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SHORE OF THE WASH ADJACENT TO
THE PARISHES OF FREISTON, BUTTER-
WICK, BENINGTON, LEVERTON, WRANGLE
AND BRISKNEY.

BYE-LAWS,

*Under the "Artillery and Rifle Ranges Act, 1885," made
by Her Majesty's Principal Secretary of State for the
War Department with the consent of the Board of
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Under the "Artillery and Rifle Ranges Act, 1885," made by Her Majesty's Principal Secretary of State for the War Department with the consent of the Board of Trade.

1. The area hereinafter mentioned shall be closed to all persons while firing is going on by the Artillery.

2. The signal that the said foreshore and tidal waters within the said area are closed will be a red flag hoisted at, or within one hundred yards of the Battery, and a second flag on the Sea Bank, two thousand yards to the left front, and sentries shall be posted along the external Sea Bank at every pull-over to warn the public.

3. The boundaries of the areas of shore and foreshore which will be thus closed are as follows, viz. :—

The foreshore and sands bounded on the south-west by a line drawn from the Nottingham House Hotel, at Freiston Shore, to High Horn Buoy, and on the north-east by a line drawn from Wainfleet Goose Lane pull-over to the Wainfleet Buoy. The said area is also bounded on the south-east by a line drawn from the High Horn Buoy, through Benington Buoy, and thence to Wainfleet Buoy, and on the north-west by the present external Sea Bank.

4. During any such time as the said area shall be closed as aforesaid, all intrusion thereon, and all obstruction thereof as an Artillery Range, and for any other purposes of the said Artillery is hereby prohibited.

5. During any such time as aforesaid no person shall, without the consent of the Commandant of the said Artillery, come or remain on the said foreshore and tidal area, nor shall any vehicle, animal, vessel (except vessels either compelled by the exigencies of navigation, or on their way to and from Boston Harbour), or thing, be without such consent brought, or taken, or suffered to remain on the said foreshore or tidal area, excepting animals grazing on that part of the green marsh which is not in or near the line of fire.

6. During such time as aforesaid, the master or other person in charge of any vessel drifting, navigated, or anchored

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on any part of the said area shall use his utmost endeavours to remove it therefrom without loss of time.

7. The Commandant of the said Artillery, and any Officer, Warrant Officer, or Non-commissioned Officer, for the time being under his command, and any Constable, shall have power, and is hereby authorised: First, to remove from the said tidal area, and take into custody, without warrant, and bring before a Court of Summary Jurisdiction, as mentioned in the Artillery and Rifle Ranges Act, 1885, to be dealt with according to law, any person contravening any of these Bye-laws. Second, to remove from the said tidal area any vehicle, animal, vessel, or anything found therein in contravention of any of these Bye-laws, and any such vehicle, animal, vessel, or thing shall be liable to forfeiture, as mentioned in the said Act.

8. Any person contravening any of the foregoing Bye-laws shall be deemed to commit an offence against the same; and is under the said Act liable, on conviction, to a fine not exceeding five pounds.

9. When any ship, boat, barge, craft, or other vessel of any description is within the possibility of danger within the said tidal area, all firing shall cease until the said vessel be removed out of danger, or the battery take up such a position that firing be again safe.

10. In any prosecution under these Bye-laws the burden of proof that the contravention thereof was unavoidable or unintentional shall be upon the Defendant.

11. Due notice shall be given at the commencement of each year of the approximate dates upon which firing will take place during the year, and such notices shall be posted in places accessible to all concerned. After the dates of firing are finally fixed a similar notice shall be given not less than one week previous to the firing.

Dated this Twenty-seventh day of July, One thousand eight hundred and ninety-one.

(Signed) EDWARD STANHOPE,

Her Majesty's Principal Secretary of State for the War Department.

The Board of Trade hereby signify their consent to the foregoing Bye-laws.

(Signed) C. CECIL TREVOY,

An Assistant Secretary to the Board of Trade.

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1st Lincolnshire Artillery.

Notwithstanding any fine limit mentioned in the above byelaws the current maximum fine as at 01/09/2008 is the sum of £500 being the maximum on level 2 of the standard scale.