

NOTICES.

COLONIAL SECRETARY'S DEPARTMENT.

No. 465.—The following notification which was inserted in the *London Gazette* of the 29th of September indicating the procedure to be taken by persons having any interest in cargoes other than enemy cargoes laden on enemy ships captured and taken into French ports, is published for general information.

Vessels Detained or Captured by the French Naval Authorities.

With reference to the notices which appeared in the Supplementary *London Gazette* of the 12th instant and the *London Gazette* of the 22nd instant on this subject, His Majesty's Government have now received from the French Ambassador a copy of a notification which was published in the *Journal Officiel* of the 10th instant, and of which the following is a translation :—

“All persons having any interest in cargoes other than enemy cargoes laden on enemy ships captured and brought into French ports, and requiring a release of such cargoes or portion of cargoes, should make inquiries of the ‘Préfet Maritime’ of the district in which the ship is detained.

“The ‘Préfet Maritime’ will, through the intermediary of the ‘Commissaire Chef du Service de la Solde’ or his representative, require proof of ownership and particulars as to freight, whether paid or unpaid.

“In cases where the title of the subjects or citizens of the allied or neutral States is clear and established without doubt to the satisfaction of the ‘Préfet Maritime,’ such cargoes or portions of cargoes will be released with as little delay as possible, provided that no question of contraband arises, and subject to the adjustment of any matters relating to freight or other charges falling on the cargo. In doubtful cases recourse to the ordinary Prize Court procedure will be necessary.”

With regard to cases which come before the French Prize Court established at Bordeaux (21 Rue Vauban), the French Ambassador states that the interested parties should present their claims to the Court through the intermediary of an Advocate of the Council of State.

FOREIGN OFFICE,

September 28, 1914.

No. 466.—It is hereby notified that it is the intention of the Governor to make an Order directing the removal within one month of this date of all graves on the piece of land, known as Site of the Western Filter Beds, situate within the area edged red on a plan of the said Site which may be seen during office hours at the Offices of the Public Works Department.

CLAUD SEVERN,
Colonial Secretary.

27th November, 1914.