HONGKONG.

ANNO VICESIMO SEPTIMO VICTORIÆ REGINÆ.

No. 4 of 1864.

By His Excellency SIR HERCULES GEORGE ROBERT ROBINSON, Knight, Governor and Commander-in-Chief of the Colony of Hongkong and its Dependencies, and Vice-Admiral of the same, with the Advice of the Legislative Council of Hongkong.

HERCULES G. R. ROBINSON.

An Ordinance to give effect to Her Majesty's Regulations for the observance of Neutrality during the existing hostilities between the United States and the States calling themselves the Confederate States of America.

Title.

[29th March, 1864.]

Whereas Her Majesty has expressed her full determination to observe the duties of neutrality during the existing hostilities between the United States and the States calling themselves the Confederate States of America and has resolved to prevent as far as possible the use of Her Majesty's Harbours, Ports and Coasts and the Waters within Her Majesty's territorial jurisdiction in aid of the warlike purposes of either belligerent; And whereas in furtherance of such Her Majesty's determination so expressed as aforesaid Her Majesty has (amongst other things) caused it to be notified and published that no Ship of War or Privateer of either belligerent should be permitted while in any Port, Roadstead or Waters subject to the territorial jurisdiction of Her Majesty to take in any supplies except provisions and such other things as might be requisite for the subsistence of her Crew, and except so much Coal only as would be sufficient to carry such vessel to the nearest port of her own country or to some nearer destination and that no Coal should be again supplied to any such Ship of War or Privateer in the same or any other Port, Roadstead or Waters subject to the territorial jurisdiction of Her Majesty without special permission, until after the expiration of three months from the time when such Coal should have been last supplied to her within British Waters as aforesaid; And whereas the circumstances of this Colony are such as to render it necessary in order to give full effect to Her Majesty's intention as aforesaid that recourse be had to local enactment: Be it therefore enacted and ordained by His Excellency the Governor of Hongkong by and with the Advice of the Legislative Council thereof as follows:—

Preamble.

I. Whosoever shall furnish or supply, or shall contract or agree to furnish or supply, or shall knowingly aid or assist in furnishing or supplying, or shall knowingly cause Ammunition, &c., to or procure to be furnished or supplied, to any Ship of War or Privateer of the United of either belligerent States of North America or of the States calling themselves the Confederate States of whilst in the waters America whilst such Ship of war or Privateer is within the waters of this Colony or within America, whilst such Ship of war or Privateer is within the waters of this Colony or a distance of five within any distance from this Colony, not exceeding five miles, any Arms, Ammuni-miles to be deemed a misdemeanor. tion, Gunpowder or Naval or Military Stores, or shall put on board or shall contract or agree to put on board, or shall aid or assist in putting on board, or shall cause or procure to be put on board of, any Vessel, Boat, Sampan or other Craft, any Arms, Ammunition, Gunpowder or Naval or Military Stores with the intent and design that the same may be conveyed to any such Ship of War or Privateer as aforesaid, whilst such Ship of War or Privateer shall be in the Waters of this Colony aforesaid or within the distance from this Colony aforesaid shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and being convicted thereof shall be liable at the discretion of the Court to be imprisoned for any term not exceeding two years.

II. Whosoever shall, without the leave or license of the Governor, for that purpose Furnishing Coals, first had and obtained, furnish or supply, or contract or agree to furnish or supply, or &c., to Ships of War, knowingly aid or assist in furnishing or supplying, or knowingly cause or procure to rent whilst in the wabe furnished or supplied, to any Ship of War or Privateer of the United States of North within a distance of America or of the States calling themselves the Confederate States of America, whilst five miles without the such Ship of War or Privateer is within the Waters of this Colony or within any to be deemed a Misdistance from this Colony not exceeding five miles, Coal or other Article, or shall, demeanor. without such leave or license as aforesaid put on board or contract or agree to put on board or aid or assist in putting on board, or cause or procure to be put on board of any Vessel, Boat, Sampan or other Craft any Coal or other Article with the intent and design that the same may be conveyed to any such Ship of War or Privateer as aforesaid whilst such Ship of War or Privateer shall be in the Waters of this Colony aforesaid or within the distance from this Colony aforesaid shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and being convicted thereof shall be liable at the discretion of the Court to be imprisoned for any term not exceeding two years.

Interpretation Clause.

III. In the construction, and for the purposes of this Ordinance, the term "Other Article." as used in the second Section hereof, shall apply to, and comprehend, all Articles other than and except Arms, Ammunition, Gunpowder and Naval and Military Stores.

Passed the Legislative Council of Hongkong, this 29th Day of March, 1864.

L. D'ALMADA E CASTRO, Clerk of Councils.

No. 59.

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

In accordance with the request of the Government of the Straits Settlement, and for the information of Master Mariners and the Community generally, publicity is given to the following Notice of an improved Harbor Light recently exhibited at the Port of Singapore.

By Order,

W. T. MERCER, Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 28th March, 1864.

NOTICE.

HARBOR LIGHT-SINGAPORE.

On and after the 1st of March 1864, a new light will be exhibited from the Flag Staff, Fort Canning.

The light will be fixed at an elevation of 215 feet above the sea, (II. W. mark), and it is calculated will be seen from a distance of 15 miles.

It will be visible through an arc of 90° extending from St. John's Island to Johore Shoal at the Northern entrance of the Old Straits.

J. O. MAYNE,—Captain, R. E., Chief Engineer & Secy. to Govt., Public Works Department, Straits Settlement.

Colonial Secretary.

Singapore, 18th February, 1864.

No. 60.

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

The following Order of Her Majesty in Council, conferring on Her Majesty's Consul-General in Japan the power to issue rules for restricting the entrance or passage of British Merchant Vessels into or through the straits or waters within the Dominions of the Tycoon, is published for general information.

By Order,
W. T. MERCER,

Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 28th March, 1864.

At the Court at Osborne House, Isle of Wight, the 7th day of January, 1864.

PRESENT:

The QEEN'S Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

Whereas by an Act of Parliament made in the session holden in the sixth and seventh years of Her present Majesty, intituled "An Act to remove doubts as to the exercise of power and jurisdiction of Her Majesty within divers countries and "places out of Her Majesty's dominions, and to render the same more effectual," it is, amongst other things, enacted, that it is and shall be lawful for Her Majesty to hold, exercise, and enjoy, any power or jurisdiction which Her Majesty now hath, or at any time hereafter may have, within any country or place out of Her Majesty's dominions, in the same and as ample a manner as if Her Majesty had acquired such power or jurisdiction by the cession or conquest of territory:

And whereas Her Majesty hath power and jurisdiction in the dominions of the Tycoon of Japan:

And whereas Her Majesty was pleased, on the twenty-third day of January, one thousand eight hundred and sixty, by an Order duly made, by and with the advice of Her Privy Council, to make provision for the exercise of the said power and jurisdiction; and such Order was afterwards amended, and further provision was made for the exercise of the said power and jurisdiction, by another Order duly made by Her Majesty, by and with the advice of Her Privy Council, on the fourth day of February, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-one:

And whereas, under and by virtue of the said Orders, Her Majesty's Consuls within the dominions of the Tycoon of Japan are authorised and empowered to make, and to enforce by fine or imprisonment, rules and regulations for the observance of the stipulations of the treaty or treaties between Her Majesty, her heirs and successors, and the Tycoon of Japan, and for the peace, order, and good government of Her Majesty's subjects being within the dominions of the Tycoon of Japan: