

56. The owners, agents, charterers and licensees of every ship, and their servants and employees, and the master and crew of every ship, shall use their best endeavours to assist in the carrying out of these regulations, and shall commit no act of omission or commission which may tend to prevent any of the provisions of these regulations from being properly carried out.

57. These regulations shall apply to every ship proceeding or intending to proceed on any such voyage as is referred to in section 3 of the Ordinance and to every ship which has made any such voyage and is returning or is about to return to Hongkong.

M. J. BREEN,
Clerk of Councils.

COUNCIL CHAMBER,
17th September, 1914.

NOTICES.

COLONIAL SECRETARY'S DEPARTMENT.

No. 362.—The following is published for general information :—

The attention of His Majesty's Government has been called to the fact that difficulties have arisen between shippers and shipowners in consequence of the wish of the latter to insert in Bills of Lading a clause to cover obligations which they undertake in many voyages to call at a port in the United Kingdom for information, instructions or advice before proceeding on the final stage of the voyage.

The following is the text of such a clause :—

“ If and so long as the ship is insured against war risks with a War Risks Insurance Association under or in connection with a War Risks Insurance Scheme of His Majesty's Government the ship, in addition to any liberties expressed or implied in this Bill of Lading, shall have the liberty to comply with any orders or directions as to the departure, arrival, routes, ports of call, stoppages or otherwise howsoever given by His Majesty's Government or any department thereof or any person acting or purporting to act with the authority of His Majesty or of His Majesty's Government or of any department thereof or by any committee or person having under the terms of the war risks insurance on the ship the right to give such orders or directions, and nothing done or not done by reason of any such orders or directions shall be deemed a deviation.”

It is important that shippers should realise that the above requirements are for the security of the cargo equally with that of the ship, and are in no wise to the prejudice of the shippers' interests which are being safeguarded and not sacrificed.

Particulars of the war risks insurance scheme above referred to are not available here officially at present but are expected shortly.

CLAUD SEVERN,
Colonial Secretary.

18th September, 1914.

SUPREME COURT.

No. 363.—Under Section 16 of the Companies Amendment Ordinance, 1913, it is hereby notified, for general information, that in addition to those already notified, the following person has made application to be appointed auditor for the purposes of the Companies Ordinances, 1911 and 1913, and that he is, in the opinion of the Court qualified to perform the duties required by the said Ordinances to be performed by an auditor :—

ALFRED HENRY MANCELL, *Shanghai.*