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Part I.—Minutes, Proclamations, Appointments, &c.

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PROCLAMATIONS BY THE GOVERNOR.

IN the Name of His Majesty GEORGE THE FIFTH, of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland and of the British Dominions beyond the Seas, King, Defender of the Faith.

PROCLAMATION.

By His Excellency Sir ROBERT CHALMERS, Knight Commander of the Most Honourable Order of the Bath, Governor and Commander-in-Chief in and over the Island of Ceylon, with the Dependencies thereof.

ROBERT CHALMERS.

KNOW Ye that We, the Governor of Ceylon, in the exercise of the powers vested in Us by section 13 of the Volunteer Ordinance, No. 8 of 1910, do hereby call out for active service the Ceylon Engineer Volunteers.

Given at Colombo, in the said Island of Ceylon, this Second day of August, in the year of our Lord One thousand Nine hundred and Fourteen.

By His Excellency's command,

R. E. STUBBS,
Colonial Secretary.

GOD SAVE THE KING.

IN the Name of His Majesty GEORGE THE FIFTH, of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland and of the British Dominions beyond the Seas, King, Defender of the Faith.

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By His Excellency Sir ROBERT CHALMERS, Knight Commander of the Most Honourable Order of the Bath, Governor and Commander-in-Chief in and over the Island of Ceylon, with the Dependencies thereof.

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WHEREAS by the fourth section of the Royal Naval Reserve (Volunteer) Act, 1859, it is enacted that it shall be lawful for the King on such occasions as His Majesty shall deem fit (the occasion being first communicated to Parliament or declared in Council and notified by Proclamation if Parliament be not sitting or in being) to order and direct that the Volunteers under that Act, or so many or such part of them as His Majesty may deem necessary shall be called into actual service :

And whereas by the first section of the Naval Reserve (Mobilization) Act, 1900, it is enacted that it shall be lawful for the King, in case of any such order and direction, to authorize the Admiralty to give, and when given to revoke or vary, such directions as may seem necessary or proper for calling out all or any of the said Volunteers as the occasion may require :

And whereas the King has communicated to Parliament (or has declared in Council) and notified by Proclamation that owing to the state of public affairs and the demands upon his Naval Forces for the protection of the Empire an occasion has arisen for ordering and directing as in the said first-mentioned Act is provided :

It is hereby notified that the King has ordered and directed that the Royal Naval Reserves, or such part of them as the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty may direct, be called into actual service.

Given at Colombo, in the said Island of Ceylon, this Second day of August, in the year of our Lord One thousand Nine hundred and Fourteen.

By His Excellency's command,

GOD SAVE THE KING.

R. E. STUBBS,
Colonial Secretary.

APPOINTMENTS, &c., BY THE GOVERNOR.

No. 281 of 1914.

Lieut.-Commander Stainer, Acting Master Attendant, to be Chief Examining Officer under the regulations framed in connection with the examination of shipping entering or leaving the port of Colombo in time of emergency.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Colombo, August 3, 1914.

By His Excellency's command,

R. E. STUBBS,
Colonial Secretary.

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATIONS.

Notification of Suspension of Telegraph and Radio-Telegraph Services throughout the Empire.

HIS BRITANNIC MAJESTY'S GOVERNMENT find themselves under the necessity of availing themselves of the power reserved under Article 8 of the International Telegraph Convention and Article 17 of the International Radio-Telegraph Convention to suspend the transmission of telegrams and radio-telegrams to and from or in transit through the United Kingdom, and to and from or in transit through all British Possessions and all British Protectorates whatsoever, save and except such telegrams and radio-telegrams as are on the service of His Majesty's Government or of the Government of any British Possession or Protectorate.

With a view, however, to minimize inconvenience to the public, His Britannic Majesty's Government will, until further notice, and as an act of grace, permit the transmission of such telegrams and radio-telegrams in plain language as Foreign Governments or the public choose to send, provided that such telegrams and radio-telegrams are written in English or French, and on the understanding that they are accepted at the sender's risk and subject to censorship by the British Authorities; that is, that they may be stopped, delayed, or otherwise dealt with in all respects at the discretion of those Authorities and without notice to the senders, and that no claims in respect of them, whether for the reimbursement of the sums paid for transmission or otherwise, will be considered by His Majesty's Government in any circumstances whatever.

It is, moreover, essential that such telegrams and radio-telegrams should bear the sender's name at the end of the text, otherwise they are liable to be stopped until the name is notified by paid telegram.

Registered abbreviated addresses will not be accepted, either as addresses or as the names of senders.

NOTE.—The term "telegram" is applied to radio-telegraph messages sent from shore to shore, as well as those sent by cable or land line. The term "radio-telegram" is used to denote messages exchanged between ships and the shore.

By order,

R. E. STUBBS,
Colonial Secretary.

August 3, 1914.

THE attached Special Admiralty Order is published for the information of those concerned.

Reservists resident in the Western Province are required to report themselves forthwith to the Naval Intelligence Officer, Colombo; those resident in other Provinces to the nearest Government Agent or Assistant Government Agent.

By command of His Excellency the Governor,

R. E. STUBBS,
Colonial Secretary.

Colombo, August 3, 1914.

Special Admiralty Order.

MOBILIZATION OF THE ROYAL NAVAL RESERVE.

Men absent from the British Islands.

HIS MAJESTY THE KING having issued His Proclamation ordering and directing that the Royal Naval Volunteers (commonly known as the Royal Naval Reserve) under the Royal Naval Reserve Act, 1859, or as many or such part of them as the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty may direct, be called into actual service;

Notice is hereby given that all men in the Royal Naval Reserve who are absent from the British Islands are liable to serve in the Royal Navy, if called upon by the Officer Commanding any of His Majesty's Ships.

Royal Naval Reserve men serving in the Merchant Ships abroad, on receiving notice of the issue of the Royal Proclamation at any Port they may call at, are to report themselves to the Senior British Naval Officer at that Port, or to the first British Naval Officer they may meet; or failing that, to the nearest Registrar of Naval Reserve on arrival in the British Islands.

Royal Naval Reserve men abroad, but not serving in Merchant Ships, are to report themselves to the nearest British Naval, Consular, or Colonial Officer forthwith.

Any man failing to report himself without delay in compliance with this Order will be liable to arrest as a Deserter.

By command of the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty.