

(a) No British ship, being a ship registered in the United Kingdom and being if a steamer of not less than five hundred tons gross tonnage and if a sailing ship of not less than one thousand tons gross tonnage, shall proceed to sea on any voyage whatsoever:

(b) No British ship whatsoever shall proceed to sea from any port in the United Kingdom:

(c) No ship whatsoever shall proceed to sea on a voyage from any port in the British Islands to any other port in the British Islands.

(2) A licence under this regulation may be granted in respect of ships of any class or voyages of any class or in respect of any special ship or any special voyage, and may be granted so as to be in force for any time and subject to any terms or conditions specified therein.

(3) If any ship obtains, or attempts to obtain, clearance outwards for the purpose of proceeding, or attempts to proceed, or proceeds, to sea in contravention of this regulation, or if in the case of any ship there is a failure to comply with any terms or conditions contained in a licence granted under this regulation in respect of that ship, the master thereof and the owner, or, if the ship is subject to a time charter, the charterer, thereof shall be guilty of an offence against these regulations, and if the ship is at the time of the commission of the offence, or is subsequently at any time found, at any port of, or within the territorial waters adjacent to, the United Kingdom it may be detained in the same manner as if it were a ship liable to be detained under the Merchant Shipping Acts, 1894 to 1916.

(4) In this regulation the expressions 'ship' and 'British ship' have the same meaning as in the Merchant Shipping Acts, 1894 to 1916, and the expression 'charterer' means the charterer at whose disposition the ship is for the time being held.

(5) This regulation shall come into force on the first day of February, nineteen hundred and eighteen."

6. For Regulation 43A the following regulation shall be substituted:—

"43A. If any person obstructs, impedes, or otherwise interferes with, any member of any of His Majesty's Forces in the execution of his duties, he shall be guilty of an offence against these regulations."

*Almeric FitzRoy.*

At the Court at *Buckingham Palace*, the 16th day of *January*, 1918.

PRESENT,

The KING's Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

WHEREAS by the Military Service (Conventions with Allied States) Act, 1917, it is provided that His Majesty may by Order in Council, signifying that a convention or agreement has been made with an allied country which imposes a mutual liability to military service on British subjects in that country and subjects of that country in the United Kingdom, direct that the said Act

shall have effect with respect to that allied country, but that no such Order in Council shall be made unless the following conditions are fulfilled, that is to say:—

(a) Unless the convention or agreement secures to His Majesty's Ambassador or other public Minister in the allied country power to grant to British subjects in that country exemption from military service;

(b) Unless the convention or agreement contains provisions to the effect that British subjects in the allied country and subjects of the allied country in the United Kingdom shall before being liable to military service have an opportunity if they make an application for the purpose of returning to the United Kingdom or the allied country, as the case may be:

and it is further provided that no such Order in Council shall be made until the expiration of thirty days from the date on which the convention or agreement is laid before Parliament:

And whereas an agreement dated the eleventh day of December, nineteen hundred and seventeen, has been concluded between His Majesty's Government and the Royal Italian Government respecting the liability to military service of British subjects in Italy and Italian subjects in Great Britain and the said agreement complies with the conditions aforesaid:

And whereas the said agreement was laid before Parliament on the eleventh day of December, nineteen hundred and seventeen:

Now, therefore, His Majesty is pleased, by and with the advice of His Privy Council, to signify, and it is hereby signified, that such an agreement as is mentioned in the said Act has been made with the Kingdom of Italy, and His Majesty is further pleased, by and with the like advice, to direct, and it is hereby directed, that the said Act shall have effect with respect to the Kingdom of Italy and Italian subjects.

*Almeric FitzRoy.*

At the Court at *Buckingham Palace*, the 16th day of *January*, 1918.

PRESENT,

The KING's Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

WHEREAS there was this day read at the Board a Memorial from the Right Honourable the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty, dated the 9th day of January, 1918, 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 under the Regulations for the Government of Your Majesty's Naval Service Flag Officers serving on shore, except in certain appointments for which special rates have been