the next following Session. The first Session shall be held within six months from the coming into operation of this Order.

50. The Governor may at any time, by proclamation, prorogue the Council

51. All questions proposed for debate in the Council shall be decided by the majority of votes, and the President shall have an original vote in common with the other Members of the Council, and also a casting vote if upon any question the votes shall be equal.

52. The Governor may, with the advice of the Council, from time to time make, amend or revoke, such Standing Rules and Orders as may he necessary to ensure punctuality of attendance of the Members of the Council, and to prevent meetings of the said Council being holden without convenient notice to the several Members thereof, and to maintein order and method in the despatch of business and in the cenduct of debates in the Council, and to secure due deliberation in the passing of Ordinances, and to provide that before the passing of any Ordinance intended to affect the interests of private persons due notice of the provisions thereof is given to all persons concerned therein.

All such Rules and Orders, not being repugnant to any Letters Patent for the time being in force in the Colony, or to any Order of His Majesty in Council or to any Instructions which the Governor may receive from His Majesty, shall at all times be followed and observed and shall be binding upon the said Council unless the same or any of them shall be disallowed by His Majesty.

And until any such Rules and Orders shall be made, and subject to any Rules and Orders to be so made, the Standing Rules and Orders of the Legislative Council of the Colony of Sierra Leone now in force shall remain in force and apply, so far as the same are applicable thereto, to the Council to be established in accordance with this Order.

53. Except as provided in Article 45 of this Order it shall be competent to any Member of the Council to propose any question relating to the affairs of Sierra Leone for debate therein, and if seconded by any other Member, such question shall be debated and disposed of in accordance with the Standing Rules and Orders: Provided that any resolution or question which any Member may propose to bring forward for debate shall be notified to the Governor at least seven days before the meeting of the Council.

54. This Order shall be published in the Gazette, and shall come into operation on a date to be fixed by the Governor by Proclamation in the said Gazette; and the Governor shall give directions for the publication of this Order at such places and in such manner and for such time or times as he thinks proper for giving due publicity thereto within Sierra Leone.

55. His Majesty may from time to time revoke, add to, alter, or amend this Order.

And the Most Noble the Duke of Devonshire, K.G., G.C.M.G., G.C.V.O., one of His Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State, is to give the necessary directions herein accordingly.

M. P. A. Hankey.

Privy Council Office, 14th October, 1924.

MERCHANT SHIPPING ACTS, 1894 to 1906.

Notice is hereby given, in accordance with the provisions of the Rules Publication Act, 1893, that after the expiration of forty days from the date hereof, it is proposed to submit to His Majesty in Council the draft of an Order in Council under section 80 of the Merchant Shipping Act, 1906, to provide for the registration as British Ships of vessels belonging to the Government of the Commonwealth of Australia.

And notice is hereby further given, that copies of the proposed draft Order in Council can be obtained by any public body within forty days of the date of this notice at the Privy Council Office, Whitehall.

Privy Council Office, 14th October, 1924.

NAVAL AND MARINE PAY AND PENSIONS ACT, 1865.

Notice is hereby given that the Admiralty Memorial dated the 12th April, 1923 (C.W. 6278/22), under the above mentioned Act approved by His Majesty's Order in Council of the 16th day of April, 1923, which Order was published in the London Gazette of the 20th April, 1923, should be read as if the words "30th October, 1922," were substituted therein for "30th October, 1923 " (page 2872, line 16).

Chancery of the Order of Saint Michael and Saint George.

Downing Street, 14th October, 1924.

The KING has been graciously pleased to give directions for the following promotion in the Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George:—

To be an Ordinary Member of the First Class, or Knights Grand Cross of the said Most Distinguished Order:-

General Sir Charles Fergusson, Bart., LL.D., K.C.B., K.C.M.G., D.S.O., M.V.O., Governor General and Commander-in-Chief designate of the Dominion of New Zealand.

The Home Secretary gives notice that in pursuance of Section 2 (1) of the Employment of Women, Young Persons and Children Act, 1920, he has made an order authorising the employment on two day shifts of women of 18 and young persons of 16 years of age and over in the finishing of bolts and nuts at the works of the Auto Machinery Company Limited, subject to the conditions that no worker shall be employed in the afternoon shift in consecutive weeks, and that suitable cloakroom and messroom accommodation, washing facilities and facilities for sitting shall be provided.

Whitehall.

13th October, 1924.

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