

in contravention of any of the provisions of this Order, or fails to observe or cause to be observed in any respect any of those provisions, he shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding ten pounds.

And the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty are to give the necessary directions herein accordingly.

*Arthur Helps.*

AT the Court at *Osborne House, Isle of Wight*, the 29th day of *February*, 1868.

PRESENT,

The QUEEN's Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

WHEREAS by "The Dockyard Ports Regulation Act, 1865," it is enacted (among other things) that it shall be lawful for Her Majesty in Council, from time to time, by Order in Council, to define the limits of a dockyard port for the purposes of that Act :

And whereas by the same Act it is also enacted that in relation to any dockyard port it shall be lawful for Her Majesty in Council, from time to time, by Order in Council, to make regulations for all or any of the purposes therein particularly mentioned, and for such other purposes as from time to time seem necessary, with a view to the proper protection of Her Majesty's vessels, dockyards, or property, or to the requirements of Her Majesty's naval service :

And whereas the harbour of Woolwich is a dockyard port within the meaning of the said Act :

Now, therefore, Her Majesty, by virtue of the powers in this behalf, by the said Act or otherwise in Her vested, is pleased, by and with the advice of Her Privy Council, to order, and it is hereby ordered, as follows :

1. This Order shall take effect on the expiration of thirty days from its publication in the London Gazette.

2. On this Order taking effect, all rules, orders, and regulations of the Admiralty relative to the matters comprised in this Order shall cease to operate.

3. Terms used in this Order have the same meaning as in the said Act.

4. No merchant or other private vessel (except such as are engaged in the service of the dockyard) shall be anchored between the dockyard and any of Her Majesty's vessels moored off the dockyard.

5. No merchant or other private vessel shall, without licence in writing from the Superintendent of the dockyard, be moored or fastened to any of Her Majesty's moorings, buoys, piles, or vessels at or near the dockyard, unless forced thereto by unavoidable accident.

6. If at any time any merchant or other private vessel hooks any of Her Majesty's moorings, the master of the vessel shall not proceed to unhook the same, but shall forthwith give notice to the Superintendent of the dockyard, in order that aid may be given for clearing the mooring without damage.

7. A merchant or other private paddle-wheel steamer, while passing within the following limits, namely, between the north-west angle of the dockyard near Charlton Pier, and the eastern or lower end of the dockyard wharf wall, shall not proceed at a rate exceeding five miles an hour over the ground.

8. The master of every merchant or other private vessel to which this Order relates shall

observe, and cause to be observed, the provisions of this Order as far as it relates to his vessel ; and if any master or other person acts in any respect in contravention of any of the provisions of this Order, or fails to observe, or cause to be observed, in any respect any of those provisions, he shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding ten pounds.

And the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty are to give the necessary directions herein accordingly.

*Arthur Helps.*

AT the Court at *Osborne House, Isle of Wight*, the 29th day of *February*, 1868.

PRESENT,

The QUEEN's Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

WHEREAS by "The Dockyard Ports Regulation Act, 1865," it is enacted (among other things) that it shall be lawful for Her Majesty in Council from time to time by Order in Council to define the limits of a Dockyard Port for the purposes of that Act.

And whereas by the same Act it is also enacted that in relation to any Dockyard Port it shall be lawful for Her Majesty in Council from time to time by Order in Council to make regulations for all or any of the purposes therein particularly mentioned, and for such other purposes as from time to time seem necessary with a view to the proper protection of Her Majesty's Vessels, Dockyards, or Property, or to the requirements of Her Majesty's Naval Service :

And whereas the Port of Chatham and Sheerness is a Dockyard Port within the meaning of the said Act :

Now, therefore, Her Majesty, by virtue of the powers in this behalf by the said Act or otherwise in Her vested, is pleased, by and with the advice of Her Privy Council, to order, and it is hereby ordered, as follows :—

1. This Order shall take effect on the expiration of thirty days from its publication in the London Gazette.

2. On this Order taking effect all rules, orders, and regulations of the Admiralty relative to the matters comprised in this Order shall cease to operate.

3. Terms used in this Order have the same meaning as in the said Act.

4. For the purposes of the said Act and this Order, the limits of the Dockyard Port of Chatham and Sheerness (in this Order called the Port) shall be deemed to be as follows, that is to say :—

From the Great Nore up the Medway as far as the tide flows, namely, to the first lock on that river situate between Aylesford Bridge and Allington Castle.

5. All merchant and other private vessels at Sheerness shall anchor only at the following place, namely :—

To the westward of an imaginary straight line drawn from a white beacon situate at the Boat House on Cockleshell Hard, Grain Island, to a black beacon on Fleet Marsh, on the opposite side of the river, which beacons lie nearly N.N.E. and S.S.W. (magnetic). which line is delineated on the chart annexed to this Order.

6. No merchant or other private vessel shall, without licence in writing from the Port Admiral,