

## GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.—No. 187.

The following Circular Despatch accompanying a copy of an Order of Her Majesty in Council, is published for general information.

By Command,

FREDERICK STEWART,  
*Acting Colonial Secretary.*

Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 7th May, 1887.

## CIRCULAR.

DOWNING STREET, 18th March, 1887.

SIR,—I have the honour to transmit to you, for publication in the Colony under your Government, a copy of an Order of Her Majesty in Council, extending the provisions of the *Foreign Deserters Act, 1852*, to Zanzibar.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient humble Servant,

H. T. HOLLAND.

*The Officer Administering the Government of*

HONGKONG.

AT THE COURT AT WINDSOR,

The 7th day of March, 1887.

PRESENT :

THE QUEEN'S MOST EXCELLENT MAJESTY IN COUNCIL.

WHEREAS by the "Foreign Deserters Act, 1852," it is provided that, whenever it is made to appear to Her Majesty that due facilities are or will be given for recovering and apprehending seamen who desert from British merchant ships in the territories of any foreign power, Her Majesty may by Order in Council stating that such facilities are or will be given, declare that seamen, not being slaves, who desert from merchant ships belonging to a subject of such power, when within Her Majesty's dominions, shall be liable to be apprehended, and carried on board their respective ships, and may limit the operation of such order, and may render the operation thereof subject to such conditions and qualifications, if any, as may be deemed expedient :

And whereas it has been made to appear to Her Majesty that due facilities will be given for recovering and apprehending seamen who desert from British merchant ships in the dominions of His Highness the Sultan of Zanzibar :

NOW THEREFORE, Her Majesty by virtue of the power vested in Her by the said "Foreign Deserters Act, 1852" and by and with the advice of Her Privy Council, is pleased to order and declare, and it is hereby ordered and declared, that from and after the publication hereof in the *London Gazette*, seamen, not being slaves, and not being British subjects, who within Her Majesty's dominions, desert from merchant ships belonging to subjects of His Highness the Sultan of Zanzibar, shall be liable to be apprehended and carried on board their respective ships : Provided always, that if any such deserter has committed any crime in Her Majesty's dominions, he may be detained till he has been tried by a competent court, and until his sentence, if any, has been carried into effect.

And the Secretary of State for the Home Department, the Secretary of State for the Colonies, and the Secretary of State for India in Council, are to give the necessary directions herein accordingly.

C. L. PEEL.

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With reference to Government Notification No. 163 of the 23rd April, 1887, calling for tenders for the construction of a Timber Pier at the foot of Morrison Street, it is hereby notified that the date on which the tenders are to be received has been extended until Noon of Tuesday, the 10th May, 1887.

The Government does not bind itself to accept the lowest or any tender.

By Command,

FREDERICK STEWART,  
*Acting Colonial Secretary.*

Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 7th May, 1887.