

Council of the County of Inverness, I, the undersigned, His Majesty's Secretary for Scotland, do hereby make the following Order:—

1. The whole of the County of Inverness is hereby exempted from the operation of the Act of 1880, as to the undermentioned birds:—

All Gulls.

2. This Order may be cited as The Wild Birds Protection (County of Inverness) (No. 2) Order, 1917.

Given under my hand and seal at Whitehall, this 23rd day of March, 1917.

(L. S.)

Robert Munro,

His Majesty's Secretary for Scotland.

Scottish Office, Whitehall,
23rd March, 1917.

TRADING WITH THE ENEMY AMENDMENT ACT, 1916.

Orders have been made by the Board of Trade requiring the undermentioned businesses to be wound-up:—

430. Samuel Meggitt and Sons, Limited, Hamilton Road, Sutton-in-Ashfield, Nottingham. Makers of Glue, Gelatines, and Fertilisers. *Controller*: Robert B. Baggaley, Armitage Chambers, Victoria Street, Nottingham. 16 March, 1917.

431. Kayser and Co., 4, New London Street, London, E.C. Wine Merchants. *Controller*: Ernest Norton, 3 Crosby Square, London, E.C. 26 March, 1917.

*Board of Trade, Whitehall Gardens,
23rd March, 1917.*

The KING has been graciously pleased to confer the Decoration of the Albert Medal of the First Class upon Mr. Peter Thomson, Second Officer of the steamship "Polpedn," of London.

The following is an account of the services in respect of which the Decoration has been conferred:—

On the 14th November, 1916, the steamship "Polpedn," of London, was torpedoed in the English Channel, and rapidly began to sink.

The crew had just time to get into the starboard lifeboat and cut the painter, the steamer's bridge-deck being then level with the water line, when the lifeline was found to be fastly coiled round Mr. Thomson's leg.

Realising the danger of the boat being capsized, Mr. Thomson at once jumped overboard, thus freeing the boat, and allowing her to be pushed away as the vessel foundered.

While under water Mr. Thomson managed to free his leg from the lifeline, and he was afterwards picked up by those in the boat.

Mr. Thomson ran the greatest possible risk of losing his life, and by his self-sacrifice undoubtedly prevented serious loss of life.

*Board of Trade (Harbour Department),
London, 26th March, 1917.*

H. 7987/16.

The Board of Trade have received, through the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, a copy of a Telegram, dated 22nd March, from His Majesty's Minister at Havana, stating that the quarantine measures imposed on arrivals from Veracruz have been suspended.

*Board of Trade (Harbour Department),
London, 26th March, 1917.*

H. 8762/16.

The Board of Trade have received, through the Secretary for Foreign Affairs, a copy of a Telegram, dated 22nd March, from His Majesty's Minister at Havana, stating that the quarantine measures imposed on arrivals from Martinique have been suspended.

*Ministry of Munitions of War,
22nd March, 1917.*

ORDER.

In pursuance of the powers conferred upon him by Regulation 30 (A) of the Defence of the Realm Regulations, the Minister of Munitions hereby orders that the war material to which the regulation applies shall include war material of the following class, that is to say:—

WROUGHT-IRON SCRAP.

NOTICE OF ADDITION TO GENERAL PERMIT.
22nd March, 1917.

With reference to the above Order, the Minister of Munitions hereby gives notice that the General Permit of the 1st November, 1916, under the Orders of the 7th July and 31st October, 1916, shall henceforth take effect as if the war material referred to in the above Order were included in the Order of the 31st October, 1916, and the following material and prices were specified in the Schedule to the said General Permit, provided always that Condition 2 of the said General Permit shall not apply to any sale or purchase of the war material referred to in the above Order of this date under a contract in writing entered into prior to the date of this notice.

MAXIMUM PRICES ABOVE REFERRED TO FOR
WROUGHT-IRON SCRAP.

Per ton.
£ s. d.

- (a) Wrought iron plates and sectional material $\frac{3}{8}$ in. thick and over, each piece separate, reasonably clear of rivets, without any