

No. 62.—The following Order of His Majesty the King in Council, amending the Prize Court Rules, is published for general information.

AT THE COURT AT BUCKINGHAM PALACE,

THE 16TH DAY OF NOVEMBER, 1917.

PRESENT,

THE KING'S MOST EXCELLENT MAJESTY IN COUNCIL.

WHEREAS by Section 3 of the Prize Courts Act, 1894, His Majesty in Council is authorized 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 of the Courts, and of the Practitioners therein, and for regulating the fees to be taken by the Officers thereof, and the costs, charges, and expenses to be allowed to the Practitioners therein :

And whereas in pursuance of the Prize Courts Act, 1894, certain Rules were made by His Majesty's Order in Council dated the 5th day of August, 1914, and amended by His Majesty's Orders in Council of the 30th day of September, 1914, the 28th day of November, 1914, and the 23rd day of March, 1915, respectively, which said Rules and amended Rules were by the said Orders in Council directed to take effect *provisionally* in accordance with the provisions of Section 2 of the Rules Publication Act, 1893, from the date of the said Orders in Council respectively :

And whereas the provisions of Section 1 of the Rules Publication Act, 1893, were complied with in respect of the said Rules, and amended Rules, and the same were *finally* made by the Orders of His Majesty in Council dated respectively the 17th day of September, 1914, the 28th day of November, 1914, the 3rd day of February, 1915, and the 29th day of April, 1915 :

And whereas it is expedient that the said Rules should be further amended :

And whereas on account of urgency this Order should come into immediate operation :

NOW, THEREFORE, His Majesty, by virtue of the powers in this behalf by the said Act or otherwise in Him vested, is pleased, by and with the advice of His Privy Council, to order, and it is hereby ordered, as follows :—

That in Appendix B of the Prize Court Rules, 1914, Item 48, the following words shall be omitted, *viz.* :—

“ On retaining possession of a ship with or without cargo, or of a ship's cargo without a ship, to include the cost of a shipkeeper if required, per day, £0 5s. 0d.

“ Any sum above this amount which has necessarily been incurred in the payment of a shipkeeper shall also be recoverable.”

and in lieu thereof the following words shall be substituted, *viz.* :—

“ On retaining possession of a ship with or without cargo, the expenses per day in respect of a shipkeeper.”

This Order shall take effect *provisionally* in accordance with the provisions of Section 2 of the Rules Publication Act, 1893, from the date hereof.

ALMERIC FITZROY.

NOTE.—The Proclamation bringing the above amendment into operation in the Colony of Hong-kong is published in this issue of the *Gazette*. See the note to that Proclamation for a list of the various Orders in Council and Proclamations relating to the Prize Court Rules.