

run services of cars on the said light railway under the Order of 1897 shall cease, and as from the date on which the removal of the rails of the said light railway and the restoration of the road upon which same are laid shall be duly completed all other powers and liabilities duties or obligations conferred or imposed on the Corporation by any Act or Order relating to the said light railway shall cease except so far as such powers liabilities duties or obligations are applicable or relate to the trolley vehicles of the Corporation.

(3) This Order may be cited as the West Hartlepool Corporation (Light Railway Abandonment) Order, 1928.

Given under the Official Seal of the Minister of Transport this twenty-first day of January, 1928.

(L.S.)
 E. W. ROWNTREE,
 Assistant Secretary,
 Ministry of Transport.
 3799
 F.B.7.

WHEREAS by the WEST HARTLEPOOL LIGHT RAILWAYS ORDER, 1897 (hereinafter referred to as "the Order of 1897") the HARTLEPOOL ELECTRIC TRAMWAYS COMPANY Limited (hereinafter referred to as "the Company") were authorised to construct certain railways in West Hartlepool and of those railways among others the railway described in the Schedule hereto and hereinafter referred to as "the abandoned railway" was constructed;

And whereas by Section 68 of the Order of 1897 it is enacted as follows:—

"If at any time after the opening for public traffic of the railways or any portion thereof the working of the same or of any part thereof be discontinued for the space of three months (such discontinuance not being occasioned by circumstances beyond the control of the Company for which purpose the want of sufficient funds shall not be considered a circumstance beyond their control) and such discontinuance is proved to the satisfaction of the Board of Trade the said Board if they think fit may by Order declare that the powers of the Company in respect of the railways or portion of the railways so discontinued shall from the date of such Order be at an end and thereupon the said powers shall cease and determine unless the same are purchased by the local authority in manner otherwise by this Order provided."

And whereas by virtue of the Ministry of Transport Act, 1919, and the Ministry of Transport (Board of Trade Exception of Powers) Order, 1919, the powers and duties of the Board of Trade under the said Section 68 of the Order of 1897 have been transferred to the Minister of Transport;

And whereas the powers of the Company under the Order of 1897 and otherwise in respect of the abandoned railway are now vested in the West Hartlepool Corporation (hereinafter referred to as "the Corporation");

And whereas the Corporation have applied to the Minister of Transport for an Order

under the said Section 68 of the Order of 1897 declaring that the powers of the Corporation in respect of the abandoned railway shall be at an end and it has been proved to the satisfaction of the said Minister that the Corporation have discontinued for the space of three calendar months the working of the abandoned railway;

Now therefore the Minister of Transport in exercise of the powers in that behalf conferred on him by the said Section 68 of the Order of 1897, hereby orders and declares that the powers of the Corporation in respect of the abandoned railway shall from the date of this Order be at an end.

This Order may be cited as the West Hartlepool Corporation Light Railways (Cessor of Powers) Order, 1928.

SCHEDULE.

The abandoned railway in the foregoing Order referred to is situated in Church Street Albert Terrace and Mainsforth Terrace West Hartlepool and is the railway enumerated and described in Section 4 of the Order of 1897 as Railway No. 1.

Given under the Seal of the Minister of Transport this twenty-first day of January, 1928.

(L.S.)
 E. W. ROWNTREE,
 Assistant Secretary,
 Ministry of Transport.
 3800
 F.B.7.

THE GUN BARREL PROOF ACT, 1868.

NOTICE OF REGISTRATION OF SPANISH PROOF MARKS FOR FIREARMS.

WHEREAS an application has been made to the Gunmakers Company of London and the Guardians of the Birmingham Proof House for the entry in the "Register of Foreign Proof Marks of the said two Authorities" of certain Marks used in Spain for denoting the proof of Small Arms, and notice is hereby given that pursuant to such application, we, the undersigned, being the Proof Masters of the London and Birmingham Proof Houses respectively, have caused the said Spanish Proof Marks to be duly registered in the Register of Foreign Proof Marks belonging to the said London Gunmakers Company and the Guardians of the Birmingham Proof House and kept at their respective Proof Houses, situate in Commercial Road, Whitechapel, London, and Banbury Street, in the City of Birmingham. And notice is hereby also given that the Registers of the two Proof Houses containing the said Marks as registered are open for public inspection and may be inspected without charge on application at the Proof House of the said London Gunmakers Company and the said Guardians, situate as aforesaid, between the hours of 10 and 4 o'clock on such days as such Proof Houses are open for the ordinary business of such Proof Houses respectively.

Dated the 24th day of February, 1928.

WILLIAM HUXELL, Proof Master,
 London Gunmakers Company.

CHAS. PLAYFAIR, Lieut.-Coln., Proof
 Master to the Guardians of the Bir-
 mingham Proof House.