At the Court at Buckingham Palace, the 9th day of November, 1931.

PRESENT.

The KING's Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

THEREAS by the Consular Salaries and Fees Act, 1891, 54-5 Vic. 36, His Majesty The King is authorised by Order in Council to fix the fees to be taken in respect of any matter or thing done by a Consular Officer in the execution of his office, and to vary such fees by way of increase or decrease, and to abolish fees, and to create new fees:

And whereas by certain Orders in Council fees to be taken by Consular Officers have been

And whereas it is expedient to amend certain fees:

Now, therefore, His Majesty, in pursuance of the before-mentioned Act, is pleased, by and with the advice of His Privy Council, to order, and it is hereby ordered, as follows:

I. This Order may be cited as the Consular Fees (Amendment) Order in Council, 1931.

II. Fees Nos. 76 and 78A are hereby amended as follows:~

£ s. d. Issue of a passport ... 0 15 0 78A. For renewing a passport For a period not exceeding 0 2 0 one year For a period exceeding one year, for each year or part of a year 020

III. This Order shall come into operation forthwith.

And the Right Honourable Sir John Simon, one of His Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State, is to give the necessary directions herein.

M. P. A. Hankey.

At the Court at Buckingham Palace, the 9th day of November, 1931.

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The KING's Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

WHEREAS on the 20th of January, 1914, an International Convention for the Safety of Life at Sea, and for purposes incidental thereto, was duly entered into by His Majesty and the other Signatory Powers more especially referred to and set out in the said Convention:

And whereas a Statute 4 & 5 Geo. 5. c. 50, intituled "An Act to make such amendments of the law relating to Merchant Shipping as are necessary or expedient to give effect to an International Convention for the safety of Life at Sea" (being the Convention above referred to) was passed on the 10th day of August, 1914, the short title of which is "The Merchant Shipping (Convention) Act, 1914":

And whereas by Section 29, Sub-section 5, of the said Act it was provided as follows:-

"This Act shall come into operation on

the 1st day of July, 1915:
"Provided that His Majesty may, by Order in Council from time to time, postpone the coming into operation of this Act for such period, not exceeding on any occasion of postponement one year, as may be specified in the Order ":

And whereas by divers Orders in Council the coming into operation of the said Act has been from time to time postponed, and now stands postponed, by virtue of an Order in Council of the 27th day of November, 1930, until the 1st day of January, 1932:

And whereas His Majesty deems it expedient that the provisions of the said Act should be

further postponed:

Now, therefore, His Majesty, by and with the advice of His Privy Council, in pursuance of the powers vested in Him by the aboverecited provision and all other powers Him thereunto enabling, doth order, and it is hereby ordered, that the provisions of the Merchant Shipping (Convention) Act, 1914, shall be postponed from coming into operation until the 1st day of January, 1933.

M. P. A. Hankey.

At the Court at Buckingham Palace, the 9th day of November, 1931.

PRESENT,

The KING's Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

WHEREAS the Ecclesiastical sioners for England have, in pursuance of the Union of Benefices Measure, 1923, duly prepared, and laid before His Majesty in Council, a Scheme bearing date the 15th day of January, 1931, in the words and figures following, that is to say:-

"We, the Ecclesiastical Commissioners for England, acting in pursuance of the Union of Benefices Measure, 1923, have prepared, and now humbly lay before Your Majesty in Council, the following Scheme for effecting the union of the Benefice of Petersmarland and the Benefice of Petrockstowe, both of which Benefices are situate in the County of Devon and in the Diocese of Exeter:

"Whereas Commissioners appointed at our request by the Right Reverend William, Bishop of Exeter, pursuant to the provisions of the said Union of Benefices Measure, 1923, to inquire into and report upon the union of the said two Benefices of Petersmarland and Petrockstowe duly made their Report to the said Bishop of Exeter, and therein recommended the union of the said two Benefices and the terms for effecting the union, and the said Bishop of Exeter signified in writing his approval of the said Report:

"And whereas we, the said Ecclesiastical Commissioners for England, have prepared this Scheme for the union of the said two Benefices based upon the terms recommended in the

said Report:

"And whereas the said Benefice of Petersmarland is now full, the Reverend William Henry Smale being the present Incumbent thereof, and the said Benefice of Petrockstowe is at present vacant:

"Now, therefore, we, the said Ecclesiastical Commissioners for England, with the consent of the said William, Bishop of Exeter (in