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Port-dues on Foreign Vessels.

No. 4. Read the following letter from A. O. HUME, Esq., C.B., Secretary to the Government of India, Department of Revenue, Agriculture, and Commerce, to the Hon. W. HUDLESTON, Chief Secretary to Government, Fort St. George, dated Calcutta, 4th December 1875, No. 389:—

Commerce and Trade.

With reference to your letter, No. 320, dated 20th September 1875, on the subject of the assessment of the tonnage of foreign vessels for the payment of tonnage dues at British Indian ports, I am directed to forward copy of a Notification issued this day, and to state that the Honorable the President in Council is of opinion that Rule 4 of the Regulations issued in Notification, No. 15, dated the 31st January 1873, should be applied, so far as the arrangement in each case goes, to French, German, Swedish, and Spanish ships in British Indian ports.

2. The Honorable the President in Council also considers that, with reference to Rule 3 of the Regulation above referred to, any ship not belonging to the nationalities above mentioned should be relieved from the requirement of a measurement certificate, provided that the master of the vessel is able to produce evidence that the ship has paid dues upon a certain tonnage in a port of the United Kingdom within a period of two years from the date at which tonnage dues are demanded in British India. In such case the vessel should be passed for assessment at the tonnage on which she has so paid dues in the United Kingdom, provided that (1) she has not been altered within the period to an extent interfering with her original capacity, and (2), that stores, cargo, or passengers are not carried in any space which has not been included in, or which has been deducted from, the gross tonnage.

3. These observations should be communicated to Conservators of Ports under the Indian Ports Act, 1875, as suggestions for their guidance in taking action under Section 51, Clause (b.) of the Act.

No. 388.

NOTIFICATION.

Calcutta, 4th December 1875.

Commerce and Trade.

With reference to paragraph 4 of the Notification of the Government of India in this department, No. 15, dated the 31st January 1873, publishing Regulations for assessing the tonnage of foreign vessels for payment of tonnage dues at British Indian ports, the Honorable the President in Council is pleased to direct the publication of the following orders issued by the Queen in Council, from which it will be seen that the rules in force in the United Kingdom have been accepted in whole or part by

France,
The German Empire,
Sweden, and
Spain,

and that Her Majesty has been pleased to exercise in favor of the ships of those countries the power conferred by Section 60 of the Merchant Shipping Act Amendment Act, 1862 (25 and 26 Vic., C. 63).

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AT THE COURT AT WINDSOR, THE 5TH DAY OF MAY 1873.

PRESENT.

THE QUEEN'S MOST EXCELLENT MAJESTY IN COUNCIL.

Whereas, by "the Merchant Shipping Act Amendment Act, 1862," it is enacted that, whenever it is made to appear to Her Majesty that the rules concerning the measurement of tonnage of merchant ships for the time being in force under the principal Act have been adopted by the Government of any foreign country, and are in force in that country, it shall be lawful for Her Majesty, by order in Council, to direct that the ships of such foreign country shall be deemed to be of the tonnage denoted in their certificates of registry or other national papers, and thereupon it shall no longer be necessary for such ships to be remeasured in any port or place in Her Majesty's dominions, but such ships shall be deemed to be of the tonnage denoted in their certificates of registry or other papers, in the same manner, to the same extent, and for the same purposes, in, to, and for which the tonnage denoted in the "certificates of registry of British ships is to be deemed the tonnage of such ships."

And whereas it has been made to appear to Her Majesty that the rules concerning the measurement of tonnage of merchant ships now in force under "the Merchant Shipping Act, 1854," have been adopted by the President of the French Republic, and are in force in the French dominions.

Her Majesty is hereby pleased, by and with the advice of Her Privy Council, to direct that the ships of France, the certificates of French nationality and registry of which are dated on or after the first day of June one thousand eight hundred and seventy-three, shall be deemed to be of the tonnage denoted in the said certificates of French nationality and registry.

AT THE COURT AT WINDSOR, THE 26TH DAY OF JUNE 1873.

PRESENT.

THE QUEEN'S MOST EXCELLENT MAJESTY IN COUNCIL.

Whereas, by "the Merchant Shipping Act Amendment Act, 1862," it is enacted that, whenever it is made to appear to Her Majesty that the rules concerning the measurement of tonnage of merchant ships for the time being in force under the principal Act have been adopted by the Government of any foreign country, and are in force in that country, it shall be lawful for Her Majesty, by order in Council, to direct that the ships of such foreign country shall be deemed to be of the tonnage denoted in their certificates of registry or other national papers, and thereupon it shall no longer be necessary for such ships to be remeasured in any port or place in Her Majesty's dominions, but such ships shall be deemed to be of the tonnage denoted in their certificates of registry or other papers, in the same manner, and to the same extent, and for the same purposes, in, to, and for which the tonnage denoted in the certificate of registry of British ships is to be deemed the tonnage of such ships.

And whereas it has been made to appear to Her Majesty that the rules concerning the measurement of tonnage of merchant ships now in force under "the Shipping Act, 1854," have been adopted by the Government of His Majesty the German Emperor, with the exception of a slight difference in the mode of estimating the allowance for engine-room, and such rules are now in force in that country, having come into operation on the 1st day of January 1873.

Her Majesty is hereby pleased, by and with the advice of Her Privy Council, to direct as follows:—

1st.—As regards sailing ships: that merchant sailing ships of the said German Empire, the measurement whereof, after the said 1st day of January 1873, has been ascertained and denoted in the registers and other national papers of such sailing ships, testified by the date thereof, shall be deemed to be of the tonnage denoted in such registers and other national papers in the same manner, and to the same extent, and for the same purpose, in, to, and for which the tonnage

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denoted in the certificate of registry of British sailing ships is deemed to be the tonnage of such ships.

2nd.—As regards steam-ships: the merchant ships belonging to the said German Empire, which are propelled by steam, or any other power requiring engine-room, the measurement whereof shall, after the said 1st day of January 1873, have been ascertained and denoted in the registers and other national papers of such steam-ships, testified by the dates thereof, shall be deemed to be of the tonnage denoted in such registers or other national papers in the same manner, and to the same extent, and for the same purpose, in, to, and for which the tonnage denoted in the certificate of registry of British ships is deemed to be the tonnage of such ships. Provided, nevertheless, that if the owner or master of any such German steam-ship desires the deduction for engine-room in his ships to be estimated under the rules for engine-room measurement, and deduction applicable to British ships instead of under the German rule, the engine-room shall be measured and the deduction calculated according to the British rules.

AT THE COURT AT WINDSOR, THE 17TH DAY OF MARCH 1875.

PRESENT.

THE QUEEN'S EXCELLENT MAJESTY IN COUNCIL.

Whereas, by "the Merchant Shipping Act Amendment Act, 1862," it is enacted that, whenever it is made to appear to Her Majesty that the rules concerning the measurement of tonnage of merchant ships for the time being in force under the principal Act have been adopted by the Government of any foreign country, and are in force in that country, it shall be lawful for Her Majesty, by order in Council, to direct that the ships of such foreign country shall be deemed to be of the tonnage denoted in their certificates of registry or other national papers, and thereupon it shall no longer be necessary for such ships to be remeasured in any port or place in Her Majesty's dominions, but such ships shall be deemed to be of the tonnage denoted in their certificates of registry or other papers, in the same manner, to the same extent, and for the same purposes, in, to, and for which the tonnage denoted in the certificates of registry of British ships is to be deemed the tonnage of such ships.

And whereas it has been made to appear to Her Majesty that the rules concerning the measurement of tonnage of merchant ships now in force under "the Merchant Shipping Act, 1854," have been adopted in Sweden, by the Government of His Majesty the King of Sweden and Norway, and are to come into force in Sweden on the 1st day of April 1875.

Her Majesty is hereby pleased, by and with the advice of Her Privy Council, to direct that the ships of Sweden, the certificates of Swedish nationality and registry, or the certificates of measurement of which are dated on or after the first day of April one thousand eight hundred and seventy-five, shall be deemed to be of the tonnage denoted in the said certificates of Swedish nationality and registry, or certificates of measurement.

AT THE COURT AT WINDSOR, THE 17TH DAY OF MARCH 1875.

PRESENT.

THE QUEEN'S MOST EXCELLENT MAJESTY IN COUNCIL.

Whereas, by "the Merchant Shipping Act Amendment Act, 1862," it is enacted that, whenever it is made to appear to Her Majesty that the rules concerning the measurement of tonnage of merchant ships for the time being in force under the principal Act have been adopted by the Government of any foreign country, and are in force in that country, it shall be lawful for Her Majesty, by order in Council, to direct that the ships of such foreign country shall be deemed to be of the tonnage denoted in their certificate of registry or other national papers, and thereupon it shall no longer be necessary for such ships to be remeasured in any port or place in Her Majesty's dominions, but such ships shall be deemed to be of the tonnage denoted in their certificates of registry or other papers, in the same manner, and to the same extent, and for the

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same purposes, in, to, and for which the tonnage denoted in the certificate of registry of British ships is to be deemed the tonnage of such ships.

And whereas it has been made to appear to Her Majesty that the rules concerning the measurement of tonnage of merchant ships now in force under "the Merchant Shipping Act, 1854," have been adopted by the Government of His Majesty the King of Spain, with the exception of a difference in the mode in certain steamers of estimating the allowance for engine-room, and such rules are now in force in that country, having come into operation on the second day of December one thousand eight hundred and seventy-four.

Her Majesty is hereby pleased, by and with the advice of Her Privy Council, to direct as follows:—

1st.—As regards sailing ships: that merchant sailing ships of the said Kingdom of Spain, the measurement whereof, after the said second day of December one thousand eight hundred and seventy-four, has been ascertained and denoted in the registers and other national papers of such sailing ships, testified by the date thereof, shall be deemed to be of the tonnage denoted in such registers and other national papers in the same manner, and to the same extent, and for the same purpose, in, to, and for which the tonnage denoted in the certificate of registry of British sailing ships is deemed to be the tonnage of such ships.

2nd.—As regards steam-ships: that merchant ships belonging to the said Kingdom of Spain, which are propelled by steam or any other power requiring engine-room, the measurement whereof shall, after the said second day of December one thousand eight hundred and seventy-four, have been ascertained and denoted in the registers and other national papers in the same manner, and to the same extent, and for the same purpose, in, to, and for which the tonnage denoted in the certificate of registry of British ships is deemed to be the tonnage of such ships: Provided, nevertheless, that if the owner or master of any such Spanish steam-ship desires the deduction for engine-room in his ships to be estimated under the rules for engine-room measurement and deduction applicable to British ships instead of under the Spanish rule, the engine-room shall be measured and the deduction calculated according to the British rules.

(Signed) A. O. HUME,
Secretary to the Government of India.

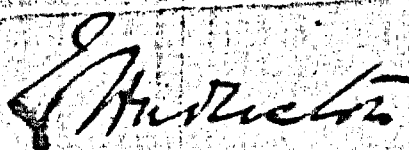
No. 5. ORDER THEREON, 4th January 1876, No. 2.

Copies of the papers above recorded will be forwarded to the Master Attendant, Madras, for communication to the several Conservators of Ports in this Presidency, for their information and guidance.

2. The Notification of the Government of India, No. 15, dated 31st January 1873, referred to in the foregoing letter, is republished in the *Port St. George Gazette* of the 11th February 1873, page 310.

See also Proceedings of Government, dated 18th February 1873, No. 60.

(True Extract.)



Chief Secretary.

To the Master Attendant, Madras,
,, Revenue Department.

Exd. A. S. Rodgers.

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To THE MASTER ATTENDANT,

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