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TUESDAY, 6 OCTOBER, 1931.

At the Court at *Buckingham Palace*, the 1st day of *October*, 1931.

PRESENT,

The KING's Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

**W**HEREAS by the Dockyard Ports Regulation Act, 1865, it is enacted that it shall be lawful for His 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 to make regulations in relation to any Dockyard Port for all or any of the purposes in the said Act particularly mentioned, and for such other purposes as from time to time seem necessary, with a view to the proper protection of His Majesty's vessels, dockyards or property, or to the requirements of His Majesty's Naval Service:

And whereas by the same Act it is also enacted that in relation to any Dockyard Port, it shall be lawful for His Majesty in Council, from time to time, by Order in Council, on the joint recommendation of the Admiralty and the Board of Trade to make rules concerning the lights or signals to be carried or used, and the steps for avoiding collision to be taken by His Majesty's vessels and other vessels navigating the waters of the port, and of the approaches thereto:

And whereas in pursuance of the said Act certain Regulations and Rules were made by

Orders in Council dated the 16th day of June, 1915, the 4th day of September, 1918, and the 17th day of March, 1925, with reference to the two Dockyard Ports of Chatham and Sheerness:

And whereas it appears expedient to amend such Rules as hereinafter provided:

And whereas the provisions of Section 1 of the Rules Publication Act, 1893, have been complied with:

Now, therefore, His Majesty, by virtue of the powers in this behalf by the said Act or otherwise in Him vested, on the joint recommendation of the Admiralty and the Board of Trade, by and with the advice of His Privy Council, is pleased to order, and it is hereby ordered as follows:—

1. This Order shall take effect from one calendar month from the date hereof.

2. The Second Schedule of the said Order in Council dated the 16th day of June, 1915, as amended by the said Orders in Council dated the 4th day of September, 1918, and the 17th day of March, 1925, is hereby repealed.

3. The following Rules shall have effect in relation to the two Dockyard Ports of Chatham and Sheerness and shall be read and construed as the Second Schedule of the said Order in Council dated the 16th day of June, 1915.

*M. P. A. Hankey.*