

NOTICES.

COLONIAL SECRETARY'S DEPARTMENT.

No. 545.—It is hereby notified that the office of the Custodian of Enemy Property, and the local clearing offices appointed by His Excellency the Governor for the purposes of the German, Austrian and Hungarian Treaty of Peace Orders, and the office of the Administrator for the purposes of the Bulgarian Treaty of Peace Order, will in future be at the Treasury, on the first floor of the Post Office Buildings.

No. 546.—It is hereby notified as follows:—

The Administrator appointed by His Excellency the Governor for the purposes of the Treaty of Peace (Austria) Order, 1920, the Treaty of Peace (Bulgaria) Order, 1920, and the Treaty of Peace (Hungary) Order, 1921, is entitled, by consent of His Excellency the Governor, under Articles 1 (xvi), 1 (viii), and 1 (xvi) respectively of the said Orders, as modified and adapted to the circumstances of the Colony of Hongkong by the legislature thereof, to retain a sum of 1 % of the value of all property, rights or interests, or proceeds thereof, vested in or collected or received by him, and of all moneys collected by him, under the said Orders, in order to cover risks, expenses and commissions.

No. 547.—It is hereby notified that, under the powers conferred upon him by section 21 of the Alien Enemies (Winding up) Ordinance, 1917, His Excellency the Governor has been pleased to order that the provisions of sub-sections (1), (2) and (3) of section 4 of the Alien Enemies (Winding up) Ordinance, 1914, as amended by section 3 of the Alien Enemies (Winding up) Amendment Ordinance, 1914, shall cease to be in force with reference to Austrian, Bulgarian and Hungarian nationals, except as regards transactions prohibited, and property, rights and interests charged, under the Treaty of Peace (Austria) Order, 1920, the Treaty of Peace (Bulgaria) Order, 1920, and the Treaty of Peace (Hungary) Order, 1921, respectively.

By Order,

CLAUD SEVERN,
Colonial Secretary.

NOTE.—By the above mentioned Treaty of Peace Orders, all property, rights and interests within His Majesty's Dominions belonging to Austrian, Bulgarian, and Hungarian nationals at the date when the respective Treaties of Peace came into force, and the net proceeds of dealings therewith, are charged with the payment of certain British claims. All unauthorised dealings with such property are prohibited. Certain of these Orders also prohibit the settlement of certain "enemy debts" except through the Clearing Office.

No. 548.—With reference to Government Notification No. 412, published in the *Gazette* of October 7th, 1921, it is hereby directed by order of His Excellency the Governor under section 7 (1) of the Trading with the Enemy Second Amendment Ordinance, 1915, as follows:—

1. Except so far as otherwise directed by the Governor, or the Supreme Court or a judge thereof, enemy property shall be and become subject as from the date of this notification to the provisions of the Orders of His Majesty the King in Council, made or to be made under the Treaty of Peace Act, 1919; the Treaty of Peace (Austria and Bulgaria) Act, 1920, or the Treaty of Peace (Hungary) Act, 1921, as modified and adapted to the circumstances of the Colony of Hongkong by the legislature of Hongkong, and to the charges created thereunder, in the same way and to the same extent as it would be so subject if it had been held at the dates of the coming into force of the respective Treaties of Peace with Germany, Austria, Bulgaria and Hungary, on behalf of the persons who were, or would but for the same having been paid or transferred to or vested in the Custodian, have been then entitled thereto.