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LIMERICK HARBOUR.

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RULES

FOR THE WORKING

OF THE

SARSFIELD

SWIVEL BRIDGE,

Adopted by the

Harbour Commissioners, 1883.

Reaffirmed, 1890

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*Rules for the Working of the Swivel
Bridge, adopted by the Harbour
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- 1.—That the Bridge shall be opened for the passage of vessels to and from the Old or Upper Harbour, at any state of the Tide, subject to the following regulations:—
- 2.—That the masters or persons in charge of vessels requiring to pass through, shall give notice thereof to the Harbour Master, and to the Bridgeman on duty for the time being, at least one hour before the vessel is intended to be hauled through the Lock.
- 3.—That all vessels intended to pass through the Lock shall be "brought to" in the Lie-by Basin if going up, or in the Lock when coming

down, and shall be well secured with sufficient and proper ropes, ready for wharfing past the Bridge when opened. The rate of speed of vessels passing the Bridge shall not exceed one mile per hour, or 88 feet per minute. All vessels must therefore approach the Bridge quietly to avoid mishap.

4.—That under no circumstances shall an anchor or drag of any kind, trailing on the ground, be let go in the Lock.

5.—That all vessels shall have precedence for passage through according to priority of arrival in the Lie-Bye Basin, or in the Lock.

6.—That no unnecessary delay shall occur in hauling vessels through the Bridge passage.

7.—That any master, or person in charge, who by reason of negligence or want of caution, permits his vessel to collide with the Bridge, or any of its working parts, shall forfeit a penalty not exceeding TWENTY POUNDS sterling, and the vessel shall be liable for the cost of repairing the damage done.

8.—That except in cases of emergency the Bridge shall not be opened about the hours of 6 a.m. and 6 p.m., or about the beginning or the end of workmen's meal hours; or during the half hour immediately preceding the hours of Divine Service on Sundays.

9.—That the public are strictly prohibited from trespassing on any part of the Bridge while in the act of being opened, and are hereby warned against doing so, during the time that the guard chains shall remain drawn across the roadway adjoining.

10.—That all vessels shall pass through the Bridge opening at the sole risk of the masters, owners, or persons in charge, and that no responsibility shall be incurred by the Harbour Commissioners in the event of accidents or delays to the vessels.

By order.

JAMES HARRIS,

1st January, 1890.

SECRETARY.