

corresponding generally to those laid down in the Pensions (Increase) Acts, 1920 and 1924:

"And whereas under the aforesaid Regulations the expression 'married person' is defined as including 'a widower or widow with one or more children under 16 years of age dependent on him or her,' and the terms 'child' and 'children' are defined as including 'a step-child or step-children of the pensioner':

"And whereas we are of opinion that the terms 'child' and 'children' for the purpose of the Pensions Increase Regulations should include 'children adopted under the provisions of the Adoption of Children Act, 1926':

"We beg leave humbly to recommend that Your Majesty may be graciously pleased, by Your Order in Council, to sanction the amendment of the aforesaid Regulations accordingly.

"The Lords Commissioners of Your Majesty's Treasury have signified their concurrence in this proposal."

His Majesty, having taken the said Memorial into consideration, was pleased, by and with the advice of His Privy Council, to approve of what is therein proposed.

And the Right Honourable the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty are to give the necessary directions herein accordingly.

M. P. A. Hankey.

At the Court at *Buckingham Palace*, the 17th day of *December*, 1929.

PRESENT,

The KING's Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

WHEREAS it is provided by the Merchant Shipping (Equivalent Provisions) Act, 1925 (15 and 16 Geo. 5, c. 37) that where His Majesty is satisfied that (a) ships of a foreign country are required by the law of that country to comply with any provisions which are substantially the same as or equally effective with any provisions of the Merchant Shipping Acts which apply to foreign ships while they are within a port of the United Kingdom; and (b) that country has made or has undertaken to make provisions for the exemption of British ships, while they are within a port of that country, from the corresponding requirements of the law of that country, His Majesty may, by Order in Council, direct that any such provisions of the Merchant Shipping Acts as aforesaid shall not apply to any ship of that country within a port of the United Kingdom if it is proved that the ship complies with the corresponding provision of the law of that country applicable to that ship:

And whereas His Majesty is satisfied that Italian ships are required by the law of that country to comply with provisions which are substantially the same as or equally effective with those in the Merchant Shipping Acts relating to the survey and general equipment

of passenger steamers and with such of the provisions of the Act and of the Regulations made thereunder concerning emigrant ships as relate to survey; equipments; number of, and accommodation for, passengers; provisions, water and medical stores; dangerous goods and carriage of cattle; medical officer, staff and crew; and regulations as to steerage passengers which apply to foreign ships while they are within a port in the United Kingdom and that that country has made provision for the exemption of British ships while they are within a port of that country from the corresponding requirements of the law of that country:

Now, therefore, His Majesty, by virtue of the powers in this behalf by the said Act or otherwise in Him vested, is pleased, by and with the advice of His Privy Council, to order and it is hereby ordered, as follows:—

1. The provisions of the Merchant Shipping Acts relating to passenger steamers and emigrant ships as aforesaid shall not apply to any Italian ship within a port in the United Kingdom if it is proved that the ship complies with the corresponding provisions of the law of that country applicable to that ship.

2. This Order may be cited as the Merchant Shipping (Passenger Steamers and Emigrant Ships) Italian Ships Order, 1929.

M. P. A. Hankey.

At the Court at *Buckingham Palace*, the 17th day of *December*, 1929.

PRESENT,

The KING's Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

WHEREAS the Ecclesiastical Commissioners for England have, in pursuance of the Act of the 6th and 7th years of Her late Majesty Queen Victoria, Chapter 37, duly prepared, and laid before His Majesty in Council, a Scheme bearing date the 17th day of October, 1929, in the words and figures following, that is to say:—

"We, the Ecclesiastical Commissioners for England, in pursuance of the Act of the 6th and 7th years of Her late Majesty Queen Victoria, Chapter 37, have prepared, and now humbly lay before Your Majesty in Council, the following Scheme for authorising the sale and disposal of certain property situate in the County of Stafford now vested in us:

"Whereas the property particulars whereof are set forth in the Schedule hereunder written is now vested in us not subject to any outstanding beneficial lease or grant but in possession and we are desirous of selling the same or some portion thereof for the improvement of our Common Fund:

"Now, therefore, we humbly recommend and propose to Your Majesty that we may be authorised and empowered to sell or dispose of and duly to transfer or convey from time to time all or part of the said property described in the said Schedule for such consideration as shall appear to us to be just and reasonable.