PROCLAMATIONS.

No. 1.

[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 the Geneva Convention Act 1911 it was enacted that the said Act should extend to His Majesty's possessions outside the United Kingdom subject to such necessary adaptations as might be made by Order in Council:

And whereas by an Order of His Majesty in Council made on the 23rd day of October 1917 and intituled the Geneva Convention Act 1911 (Colonies) Order in Council 1917 it was provided that the adaptations therein specified should be made in the said Act with regard to its application to all Colonies other than His Majesty's Self-governing Dominions:

And whereas by the said Order it was provided that the said Order should come into force in each Colony affected thereby on a date to be fixed by the Governor:

NOW THEREFORE I 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 in pursuance of the authority vested in me by the said Order do hereby proclaim that the said Order shall come into force in this Colony on the 1st day of February 1918.

Given under my hand and the Public Seal of the Colony at Victoria Hongkong this 1st day of February 1918.

By Command,

CLAUD SEVERN,

Colonial Secretary.

GOD SAVE THE KING.

Note.—The Geneva Convention Act, 1911, was published as Notification No. 78 in the Gazette of the 16th March, 1912. The Geneva Convention Act, 1911 (Colonies) Order in Council, 1917, is published as Notification No. 37 in this issue of the Gazette.

No. 2.

[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 189 of the Army Act it is enacted that where the Governor of a Colony in which any of His Majesty's forces are serving declares at any time or times that by reason of the imminence of active service or of the recent existence of active service it is necessary for the public service that the forces in the Colony should be temporarily subject to the said Act as if they were on active service then on the publica-

tion in general orders of any such declaration the forces to which the declaration applies shall be deemed to be on active service for the period mentioned in the declaration so that the period mentioned in any one declaration do not exceed three months from the date thereof:

And Whereas by declaration made on the 5th day of August 1914 it was declared by Proclamation published in the *Government Gazette Extraordinary* dated the 5th day of August 1914 to be necessary for the public service that His Majesty's forces in the Colony be subject to the said Act for the period of three months from the date thereof as if they were on active service:

And Whereas by Proclamations made on the 4th day of November 1914, 3rd February, 30th April, 30th July, and 29th October 1915, 2nd February, 2nd May, 28th July, and 27th October 1916, 2nd February, 2nd May, and 2nd August 1917 the said declaration was renewed for a period of three months from time to time:

And Whereas by a Proclamation made on the 2nd day of November 1917 the said declaration was renewed for a period of three months from the 3rd day of November 1917:

And Whereas the said period of three months will expire on the 3rd day of February 1918 Now therefore I 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 being of opinion that the necessity of His Majesty's forces in the Colony being subject to the said Act continues do hereby declare that by reason of the imminence of active service it is necessary for the public service that His Majesty's forces in this Colony be subject to the said Act for the further period of three months from and after the 3rd day of February 1918.

Given under my hand and the Public Seal of the Colony at Victoria Hongkong this 1st day of February 1918.

By Command,

CLAUD SEVERN,

Colonial Secretary.

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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 12 of the Fugitive Offenders Act 1881 it is provided that it shall be lawful for His Majesty from time to time by Order in Council to direct that Part II of the said Act shall apply to the group of British possessions mentioned in the Order and to limit the application of the said part of the said Act by such conditions exceptions and qualifications as may be deemed expedient:

And whereas by Order of Her late Majesty Queen Victoria in Council made on the 12th day of December 1885 it was ordered that Part II of the Fugitive Offenders Act 1881 should apply to the group of possessions therein mentioned that is to say the Straits Settlements Hongkong and Labuan:

And whereas by section 1 of the Fugitive Offenders (Protected States) Act 1915 it was provided that His Majesty by Order in Council might direct that the Fugitive Offenders Act 1881 should apply as if subject to the conditions exceptions and qualifications (if any) contained in the Order any place or group of places over which His Majesty extends his protection named in the Order were a British Possession:

And whereas by the Straits Settlements and Protected States Fugitive Offenders Order in Council 1916 it was ordered that subject to the provisions of that Order the Fugitive Offenders Act 1881 should apply as if the Federated Malay States and the States of Johore Kedah and Perlis Kelantan Brunei and North Borneo were British Possessions:

And whereas by the Straits Settlements and Protected States Fugitive Offenders Order in Council 1917 it was ordered that subject to the provisions of the said Order and to the provisions of the Straits Settlements and Protected States Fugitive Offenders Order in Council 1916 the Fugitive Offenders Act 1881 should apply as if the States of Sarawak and Trengganu were British Possessions:

And whereas by an Order of His Majesty in Council issued on the 2nd day of January 1918 and to come into operation on the 1st day of February 1918 it is provided that on and after the 1st day of February 1918 the hereinbefore recited Order in Council of the 12th day of December 1885 shall be revoked without prejudice to anything lawfully done thereunder or to any proceedings commenced before the said date and that Part II of the Fugitive Offenders Act 1881 shall apply to the group of British Possessions and Protected States hereunder mentioned that is to say British India Ceylon Hongkong the Straits Settlements the Federated Malay States Johore Kedah and Perlis Kelantan Trengganu Brunei North Borneo and Sarawak and that the Governor General of India and the Governors of Ceylon Hongkong and of the Straits Settlements shall cause the said Order to be proclaimed in the territories and colonies under their respective government:

NOW THEREFORE I 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 do hereby proclaim the said last recited Order in the Colony of Hongkong.

Given under my hand and the Public Seal of the Colony at Victoria Hongkong this 1st day of February 1918.

By Command,

CLAUD SEVERN,
Colonial Secretary.

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EXECUTIVE COUNCIL.

No. 35.—It is hereby notified that His Excellency the Governor in Council has, under Section 7 of the Holidays Ordinance, 1912, Ordinance No. 5 of 1912, appointed Tuesday, the 12th day of February, 1918, to be observed as a General Holiday.

A. G. M. FLETCHER, Clerk of Councils.

Council Chamber, 31st January, 1918.

APPOINTMENTS, &c.

No. 36.—His Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint, under the provisions of Section 10 of the Medical Registration Ordinance, 1884, Ordinance No. 1 of 1884, Dr. Robert Maclean Gibson and Mrs. Daisy Annabela Murdoch Gale to be Members of the Medical Board, vice Dr. G. E. Aubrey and Dr. O. Marriott resigned, for a term of three years, with effect from the 30th January, 1918.

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