



OYSTER FISHERIES.

RIVER SHANNON, &c.

32 & 33 Vic., c. 92, and the Acts incorporated therewith.

BYE-LAWS, RULES, AND REGULATIONS.

WE, the Inspectors of Irish Fisheries, acting under the authority of the above-named Acts, do make and ordain the following **Bye-Laws, Rules, and Regulations**, to be observed by all persons engaged in the Oyster Fishery, or in fishing for or taking Oysters in the **RIVER SHANNON**, or in any of the Bays or Inlets thereof, in the Counties of Kerry, Clare, and Limerick:—

“**FIRST.**—That during the Close Season for Oysters in the said River Shannon, or in any of the Bays or Inlets thereof, no Boat, in the said River Shannon, or in any of the Bays or Inlets thereof, shall have on board any Dredge or other Implement for the taking of Oysters; and if, during the period aforesaid, there shall be on board any boat any such Dredge or other Implement for the taking of Oysters, the Master or Owner of such Boat shall, for each such offence, forfeit and pay a sum of **TWO POUNDS.**”

“**SECOND.**—All persons engaged in fishing for or taking Oysters in said River Shannon, or in any of the Bays or Inlets thereof, shall cull all such Oysters as may be taken or caught, and shall not remove from any Fishing Ground or Oyster Bed any Oyster of less dimensions than Two Inches and One-half at the greatest diameter thereof: and shall immediately throw back into the Water all Oysters of less dimensions than aforesaid, as well as all gravel and fragments of shells as shall be raised or taken while engaged in such fishing; and no person shall take from any Rock, Strand, or Shore of said River Shannon, or of any of the Bays or Inlets thereof, by any means whatsoever, any Oyster of less dimensions than Two Inches and One-half at the greatest diameter thereof; nor sell, expose for sale, give, transfer, or purchase, receive, carry, or have in his or her custody or possession any such Oysters so taken; and any person offending in any respect against this Bye-Law, Rule, or Regulation, shall, for each offence, forfeit and pay a sum of **TWO POUNDS.**”

“**THIRD.**—All persons are hereby prohibited from throwing into the Water, on any Oyster Bed or Oyster Fishing Ground in said River Shannon, or in any of the Bays or Inlets thereof as aforesaid, the ballast of any Boat, or any other matter or thing injurious or detrimental to the Oyster Fishery; and all persons acting contrary hereto shall, for each offence, forfeit and pay a sum of **TWO POUNDS.**”

“**FOURTH.**—No person shall, between sunset and sunrise, dredge for, take, or catch, any Oysters within said River Shannon, or within any of the Bays or Inlets thereof as aforesaid; and every person acting contrary hereto shall, for each offence, forfeit and pay a sum of **TWO POUNDS.**”

JOHN A. BLAKE.
JOS. HAYES.
THOS. F. BRADY.

Dated at the Office of Irish Fisheries, Dublin,
this 29th day of February, 1876.

By the **LORD LIEUTENANT and PRIVY COUNCIL OF IRELAND.**

ORDERED—That the said Bye-Laws, Rules, and Regulations be, and the same are, hereby approved.

Given at the Council Chamber, in Dublin,
this 4th day of October, 1876.