

No. 30.

CIRCULAR.

DOWNING STREET,

16th December, 1914.

SIR,—With reference to my Circular despatch of the 22nd September last, I have the honour to inform you that the rate of premium for the insurance of cargo at the Government War Risks Insurance Office has been reduced from two guineas per cent. to one guinea and a half per cent. as from the 11th instant.

I have, &amp;c.,

L. HARCOURT.

*The Officer Administering the Government of*  
HONGKONG.

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### PROCLAMATIONS.

No. 3.

[L.S.] FRANCIS HENRY MAY,  
*Governor.*

By His Excellency Sir FRANCIS HENRY MAY Knight Commander of the Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George Governor and Commander-in-Chief of the Colony of Hongkong and its Dependencies and Vice-Admiral of the same:—

Whereas by section three of the Prize Courts Act 1894 His Majesty in Council is authorised to make rules of court for regulating subject to the provisions of the Naval Prize Act 1864 and the said Act the procedure and practice of prize courts within the meaning of the Naval Prize Act 1864 and the duties and conduct of the officers thereof and of the practitioners therein and for regulating the fees to be taken by the officers of the courts and the costs charges and expenses to be allowed to the practitioners therein:

And whereas by section five of the Naval Prize Act 1864 it is provided that every appeal from a prize court within the meaning of this Act shall be made in such manner and form and subject to such regulations (including regulations as to fees costs charges and expenses) as may for the time being be directed by Order in Council:

And whereas in pursuance of the Prize Courts Act 1894 certain rules were made by an Order in Council dated the 18th day of July 1898:

And whereas by an Order in Council made in pursuance of the Prize Courts Act 1894 and the Naval Prize Act 1864 and dated the 5th day of August 1914 the rules thereafter set forth were substituted for the rules made by the said Order in Council dated the 18th day of July 1898:

And whereas by Order XLVI of the said rules made by the said Order in Council dated the 5th day of August 1914 it is provided that so far as the said rules apply to any Court in a British Possession outside the United Kingdom they shall not come into operation until they are proclaimed in the Possession by the Governor thereof:

And whereas by an Order in Council made in pursuance of the said Acts and dated the 30th day of September 1914 the said rules so made by the Order in Council of the 5th day of August 1914 were amended as therein specified:

And whereas by an Order in Council made in pursuance of the said Acts and dated the 28th day of November 1914 the said rules were further amended as therein specified:

And whereas it is expedient that the said amendments of the said rules should come into operation in this Colony: