



FISHERIES-IRELAND.

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

CORK HARBOUR.

OYSTER FISHERIES.

BYE-LAWS, RULES, AND REGULATIONS.

WHEREAS by certain Bye-Laws, Rules, and Regulations, bearing date the Twenty-eighth day of October, One Thousand Eight Hundred and Fifty-three, to be observed by all persons engaged in the Oyster Fishery of CORK HARBOUR, and the Estuaries of the Rivers flowing into same, it was enacted:—

"FIRST.—That between the First day of May and the First day of September in any year, no Boat shall have on board any Dredge or other Implement for the taking of Oysters; and if, between the periods 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.—Every Fisherman shall, on the Fishing Ground, cull all such Oysters as he shall take or catch, and shall not remove from such Fishing Ground or Oyster Beds any Oyster of less dimensions than Two Inches and One-half at the greatest diameter thereof; and shall at the same time throw back into the Sea all such gravel and fragments of shells as he shall raise or take while engaged in such fishing; 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 Sea, on any Oyster Bed or Oyster Fishing Ground, 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 Harbour or any of the Estuaries of the Rivers flowing into the same; and every person acting contrary hereto, shall for each Offence, forfeit and pay a sum of **FIVE POUNDS.**"

NOW, WE, the Inspectors of Irish Fisheries, in pursuance of the powers and authorities in us vested by the Fisheries (Ireland) Act, 1869, do hereby repeal and rescind the above recited Bye-Laws, Rules, and Regulations, and the same are hereby repealed and rescinded accordingly, and in lieu thereof, We do make and ordain the following Bye-Laws, Rules, and Regulations, to be observed by all persons engaged in the Oyster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 CORK HARBOUR, and the Estuaries of the Rivers flowing into same:—

"FIRST.—That between the First day of May and the First day of September in any year, no Boat shall have on board any Dredge or other Implement for the taking of Oysters; and if, between the periods aforesaid, there shall be on board any Boat in said Cork Harbour and the Estuaries of the Rivers flowing into same, 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 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, Bed, or Shore of said Cork Harbour and the Estuaries of the Rivers flowing into same, any Oyster of less dimensions than Two Inches and One-half, at the greatest diameter thereof; and any person offending in any respect against this Bye-Law, Rule, or Regulation, shall, for each offence, forfeit and pay a sum of **FIVE POUNDS.** And in any proceeding for the recovery of the above-mentioned Penalty, proof that ~~the~~ person had Oysters of less dimensions than aforesaid in his custody or possession within the Petty Sessions Districts of Cork, Riverstown, Middleton, Cloyne, Tracton, Carrigaline, Passage West, Douglas, and Queenstown, in the County of Cork, shall be *prima facie* evidence that the said Oysters of less dimensions than aforesaid were removed from the Fishery or Oyster Bed in said Cork Harbour or the Estuaries of the Rivers flowing into same, in contravention of this Bye-Law."

"THIRD.—All persons are prohibited from throwing into the Water, on any Oyster Bed or Oyster Fishing Ground in said Cork Harbour or the Estuaries of the Rivers flowing into same, 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 in said Cork Harbour or the Estuaries of the Rivers flowing into same, and every person acting contrary hereto shall, for each offence, forfeit and pay a sum of **FIVE POUNDS.**"

no sell, expose for sale, give transfer, or purchase, receive, carry, or have in his or her custody or possession any such Oysters so taken;

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Date at the Office of Irish Fisheries, 17, Ely-place, Dublin,
this 1st day of September, 1875.