

## NOTICES.

COLONIAL SECRETARY'S DEPARTMENT.

No. 117.—The following Order of His Majesty the King in Council, which appeared in the *London Gazette* of the 8th January, 1918, is published for general information.

AT THE COURT AT BUCKINGHAM PALACE,

THE 2ND DAY OF JANUARY, 1918.

PRESENT,

THE KING'S MOST EXCELLENT MAJESTY.

LORD PRIVY SEAL.

LORD ROTHERMERE.

LORD CHAMBERLAIN.

SIR MAURICE DE BUNSEN.

WHEREAS by an Order of Her late Majesty Queen Victoria in Council, bearing date the 12th day of December, 1885, it was ordered that Part II. of the Fugitive Offenders Act, 1881, should apply to the group of British Possessions therein mentioned, that is to say, Her Majesty's East Indian Territories, Ceylon, and the Straits Settlements:

And whereas by a further Order of Her said late Majesty Queen Victoria in Council, also bearing date the 12th day of December, 1885, it was ordered that Part II. of the Fugitive Offenders Act, 1881, should apply to the group of British Possessions therein mentioned, that is to say, the Straits Settlements, Hongkong, and Labuan:

And whereas under and by virtue of Letters Patent dated the 30th day of October, 1906, the boundaries of the Colony of the Straits Settlements were extended so as to include the Colony of Labuan:

And whereas by the Straits Settlements and Protected States Fugitive Offenders Order in Council, 1916, as amended by the Straits Settlements and Protected States Fugitive Offenders Order in Council, 1917, it is ordered that the Fugitive Offenders Act, 1881, shall apply as if the Protected States named in the Schedule to the first mentioned Order were British Possessions:

And whereas by reason of their contiguity, or the frequent inter-communication between them, it seems expedient to His Majesty, and conducive to the better administration of justice therein, to apply Part II. of the Fugitive Offenders Act, 1881, to the above mentioned British Possessions and Protected States, and such application has been requested by the Rulers of the said States:

Now, therefore, His Majesty, by virtue of the Powers in this behalf by the Fugitive Offenders Acts, 1881 and 1915, and otherwise, in His Majesty vested, is pleased, by and with the advice of His Privy Council, to order, and it is hereby ordered, as follows:—

(1.) On and after the 1st day of February, 1918, the hereinbefore recited Orders 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 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 ;  
 Sarawak.

(2.) The Governor-General of India, and the Governors of Ceylon, Hongkong, and the Straits Settlements shall cause this Order to be proclaimed in the Territories and Colonies under their respective Governments.

(3.) The Governor, as defined in the Straits Settlements and Protected States Fugitive Offenders Orders in Council, 1916 and 1917, shall cause this Order to be proclaimed in the Protected State in which he exercises the functions of Governor for the purposes of the Fugitive Offenders Acts, 1881 and 1915.

And the Right Honourable Edwin Samuel Montagu and the Right Honourable Walter Hume Long, two of His Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State, are to give the necessary directions herein accordingly.

ALMERIC FITZROY.

NOTE.—The above Order in Council was proclaimed in Hongkong on the 1st February, 1918:  
See Proclamation No. 3 of 1918.

**No. 118.**—The following Order of His Majesty the King in Council, which appeared in the *London Gazette* of the 18th January, 1918, is published for general information.

AT THE COURT AT BUCKINGHAM PALACE,

THE 16TH DAY OF JANUARY, 1918.

PRESENT,

THE KING'S MOST EXCELLENT MAJESTY IN COUNCIL.

**W**HEREAS on the 20th day of January, 1914, an International Convention for the Safety of Life at Sea, and for purposes incidental thereto was duly entered into by His Majesty and the other Signatory Powers more especially referred to and set out in the said Convention:

And whereas a Statute 4 & 5 Geo. V, c. 50, intituled "An Act to make such amendments of the law relating to Merchant Shipping as are necessary or expedient to give effect to an International Convention for the safety of Life at Sea" (being the Convention above referred to) was passed on the 10th day of August, 1914, the short title of which is "The Merchant Shipping (Convention) Act, 1914":

And whereas by Section 29, Sub-section 5, of the said Act it was provided as follows:—

"This Act shall come into operation on the 1st day of July, 1915:

"Provided that His Majesty may, by Order in Council, from time to time postpone the coming into operation of this Act for such period, not exceeding on any occasion of postponement one year, as may be specified in the Order":

And whereas by Order in Council dated the 2nd day of June, 1915, His Majesty did postpone the coming into operation of the said Act until the 1st day of January, 1916:

And whereas by Order in Council dated the 30th day of November, 1915, His Majesty did further postpone the coming into operation of the said Act until the 1st day of July, 1916:

And whereas by Order in Council dated the 23rd day of May, 1916, His Majesty did further postpone the coming into operation of the said Act until the 1st day of January, 1917:

And whereas by Order in Council dated the 22nd day of December, 1916, His Majesty did further postpone the coming into operation of the said Act until the 1st day of January, 1918:

And whereas His Majesty deems it expedient, owing to a state of War, that the provisions of the Merchant Shipping (Convention) Act, 1914, should be further postponed: