DESPATCHES FROM THE SECRETARY OF STATE.

No. 69.

CIRCULAR.

Downing Street,

14th February, 1911.

Sir,—I have the honour to inform you that it is the wish of His Majesty the King that his Birthday should be officially celebrated in His dominions beyond the seas on the actual date of the Anniversary, viz.:—3rd June.

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L. HARCOURT.

The Officer Administering the Government of

Hongkong.

No. 70.

CIRCULAR.

Downing Street, 15th February, 1911.

Sir,—I have the honour to inform you that the King has approved of clause 1 of Article 49 of the King's Regulations and Admiralty Instructions as to the firing of salutes on British Anniversaries being amended so as to run as follows:—

- "49. The fixed dates for firing Salutes in celebration of British Anniversaries are as follows, viz.: -
 - (a.) The Anniversaries of the Birth, Accession, and Coronation of the reigning Sovereign;
 - (b.) The Birthday of the Consort of the reigning Sovereign;
 - (c.) The Birthday of the Queen Mother;

on which days a Royal Salute shall be fired at noon from all His Majesty's Ships in port, and from all the forts and batteries from which Triumph Salutes are usually fired."

2. I have already notified to you in my Circular despatch of the 14th instant His Majesty's wish that His Birthday should be officially celebrated on the actual date of the anniversary, viz., 3rd June.

I have, &c.,

L. HARCOURT.

The Officer Administering the Government of

Hongkong.