

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

*Aliens engaged on munitions work.*

1. The following Article shall be inserted after Article 22 of the Aliens Restriction (Consolidation) Order, 1916 :—

22A.—(1) An alien shall not undertake or perform munitions work, as defined in this Order, unless permission in writing has been obtained by him or on his behalf from the Minister of Munitions and is for the time being in force :

Provided that, subject as hereinafter provided with respect to identity books, an alien who was on the thirtieth day of March nineteen hundred and sixteen engaged on munitions work may continue to perform that work until either such permission as aforesaid is granted or notice is sent by the Minister of Munitions to him directly or through his employer that such permission cannot be granted.

(2) Without prejudice to the foregoing provisions of this Article, as from the first day of July nineteen hundred and sixteen an alien (wherever resident) shall not undertake or perform munitions work unless he has in his possession an identity book obtained in pursuance of Article 18B of this Order and duly filled in and attested.

(3) A person shall not employ any alien on munitions work if the alien is by this Order prohibited from undertaking or performing the work.

(4) A person shall not take any steps to obtain the services of aliens or any alien not in the United Kingdom for munitions work in the United Kingdom except with the permission in writing of the Minister of Munitions, and subject to such special or general conditions as the Minister may impose.

(5) After the thirtieth day of March nineteen hundred and sixteen a person shall not engage or take any steps to engage an alien who is in the United Kingdom for employment on munitions work except through a Board of Trade labour exchange.

(6) A person who on the thirtieth day of March nineteen hundred and sixteen is employing any alien on munitions work shall forthwith send notice of the fact to the Minister of Munitions, which notice shall state the name, nationality, sex, address, and age of the alien, and also such further particulars with respect to the alien as the Minister may require ; and where an alien who is employed on munitions work leaves or is about to leave such employment, his employer shall before he leaves, or within twenty-four hours after he leaves, as the case may be, send notice of the fact to the nearest Board of Trade labour exchange and to the Minister of Munitions, which notice shall state the same particulars as aforesaid.

(7) Where application is made by or on behalf of an alien for permission to undertake or perform munitions work the alien shall, if so required by the Minister of Munitions or the Board of Trade, attend for inquiry at such time and place as the Minister or Board may direct.

(8) The occupier of every establishment to which the provisions of section seven of the

Munitions of War Act, 1915, as amended by any subsequent enactment, are applied by order of the Minister of Munitions, shall, as soon as may be after the thirtieth day of March nineteen hundred and sixteen, take steps to bring to the notice of any aliens employed in the establishment the provisions of this Article.

(9) Any permission given by the Minister of Munitions to an alien under this Article may be made subject to such conditions as the Minister may think fit to impose on the alien to whom it was granted, and the Minister may also impose conditions on any person employing any alien on munitions work as to the manner in which the alien is to be employed, and any such alien or employer shall comply with any conditions so imposed.

Any permission given by the Minister of Munitions under this Article may be at any time revoked by the Minister.

2. The following paragraph shall be inserted in Article 31 of the Aliens Restriction (Consolidation) Order, 1916, immediately after the words " includes such manager ; " :—

" The expression ' munitions work ' means work in any establishment of a class to which the provisions of section seven of the Munitions of War Act, 1915, as amended by any subsequent enactment, are applied by order of the Minister of Munitions, whether or not the work is munitions work as defined by section nine of the Munitions of War (Amendment) Act, 1916 ; ".

ALMERIC FITZROY.

At the Court at Buckingham Palace, the 30th day of March 1916.

PRESENT,

The KING's Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

WHEREAS by the Declaration of London Order in Council No. 2, 1914, His Majesty was pleased to direct that during the present hostilities the provisions of the Convention known as the Declaration of London should, subject to certain omissions and modifications therein set out, be adopted and put in force by His Majesty's Government ; and

Whereas doubts have arisen as to the effect of Article 1 (iii) of the said Order in Council on the right to effect the capture of conditional contraband on board a vessel bound for a neutral port ; and

Whereas it is expedient to put an end to such doubts and otherwise to amend the said Order in Council in the manner hereinafter appearing ; and

Whereas by Article 19 of the said Declaration it is provided that whatever may be the ulterior destination of a vessel or of her cargo, she cannot be captured for breach of blockade if, at the moment, she is on her way to a non-blockaded port ; and

Whereas it is no longer expedient to adopt Article 19 of the said Declaration ;

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

1. The provisions of the Declaration of London