

Exempting French Vessels from the Provisions of the Imperial Merchant Shipping Acts, 1894-1923, relating to Wireless Telegraphy.

Marine Department,
Wellington, 12th May, 1926.

THE following Order in Council, received from the Secretary of State for Dominion Affairs, is published for general information.

G. JAS. ANDERSON, Minister of Marine.

At the Court at Buckingham Palace, the 25th day of February, 1926.

Present :

THE KING'S MOST EXCELLENT MAJESTY IN COUNCIL.

WHEREAS it is provided by the Merchant Shipping (Equivalent Provisions) Act, 1925 (15 & 16 Geo. 5, c. 37), that where His Majesty is satisfied that (a) ships of a foreign country are required by the law of that country to comply with any provisions which are substantially the same as or equally effective with any provisions of the Merchant Shipping Acts which apply to foreign ships while they are within a port of the United Kingdom; and (b) that country has made or has undertaken to make provisions for the exemption of British ships while they are within a port of that country from the corresponding requirements of the law of that country, His Majesty may, by Order in Council, direct that any such provisions of the Merchant Shipping Acts as aforesaid shall not apply to any ship of that country within a port of the United Kingdom if it is proved that the ship complies with the corresponding provision of the law of that country applicable to that ship:

And whereas His Majesty is satisfied that French ships are required by the law of that country to comply with provisions which are substantially the same as or equally effective with those of the Merchant Shipping Acts relating to wireless telegraphy which apply to foreign ships while they are within a port in the United Kingdom, and that that country has made provision for the exemption of British ships while they are within a port of that country from the corresponding requirements of the law of that country:

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

1. The provisions of the Merchant Shipping Acts relating to wireless telegraphy as aforesaid shall not apply to any French ship within a port in the United Kingdom if it is proved that the ship complies with the corresponding provisions of the law of that country applicable to that ship.

2. This Order may be cited as the Merchant Shipping (Wireless Telegraphy) French Ships Order, 1926.

M. P. A. HANKEY.

Notice to Mariners No. 22 of 1926.

Marine Department,
Wellington, N.Z., 15th May, 1926.

THE following Notices to Mariners, which have been received from the Department of Trade and Customs, Melbourne, are published for general information.

G. C. GODFREY, Secretary.

AUSTRALIA.—SOUTH COAST.—KANGAROO ISLAND.

Cape Couedie Light.—Power to be increased.

MARINERS and others are hereby notified that the power of the group-flashing white light on Cape Couedie will be increased on or about 1st July, 1926.

Position.—Lat. 36° 04' S., long. 136° 42' E., on Chart No. 2389.

Character.—Group-flashing White, showing two flashes every seven and one-half seconds, thus: Flash $\frac{1}{4}$ sec., eclipse $1\frac{1}{2}$ sec.; flash $\frac{1}{4}$ sec., eclipse $5\frac{1}{2}$ sec.

Power.—The power will be increased from 439,000 candles to 705,000 candles.

Note.—In other respects the light will remain unaltered. No further notice will be given.

AUSTRALIA.—SOUTH COAST.—KING GEORGE SOUND.

Breaksea Island Light—Intended Alteration in Characteristics.—Signal Station to be discontinued.

Mariners and others are hereby notified that the fixed white light on Breaksea Island will be replaced by a group-flashing white light (U) of lower power, and, further, that the signal station will be discontinued, on or about 1st July, 1926.

Position.—1,200 yards from eastern extreme of Breaksea Island. Lat. 35° 04' S., long. 118° 04' E., on Chart No. 2619.

Details.—

Character.—Group-flashing White, showing two flashes every ten seconds, thus: Flash $\frac{1}{4}$ sec., eclipse 1 sec.; flash $\frac{1}{4}$ sec., eclipse 8 sec.

Power.—10,000 candles.

Remarks.—The light will be unwatched.

The signal station will be discontinued, and the light-keepers withdrawn.

Further notice will be given when the alterations have been completed.

Signalling.—From about 1st July, 1926, onwards, maritime signalling will be carried on at Eclipse Island. Notice to Mariners No. 26 of 1924 should be altered by deleting Breaksea Island, and inserting Eclipse Island in place thereof.

Charts affected.—

Admiralty Chart No. 2619—King George Sound.

„ No. 1034—Cape Naturaliste to King George Sound.

„ No. 2759B—Australia, southern portion.

Notice to Mariners No. 23 of 1926.

Marine Department,
Wellington, N.Z., 17th May, 1926.

THE following notice to Mariners, which has been received from the Comptroller of Customs, Suva, is published for general information.

G. C. GODFREY, Secretary.

NOTICE is hereby given that the light at present exhibited from the Point Reef Lighthouse, Savusavu Bay, will be discontinued from sunrise, 13th June, 1926, to sunset, 21st June, 1926. The character of this light will be altered, and from sunset, 21st June, 1926, there will be exhibited an A.G.A. flashing light showing one flash every three seconds as follows: 0.3 sec. light followed by 2.7 sec. darkness. The focal plane of the light will be raised 2 ft.

From sunset, 10th June, there will be exhibited from Naselai Lighthouse, in place of the present light, a group-flashing light showing a double flash every thirty seconds as follows: 2 sec. light + 2 sec. dark + 2 sec. light + 24 sec. darkness.

Branch of Friendly Society registered.

Friendly Societies Department,
Wellington, 14th May, 1926.

THE Star of Rangiora Lodge, No. 134, situated at Rangiora, is registered as a branch of the Independent Order of Oddfellows of New Zealand Friendly Society, under the Friendly Societies Act, 1909, this 14th day of May, 1926.

WILLIAM M. WRIGHT,
Registrar of Friendly Societies.

Branch of Friendly Society registered.

Friendly Societies Department,
Wellington, 14th May, 1926.

THE Loyal Netherton Lodge, No. 9525, situated at Netherton, is registered as a branch of The Auckland District of the New Zealand Branch of the Manchester Unity Independent Order of Oddfellows Friendly Society, under the Friendly Societies Act, 1909, this 14th day of May, 1926.

WILLIAM M. WRIGHT,
Registrar of Friendly Societies.

Branch of Friendly Society registered.

Friendly Societies Department,
Wellington, 17th May, 1926.

THE Loyal Kaia Toa Lodge, No. 9520, situated at Lyttelton, is registered as a branch of the Lyttelton District of the Manchester Unity Independent Order of Oddfellows, Friendly Society, under the Friendly Societies Act, 1909, this 17th day of May, 1926.

WILLIAM M. WRIGHT,
Registrar of Friendly Societies.