

Her Majesty's Consular jurisdiction, should be suspended until the fourth day of August, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-nine.

Now, therefore, Her Majesty, by virtue and in exercise of the powers in this behalf by "The Foreign Jurisdiction Act, 1890," or otherwise in Her Majesty vested, is pleased by and with the advice of Her Privy Council to order, and it is hereby ordered, as follows:—

As regards all such matters and cases as come within the jurisdiction of the Japanese Courts, the operation of the Orders in Council regulating Her Majesty's Consular jurisdiction in the Empire of Japan, shall cease to be in force and operation within the said Empire as from the fourth day of August one thousand eight hundred and ninety-nine, except as regards any judicial matters pending in any of Her Majesty's Consular Courts in Japan on the day above mentioned.

And the Most Honourable the Marquess of Salisbury, K.G., one of Her Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State, and the Lords Commissioners of the Treasury, and the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty, are to give the necessary directions herein as to them may respectively appertain.

A. W. Fitz Roy.

At the Court at *Balmoral*, the 7th day of October, 1899.

PRESENT,

The QUEEN's Most Excellent Majesty.
His Royal Highness the Duke of Connaught and Strathearn.
Lord Balfour of Burleigh.
Sir Fleetwood Edwards.

WHEREAS by Treaty, grant, usage, sufferance, and other lawful means, Her Majesty the Queen has power and jurisdiction within the territories comprised within the limits of this Order:

Now, therefore, Her Majesty, by virtue, and in exercise of the powers on this behalf by "The Foreign Jurisdiction Act, 1890," or otherwise, in Her Majesty vested, is pleased, by and with the advice of Her Privy Council, to order, and it is hereby ordered, as follows:—

PART I.—*Preliminary.*

1. This Order may be cited as "The Somaliland Order in Council, 1899."

The limits of this Order are the territories comprised in the Somaliland Protectorate, which includes the territories bounded on the north by the Gulf of Aden, on the east and south by the territories under the Protectorate of Italy, and on the west by the territories of the Emperor of Ethiopia, and the French Protectorate of Jibuti.

If Her Majesty is pleased to direct that any other territories, for the time being under the protection of Her Majesty, shall form part of the Somaliland Protectorate, those territories shall, from and after a date fixed by an order of the Secretary of State, be deemed to be within the limits of this Order.

2. This Order is divided into Parts as follows:—

- Part I. Preliminary.
- Part II. Application and effect of Order.
- Part III. Application of law of British India and of the United Kingdom.
- Part IV. Criminal matters.
- Part V. Civil matters.
- Part VI. Miscellaneous.

3. In this Order:—

(i.) "The Protectorate" means the territories

for the time being comprised in Her Majesty's Somaliland Protectorate;

(ii.) "The Secretary of State" means one of Her Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State;

(iii.) "The Consul-General" means Her Majesty's Consul-General for the territories comprised within the limits of this Order, including a person acting temporarily, with the approval of the Secretary of State, as or for the Consul-General;

(iv.) "British subject" includes a British protected person, that is to say, a person who either (a) is a native of any Protectorate of Her Majesty beyond Africa and Arabia, and is for the time being in the Somaliland Protectorate, or (b) by virtue of "The Foreign Jurisdiction Act, 1890," or otherwise enjoys Her Majesty's protection in the Protectorate;

(v.) "Resident" means having a fixed place of abode in the Protectorate;

(vi.) "Native" means any person who is not a British subject as hereinbefore defined, or of European or American race or parentage;

(vii.) "Foreigner" means a subject or citizen of a State in amity with Her Majesty, not being a native as hereinbefore defined;

(viii.) "Protectorate Court" means the Court held by the Consul-General, or other Court exercising the principal civil and criminal jurisdiction in the Protectorate;

(ix.) "The Court" means the Protectorate Court and any Court subordinate thereto, as the case may be.

(x.) "Treaty" includes any Convention, Agreement, or Arrangement with any State or Government, King, Chief, people, or tribe, made by or on behalf of Her Majesty, or to the benefits of which Her Majesty has succeeded;

(xi.) "Administration" means (unless a contrary intention appears from the context) letters of administration, including the same with will annexed, or granted for special or limited purposes, or limited in duration;

(xii.) "Ship" includes any vessel used in navigation, however propelled, with her tackle, furniture, and apparel, and any boat or other craft;

(xiii.) "Offence" means any act or omission made punishable by any law for the time being in force;

(xiv.) "Imprisonment" means imprisonment of either description, as defined in the Indian Penal Code;

(xv.) "Month" means calendar month;

(xvi.) "Will" means will, codicil, or other testamentary instrument;

(xvii.) "Person" includes Corporation;

(xviii.) Words importing the plural or the singular may be construed as referring to one person or thing, or to more than one person or thing, and words importing the masculine as referring to females (as the case may require).

4.—(1.) Where this Order confers a power or imposes a duty, the power may be exercised and the duty shall be performed from time to time as occasion requires.

(2.) Where this Order confers a power or imposes a duty on the holder of an office, then, unless a contrary intention appears, the power may be exercised and the duty shall be performed by the holder of the office for the time being, or by a person duly appointed to act for him.

(3.) Where this Order confers a power to make Rules, Regulations, or Orders, the power shall be construed as including a power, exercisable in the like manner and subject to the like approval and conditions (if any) to rescind, revoke, amend, or vary the Rules, Regulations, or Orders.