NOTICES.

COLONIAL SECRETARY'S DEPARTMENT.

No. 236.—The following notification is published for general information.

Trading with the Enemy Amendment Act, 1916.

Orders have been made by the Board of Trade requiring the undermentioned businesses to be wound up:

- 517. Julius Adolf Frey, "Queen's Head" Hotel, 63, High Street, Maidstone, Hotel Keeper. Controller: Robert William Cave, 280a, High Street, Rochester. 21 March, 1918.
- 518. Madame Sibylle, 27 and 29, Brook Street, Bond Street, London, W. 1., Court Dressmaker. Controller: William Alfred Slade, 9, Old Jewry Chambers, London, E.C. 2. 21 March, 1918.
- 519. Joseph Kaltenbach or Mrs. J. E. Kaltenbach, 6, Hannah Street, Porth, Glamorganshire, Jeweller. Controller: Ellis Owen, St. Catherine's Chambers, St. Catherine Street, Pontypridd. 25 March, 1918.
- 520. W. Kordes and Krause, The Witley Nurseries, Witley, Godalming, Surrey, Rose Growers. Controller: The Hon. Walter John Harry Boyle, 132, York Road, Westminster Bridge, London, S.E. 1. 25 March, 1918.
- 521. Anglo-American Export Company, Limited, 134/7, Birkbeck Chambers, Holborn, London, W.C., Exporters of German Motor Cars. Controller: C. Ryland Beeby, 66, Basinghall Street, London, E.C. 2. 22 March, 1918.
- Note 1.—The above Orders appeared in the *London Gazettes* of the 22nd and 26th March, 1918, Note 2.—Orders Nos. 514, 515 and 516 cannot be traced.
- Note 3.—A list of Orders made under the above Act was published as a note to Notification 548 in the *Hongkong Gazette* of the 14th December, 1917. This list gives all the Orders published in the *Hongkong Gazette* up to the 31st December, 1917. Subsequent Orders have been published in the *Hongkong Gazettes* of the 25th January, 8th February, 10th, 17th, and 23rd May, and 21st June, 1918.

No. 237.—The revised lists of persons to whom articles to be exported to China and Siam may be consigned, which were published as Notification No. 28, and amended by Notifications No. 29, No. 40, No. 53, No. 66, No. 113, No. 133, No. 200, No. 241, No. 273, No. 287, No. 308, No. 348, No. 371, No. 435, No. 448, No. 474, No. 487, No. 504, No. 519, No. 529, No. 539, and No. 558 of 1917, and No. 4, No. 105, No. 121, No. 127, No. 163, and No. 186 of 1918, published in the Gazettes of January 26th, February 9th, 16th, and 23rd, March 23rd and 30th, May 4th and 25th, June 8th and 22nd, July 6th, August 3rd and 17th, September 28th, October 5th and 26th, November 2nd, 16th, 23rd and 30th, and December 7th and 21st, 1917, and January 4th, March 15th and 28th, April 5th, and May 3rd and 17th, 1918, respectively, are hereby further amended as follows:—

China.

Add the following names:—

Brossard, Mopin & Co., Tientsin.

Christiansen, B., Canton.

Compagnie Sino-Française, Swatow.

Globe Trading Co. (The), Shanghai.

Government Dock & Engineering Works, Foochow.

Mitsu Bishi Shoji Kaisha Ltd. (Mitsu Bishi Trading Co., Ltd., Canton).

Corrections:-

Barry & Co., B. M., Chungking should read Barry & Dodwell, Ltd., Chungking.

Judah & Myers, should read Judah, J. J., Shanghai.

Meyer, M., should read Myers, M., Shanghai.

Richards, J. H., should read Richards, John, & Co., Shanghai.

Siam.

Add the following names:—

Loh Buan Heng, Bangkok. Siam Produce Co., Bangkok. Siam Trading Company, Bangkok.

No. 238.—The following Finding of the Marine Court of Enquiry held on the 13th June, 1918, to enquire into the stranding of the British Steamship *Tjitarocm*, is published for general information.

CLAUD SEVERN, ... Colonial Secretary.

31st June, 1918.

FINDING.

We find that the British Steamship Tjitaroem, Official No. 142210 of Hongkong of which Francis Henry Hamblin, Certificate No. 1976 Hongkong was Master left Shanghai en route for Singapore on May 24th, and on May 28th at 1.25 p.m. was $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles south of the Great Lammocks Lighthouse, when a course of S. 13° W. magnetic was steered and the ship proceeded at full speed towards the Pratas Reefs distant 150 miles which the Master intended to make with the object of checking the rate of his chronometers which had been found unreliable after leaving Shanghai. The ship proceeded on this course and speed and 3.30 a.m. May 29th the Master was called by his own orders and came on deck with the intention of shortly afterwards turning the ship around to the north to wait for daylight. At 3.35 a.m. the ship struck on the north side of the Pratas Reef.

The Court do not consider that the course steered from the Lammocks was a safe one taking into consideration the impossibility of obtaining any warning of close approach to this Reef by any means other than visibility, which under the most favourable conditions is only a few miles, and that the stranding of this ship was due to the careless and faulty navigation of the Master in approaching this dangerous Reef at full speed during the hours of darkness, and placing too much reliance on his patent log whose accuracy was quite unknown to him. But taking into consideration that after the ship had struck everything was done by the Master in a seamanlike way for the safety of the ship and crew, that strenuous efforts were made to get the ship floated, and communication was established with Hongkong, which eventually enabled the ship to be got off, the Court adjudge the Master, Francis Henry Hamblin, to be severely censured.

Given under our hands at Victoria, in the Colony of Hongkong, this 14th day of June, 1918.

- (Signed) C. W. BECKWITH, Commander, R.N., Stipendiary Magistrate and President of the Court.
 - F. J. B GIBSON, Commander, R.N., H.M.S. Tamar.
 - A. MACKENZIE,
 Master, British S.S. (flenfalloch.
 - B. W. S. PRITCHARD, Master, British S.S. Wollowra.
 - T. ARTHUR.