of business or abode, and in the case of Joint Owners or Joint Managing Owners by being addressed to such Joint Owners or Joint Managing Owners, and left at the registered address, or last-known business addresses or places of abode of such Joint Owners or Joint Managing Owners, and in the case of a Company or Corporation by being addressed to such Company or Corporation, and left at the registered or other address of such Company or Corporation, or in the case of an Owner or Owners (whether individuals, Companies or Corporations) of a steamship, by being addressed to the Managing Owner ship's husband, or other the person to whom the management of the ship is by law entrusted by or on behalf of the Owner or Owners, at the registered or other last-known address or place of abode of such Managing Owner ship's husband, or other such person as the case may be, and that service of Notice of Requisition on the Charterer (if any) of any such steamship shall be deemed sufficient and effective if effected as regards such Charterer in manner similar to that prescribed for service on an Owner :

And His Majesty is further pleased, by and with the advice aforesaid, to declare that any Notice of Requisition which a Secretary of State or the President of the Board of Trade may respectively cause to be served hereunder may be signed by any person from time to time authorised for such purpose either generally or specially by any such Secretary of State or President of the Board of Trade as the case may be.

ALMERIC FITZROY.

FIRST SCHEDULE.

The Royal Mail Steam Packet Company.
The Imperial Direct Line, Limited.
The Houlder Line, Limited.
The Bollington Grange Steamship Company, Limited.
The British and Argentine Steam Navigation Company, Limited.
The Argentine Cargo Line, Limited.
The British and South American Steam Navigation Company, Limited.
The Glasgow Steam Shipping Company, Limited.
The Star Line, Limited.
The Zermatt Steamship Company, Limited.
The Zinal Steamship Company, Limited.
The Broderick Steamship Company, Limited.