ceeding 500 tons gross tonnage registered in the United Kingdom from one foreign port to another, unless exempted by licence:

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 prohibit as from and after the First day of March 1916, any British steamship registered in the United Kingdom exceeding 500 tons gross tonnage, except steamships engaged in the coasting trade of the United Kingdom, from proceeding on any voyage unless the owner or charterer of such steamship has been granted a licence as hereinafter provided:

Now, therefore, His Majesty is pleased, by and with the advice of His Privy Council, and in exercise of His Prerogatives as aforesaid and of all other powers Him thereunto enabling, to order and it is hereby ordered that, from and after the First day of March 1916, no British steamship registered in the United Kingdom exceeding 500 tons gross tonnage, except steamships engaged in the coasting trade of the United Kingdom, shall proceed on any voyage, unless a licence to do so has been granted to or in favour of the owner or charterer of such steamship by the Licensing Committee appointed by the President of the Board of Trade under the provisions of the aforesaid Order in Council of November 10th, 1915, which licence may be general in reference to classes of ships or their voyages or special.

And the President of the Board of Trade is to act and give instructions and directions accordingly.

ALMERIC FITZROY.

At the Court at Buckingham Palace, the 15th day of February 1916.

PRESENT,

The KING's Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

WHEREAS by paragraph 5 of the Second Schedule to the Military Service Act, 1916, His Majesty may, by Order in Council, make regulations with respect to the constitution, functions, and procedure of the Local Tribunals, the Appeal Tribunals, and the Central Tribunal, to be established in accordance with the provisions of the Act:

And whereas by the Military Service (Regulations) Order, 1916, His Majesty was pleased to make Regulations regarding the matters aforesaid:

And whereas it is desirable to amend the said Order so far as it applies to Scotland in manner hereinafter provided:

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

Regulation No. 1 of Section I. of Part II. of the said Order shall so far as it applies to Scotland be amended by the addition at the end thereof of the following proviso:—

Provided that, subject as aforesaid, where in Scotland the sheriff-depute, or a sheriff-substitute, as the case may be, is appointed a member of an Appeal Tribunal, he shall ex officio be Chairman of the Tribunal.

ALMERIC FITZROY.

At the Court at Buckingham Palace, the 15th day of February 1916.

PRESENT,

The KING's Most Excellent Majesty in Council,

HEREAS there was this day read at the Board a Memorial from the Right Honourable the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty, dated the 8th day of February 1916, in the words following, viz.:—

"Whereas by Section 3 of the Naval and Marine Pay and Pensions Act, 1865, it is enacted, inter alia, that all pay, pensions, or other allowances in the nature thereof, payable in respect of services in Your Majesty's Naval or Marine Force to a person being or having been an Officer, Seaman, or Marine therein, shall be paid in such manner, and subject to such restrictions, conditions, and provisions, as are from time to time directed by Order in Council:

"And whereas by Order in Council of His late Majesty, bearing date the 15th February 1909, a Climate Allowance was granted for service in the Persian Gulf during the months of June, July, August, and September, at the following rates:—

3s. a day to each Commissioned Officer,

1s. a day to each Warrant Officer,

6d. a day to each of the rest of the Ship's Company:

"And whereas the discomforts inseparable from service in the vicinity of the Red Sea are certainly not less than those experienced in the Persian Gulf:

"We beg leave humbly to recommend that Your Majesty may be graciously pleased, by Your Order in Council, to sanction the payment of an Allowance at the same rates, and under the same conditions in regard to period of payment, in respect of service in Vessels continuously employed for more than 10 days in the Red Sea and Gulf of Aden (between the meridians of 33° and 50°) provided they are not merely passing through that area; payment to take effect from the 1st June 1915, and to be made in respect of all Ranks and Ratings other than men of colour.

"The Lords Commissioners of Your Majesty's Treasury have signified their concurrence in this proposal."

His Majesty, having taken the said Memorial into consideration, was pleased, by and with the advice of His Privy Council, to approve of what is therein proposed. And the Right Honourable the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty are to give the necessary directions herein accordingly.

ALMERIC FITZROY.

At the Court at Buckingham Palace, the 15th day of February 1916.

PRESENT,

The KING's Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

WHEREAS by Section 17 of the Navy and Marines (Property of Deceased) Act, 1865, it is enacted that His Majesty in Council may, from time to time, make such Orders in Council as seem meet for the better execution of any of the purposes of the said Act: