- (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.

WHEREAS 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:

Now, therefore, His Majesty, by and with the advice of His Privy Council, in pursuance of the powers vested in Him by the above-recited provision, and of all other powers Him thereunto enabling, doth order, and it is hereby ordered, that the coming into operation of the provisions of the Merchant Shipping (Convention) Act, 1914, be postponed for a further period of one year from the 1st day of January, 1918.

ALMERIC FITZROY.

No. 119.—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.

LORD EDMUND TALBOT.

LORD STEWARD.

LORD HUGH CECIL.

LORD NEWTON.

LORD COLEBROOKE.

SIR MAURICE DE BUNSEN.

SIR HENRY CRAIK.

SIR GORDON HEWART.

SIR HENRY NORMAN, BT.

MR. THOMAS RICHARDS.

WHEREAS by "The Consular Salaries and Fees Act, 1891," His Majesty the King is authorized, by Order in Council, to fix the fees to be taken in respect of any matter of thing done by a Consular Officer in the execution of his office, and to vary such fees by way of increase or decrease, and to abolish fees, and to create new fees:

And whereas it is expedient that the tables of fees, as now fixed by "The Consular Fees (General) Order in Council, 1906," "The China (Consular and Marriage Fees) Order in Council, 1906," and "The Japan (Consular and Marriage Fees) Order in Council, 1906," should in certain respects be amended:

Now, therefore, in pursuance of the before-mentioned Act, His Majesty is pleased, by and with the advice of His Privy Council, to order, and it is hereby ordered, as follows:—

- 1. This Order may be cited as "The Consular Fees (Amendment) Order in Council, 1918."
- 2. The following fee is hereby established, and shall be deemed to be added to Part II of the table of fees annexed respectively to "The Consular Fees (General) Order in Council, 1906," "The China (Consular and Marriage Fees) Order in Council, 1906," and "The Japan (Consular and Marriage Fees) Order in Council, 1906":—
 - "83к. On the release of goods by a Consular Officer under the British Reexport Scheme (Switzerland):—
 - "(a.) Tissues for dyeing, mercerising, bleaching, &c., at the rate of quarter of 1 per cent. of the import value.
 - "(b.) Handkerchiefs for embroidery at the rate of 1 centime per dozen."
- 3. In all copies of the Orders in Council referred to in the preceding articles which may be printed after the commencement of this Order, the fee directed by this Order to be added to the tables of fees annexed to the said Orders shall be added thereto.
 - 4. This Order shall come into operation on the 1st day February, 1918.

And the Right Honourable Arthur James Balfour, one of His Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State, is to give the necessary directions herein.

ALMERIC FITZROY.