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TUESDAY, 4 AUGUST, 1931.

At the Court at *Buckingham Palace*, the 23rd day of *July*, 1931.

PRESENT,

The KING's Most Excellent Majesty.

Lord President.

Earl of Athlone.

Mr. Secretary Wedgwood Benn.

Sir Maurice de Bunsen.

**W**HEREAS by section 4 of the Merchant Shipping Act, 1894 (57-8 V. c. 60) (hereinafter referred to as the principal Act) it is (amongst other things) enacted that His Majesty may by Order in Council declare, with respect to any British possession named in the Order, not being the Channel Islands or the Isle of Man, the description of persons who are to be registrars of British ships in that possession:

And whereas by section 738 of the principal Act, it is (amongst other things) provided that where His Majesty has power under that Act to make an Order in Council His Majesty may from time to time by Order in Council revoke any Order so made:

And whereas there is in force an Order in Council namely the Merchant Shipping (Registrars of British ships in British India) Order, 1926, whereby the description of persons who are to be registrars of British ships in British India was declared, and it is expedient that the said Order be revoked:

And whereas the provisions of Section 1 of the Rules Publication Act, 1893, have been complied with:

Now, therefore, His Majesty, by virtue of the powers vested in Him by the principal Act, and by and with the advice of His Privy Council, is pleased to declare as follows, that is to say:—

1. At any port of registry in British India, the Principal Officer, Mercantile Marine Department, or where there is no such officer, the Port Officer, shall be the registrar of British ships.

2. The Merchant Shipping (Registrars of British Ships in British India) Order, 1926, is hereby revoked.

3. This Order may be cited as the Merchant Shipping (Registrars of British ships in India) Order, 1931.

*Colin Smith.*