

OYSTER FISHERIES.

SLIGO, BALLISODARE, & DRUMCLIFFE BAYS.

32 and 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 SLIGO, BALLISODARE, and DRUMCLIFFE BAYS, in the County of Sligo:—

"First.—That during the Close Season for Oysters in the said Sligo, Ballisodare, and Drumcliffe Bays, no Boat, in the said Sligo, Ballisodare, and Drumcliffe Bays, shall have on board any "Dredge or other Implement for the taking of Oysters; and if, during the Close Season 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 Sligo, Ballisodare, and Drumcliffe Bays, 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 Sligo, Ballisodare, and Drumcliffe Bays, 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."

"THERD.—All persons are hereby prohibited from throwing into the Water, on any Oyster Bed,
"or Oyster Fishing Ground, in said Sligo, Ballisodare, and Drumcliffe Bays, 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.—Every Dredge or other Implement for the taking of Oysters shall have a number corresponding with the number of the Boat on which it is employed, or to which it belongs, stamped thereon, and all persons acting contrary hereto shall for each offence forfeit and pay a sum of TWO "POUNDS."

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

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

By the LORDS JUSTICES and PRIVY COUNCIL OF IRELAND.

ORDERED-That the same be, and the same are, hereby approved.

Given at the Council Chamber, in Dublin, the 6th day of December, 1876.