the like powers and authorities as are hereinafter expressed, it shall be lawful for His Majesty by Order in Council to direct, and from and after publication of such Order in the London Gazette it shall be and is hereby enacted, that whenever any subject of such foreign State shall die within the dominions of His Majesty and there shall be no person present at the time of such death who shall be rightfully entitled to administer to the estate of such deceased person, it shall be lawful for the Consul, Vice-Consul, or Consular Agent of such foreign State within that part of His Majesty's dominions where such foreign subject shall die to take possession and have the custody of the personal property of the deceased, and to apply the same in payment of his or her debts and funeral expenses, and to retain the surplus for the benefit of the persons entitled thereto; but such Consul, Vice-Consul, or Consular Agent shall immediately apply for and shall be entitled to obtain from the proper Court letters of administration of the effects of such deceased person, limited in such a manner and for such time as to such Court shall seem fit:

And whereas by Article 22 of the Treaty of Commerce and Navigation with the Estonian Republic signed at Reval on 18th January, 1926, it is provided as follows:—

1926, it is provided as follows: ---"When a subject or citizen of one of the two Contracting Parties dies within the territories of the other, leaving non-resident heirs, the consular representative of the former party is entitled, without express authorisation from such non-resident heirs, to represent them, so far as the laws of the other party do not expressly prohibit such representation, in all matters, appertaining to administration of the property and settlement of the estate with the right to collect the distributive shares of such heirs."

Now, therefore, His Majesty, by virtue and in exercise of the powers in this behalf by the Domicile Act, 1861, or otherwise in His Majesty vested, is pleased, by and with the advice of His Privy Council, to order, and it is hereby ordered, as follows:

1. This Order may be cited as "The Administration of Estates by Consular Officers (Estonia) Order in Council, 1939".

2. Subject to the provisions of this Order, Section 4 of the Domicile Act, 1861, shall, by reason of and in conformity with the aforesaid provisions of the Treaty of Commerce and Navigation of 1926, apply to Estonia.

3. This Order in Council shall apply to the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland.

Rupert B. Howorth.

At the Court at Buckingham Palace, the 13th day of October, 1939.

PRESENT,

The KING's Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

WHEREAS by Section 4 of the Domicile Act, 1861 (24 & 25 Vict. c. 121), it is enacted that whenever a Convention shall be made between His Majesty and any foreign State, whereby His Majesty's Consuls or Vice-Consuls in such foreign State shall receive the same or the like powers and authorities as are hereinafter expressed, it shall be lawful for His Majesty by Order in Council to direct, and from and after publication of such Order in the London Gazette it shall be and is hereby enacted, that whenever any subject of such foreign State shall die within the dominions of His Majesty and there shall be no person present at the time of such death who shall be rightfully entitled to administer to the estate of such deceased person, it shall be lawful for the Consul, Vice-Consul, or Consular Agent of such foreign State within that part of His Majesty's dominions where such foreign subject shall die to take possession and have the custody of the personal property of the deceased, and to apply the same in payment of his or her debts and funeral expenses, and to retain the surplus for the benefit of the persons entitled thereto; but such Consul, Vice-Consul, or Consular Agent shall immediately apply for and shall be entitled to obtain from the proper Court letters of administration of the effects of such deceased person, limited in such a manner and for such time as to such Court shall seem fit:

And whereas by Article 19 of the Treaty of Commerce and Navigation with the President of the Republic of Finland signed at Helsingfors on 14th December, 1923, it is provided as follows:—

follows: — "When a subject or citizen of one Contracting Party dies within the territories of the other, leaving non-resident heirs, the Consular representative of the former Party is entitled, without express authorization from such non-resident heirs, to represent them, so far as the laws of the other Party do not expressly prohibit such representation, in all matters pertaining to administration, probate and settlement of the estate, with the right to collect the distributive shares of such heirs."

Now, therefore, His Majesty, by virtue and in exercise of the powers in this behalf by the Domicile Act, 1861, or otherwise in His Majesty vested, is pleased, by and with the advice of His Privy Council, to order, and it is hereby ordered, as follows:

1. This Order may be cited as "The Administration of Estates by Consular Officers (Finland) Order in Council, 1939".

2. Subject to the provisions of this Order, Section 4 of the Domicile Act, 1861, shall, by reason of and in conformity with the aforesaid provisions of the Treaty of Commerce and Navigation of 1923, apply to Finland. 3. This Order in Council shall apply to the

3. This Order in Council shall apply to the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland.

Rupert B. Howorth.

At the Court at Buckingham Palace, the 13th day of October, 1939.

PRESENT,

The KING's Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

WHEREAS by Section 4 of the Domicile ct, 1861 (24 & 25 Vict. c. 121), 25 Act, is enacted that whenever Conit а between vention shall be made His Majesty and any foreign State, whereby His Majesty's Consuls or Vice-Consuls in such foreign State shall receive the same or the