

## GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.—No. 301.

The following Circular Despatch, accompanying an Extract from the *London Gazette* containing an Order of the Queen in Council of the 13th instant, is published for general information.

By Command,

FREDERICK STEWART,  
*Acting Colonial Secretary.*

Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 16th July, 1887.

## CIRCULAR.

DOWNING STREET, 31st May, 1887.

SIR,—With reference to the EARL OF CARNARVON'S Circular Despatch of the 2nd of August, 1876, I have the honour to transmit to you, for information and publication in the Colony under your Government, an Extract from the *London Gazette* containing an Order of the Queen in Council of the 13th instant, for carrying into effect the Declaration concluded on the 21st of April last for amending Article I. of the Treaty between Great Britain and Belgium of the 20th of May, 1876, for the mutual surrender of Fugitive Criminals.

The Declaration came into operation on the 30th instant, in conformity with Article III.

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 13th day of *May*, 1887.

PRESENT.

The QUEEN'S Most Excellent Majesty.

Lord President.

Earl of Coventry.

Earl of Kintore.

WHEREAS by the Extradition Acts, 1870 and 1873, it was amongst other things enacted that, where an arrangement has been made with any foreign State with respect to the surrender to such State of any fugitive criminals, Her Majesty may, by Order in Council, direct that the said Acts shall apply in the case of such foreign State; and that Her Majesty may, by the same or any subsequent Order, limit the operation of the Order, and restrict the same to fugitive criminals who are in or suspected of being in the part of Her Majesty's dominions specified in the Order, and render the operation thereof subject to such conditions, exceptions, and qualifications as may be deemed expedient; and that if, by any law made after the passing of the Act of 1870 by the Legislature of any British possession, provision is made for carrying into effect within such possession the surrender of fugitive criminals who are in or suspected of being in such British possession, Her Majesty may, by the Order in Council applying the said Acts in the case of any foreign State, or by any subsequent Order, suspend the operation within any such British possession of the said Acts, or of any part thereof, so far as it relates to such foreign State, and so long as such Law continues in force there and no longer:

And whereas, in accordance with section 18 of "The Extradition Act, 1870," the Legislature of the Dominion of Canada has, by laws passed in the years 1877 and 1882, and respectively styled "The Extradition Act, 1877," and "An Act to Amend the Extradition Act, 1877," made provision for carrying into effect within the Dominion the surrender of fugitive criminals who are in, or are suspected of being in, the Dominion:

And whereas a Treaty was concluded on the twentieth day of May, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-six, between Her Majesty and the King of the Belgians, for the mutual extradition of fugitive criminals, in the case of which Treaty the above-mentioned Acts of Parliament were applied by an Order in Council of the twenty-first day of July, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-six:

And whereas a Declaration was concluded on the twenty-third day of July, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-seven, between the Government of Her Majesty and the Government of His Majesty the King of the Belgians, extending the provisions of the above-mentioned Treaty to certain additional crimes in the case of which Declaration the above-mentioned Acts of Parliament were applied by an Order in Council of the thirteenth day of August, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-seven:

And whereas a Declaration was concluded on the twenty-first day of April, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-seven, between the Government of Her Majesty and the Government of His Majesty the King of the Belgians, for amending Article I of the above-mentioned Treaty, which Declaration is in the terms following:—

“THE Government of Her Majesty the Queen of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, Empress of India, and the Government of His Majesty the King of the Belgians, being desirous to provide for the more effectual repression of crimes and offences in their respective territories, have agreed as follows:—

“ARTICLE I.

The words “except as regards Great Britain, native-born or naturalized subjects of Her Britannic Majesty, and except as regards Belgium, those who are by birth, or who may have become, citizens of Belgium,” which occur in Article I of the Extradition Treaty of the 20th May, 1876, are suppressed.

ARTICLE II.

The following paragraph is added to Article I of the said Treaty:—

“In no case, nor on any consideration whatever, shall the High Contracting Parties be bound to surrender their own subjects, whether by birth or naturalization.”

ARTICLE III.

The present Declaration shall come into force ten days after its publication in the manner prescribed by law in the respective countries.

In witness whereof the undersigned have signed the same, and have affixed thereto the seal of their arms.

Done at London, the 21st day of April, 1887.

(L.S.) SALISBURY.

(L.S.) SOLVYNS.

Now, therefore, Her Majesty, by and with the advice of Her Privy Council, and in virtue of the authority committed to Her by the said recited Acts, doth order, and it is hereby ordered, that from and after the thirtieth day of May, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-seven, the said Acts shall apply in the case of the said Declaration of the twenty-first day of April, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-seven, with the Government of His Majesty the King of the Belgians, as fully, to all intents and purposes, as in the case of the said recited Treaty of the twentieth day of May, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-six, and of the aforesaid Declaration of the twenty-third day of July, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-seven:

Provided always, and it is hereby ordered, that the operation of the said Acts shall be suspended within the Dominion of Canada so far as relates to the Kingdom of Belgium and to the said Declaration of the twenty-first day of April, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-seven, and so long as the provisions of the Canadian Acts aforesaid continue in force, and no longer.

C. L. PEEL.

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.—No. 302.

The following Circular Despatch, accompanying copies of revised regulations governing the examination and entry of Naval Cadets, is published for general information.

By Command,

FREDERICK STEWART,  
*Acting Colonial Secretary.*

Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 16th July, 1887.

CIRCULAR.

DOWNING STREET, 1st June, 1887.

SIR,—With reference to Lord KIMBERLEY's Circular Despatch of the 18th of April, 1882, I have the honour to transmit to you, for information in the Colony under your Government, copies of revised regulations governing the examination and entry of Naval Cadets.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient humble Servant,

H. T. HOLLAND.

*The Officer Administering the Government of*  
HONGKONG.