No. 48.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Stanley, Falkland Islands, 14th June, 1917.

With reference to Government Notice No. 101 of the 25th August, 1908, the Governor directs the publication, for general information, of the following Letters Patent, passed under the Great Seal of the United Kingdom, providing for the further Definition and Administration of certain Islands and Territories as Dependencies of the Colony of the Falkland Islands.

By Command,

C. F. Condell,

Colonial Secretary.

M.P. 585/17.

## FALKLAND ISLANDS

(Dependencies.)

LETTERS PATENT, passed under the Great Seal of the United Kingdom, providing for the further Definition and Administration of certain Islands and Territories as Dependencies of the Colony of the Falkland Islands.

Dated 28th March, 1917.

George the Fifth by the Grace of God of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland and of the British Dominions beyond the Seas King, Defender of the Faith, Emperor of India: To all to whom these Presents shall come, Greeting.

WHEREAS doubts have arisen as to the limits of the groups of islands known as South Georgia, the South Orkneys, the South Shetlands, and the Sandwich Islands, and the territory of Graham Land otherwise known as Graham's Land; and whereas it is expedient that provision should be made for the government, not only of these islands and territories adjacent thereto as Dependencies of Our Colony of the Falkland Islands:

I. Now We do hereby declare that from and after the publication of these Our Letters Patent in the Government Gazette of Our Colony of the

Falkland Islands, the Dependencies of Our said Colony shall be deemed to include and to have included all islands and territories whatsoever between the the 20th degree of West longitude and the 50th degree of West longitude which are situated south of the 50th parallel of South latitude; and all islands and territories whatsoever between the 50th degree of West longitude and the 80th degree of West longitude which are situated south of the 58th parallel of South latitude.

- II. And we do hereby vest in the Governor and Commander-in-Chief of Our Colony of the Falkland Islands all such powers and authorities in and over the lands hereby included in the Dependencies of Our said Colony as are exercised by him over the Dependencies in virtue of certain Letters Patent bearing date at Westminster the Twenty-first day of July 1908.
- III. We do hereby reserve to Ourselves, Our heirs and successors, full power and authority from time to time to revoke, alter or amend these Our Letters Patent as to Us or them shall seem meet.
- IV. The Governor shall cause these Our Letters Patent to be published in the Government Gazette of Our Colony of the Falkland Islands and the same shall thereupon come into force.

In witness whereof We have caused these Our Letters to be made Patent. Witness Ourself at Westminster the Twenty-eighth day of March in the Seventh Year of Our Reign.

By Warrant under the King's Sign Manual.

SCHUSTER.