

## NOTICES.

COLONIAL SECRETARY'S DEPARTMENT.

**No. 365.**—It is notified for general information that under the provisions of the Death Duties (Killed in War) Act, 1914, 4 and 5 George V., Ch. 76, in cases recommended by the Secretary of State the Lords Commissioners of the Treasury will be prepared to consider favourably the grant of the relief authorised by the Act to the estates of persons killed in military operations in any part of the world during the present war which are liable to the payment of death duties under the Imperial Acts.

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## Passport Regulations.

HONGKONG.

1. Applications for passports must be forwarded to the Colonial Secretary's Office. They must be made on the authorized form, copies of which are obtainable at that Office.

2. The charge for a passport is \$5.

3. Passports may be granted:—

- (1) To natural-born British subjects;
- (2) To the wives and widows of such persons; and
- (3) To persons naturalized in the United Kingdom, in the British Colonies, or in India.

A married woman is deemed to be a subject of the State of which her husband is for the time being a subject.

4.—(1) The Governor may in his discretion require an application to be verified by a declaration made by a senior official of a British Banking Firm established in Hongkong, or by a Justice of the Peace, Minister of Religion, Barrister-at-law, Physician, Surgeon, or Notary Public, resident in Hongkong. The applicant's certificate of birth and other evidence may also be required.

(2) In the case of persons naturalized in any of the British Self-governing Colonies the application must be accompanied by a recommendation from the Government, or from the High Commissioner or Agent-General in London, of the State concerned.

(3) In the case of persons naturalized in a British Crown Colony the application must be accompanied by a recommendation from the Government of the Colony concerned, or from the Colonial Office.

(4) In the case of natives of British India and of persons naturalized therein the application must be accompanied by a recommendation from the Government of India, or from the India Office.

5. In every case a naturalized British subject must forward his certificate of naturalization with his application.

Naturalized British subjects will be described as such in their passports, which will be issued subject to the necessary qualifications.

6. Passports are not available beyond two years from the date of issue. They may be renewed for four further periods of two years each, after which fresh passports must be obtained. The fee for each renewal is \$2.

COLONIAL SECRETARY'S OFFICE,

HONGKONG, 7th August, 1915.