

PROCLAMATIONS.

No. 1.

[L.S.] CLAUD SEVERN,
Officer Administering the Government.

By His Excellency CLAUD SEVERN, Companion of the Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George, the Officer Administering the Government of the Colony of Hongkong and its Dependencies :

Whereas by section 189 of the Army Act it is enacted that where the Governor of a Colony in which any of His Majesty's forces are serving declares at any time or times that by reason of the imminence of active service or of the recent existence of active service it is necessary for the public service that the forces in the Colony should be temporarily subject to the said Act as if they were on active service then on the publication in general orders of any such declaration the forces to which the declaration applies shall be deemed to be on active service for the period mentioned in the declaration so that the period mentioned in any one declaration do not exceed three months from the date thereof :

And Whereas by declaration made on the 5th day of August 1914 it was declared by Proclamation published in the *Government Gazette Extraordinary* dated the 5th day of August 1914 to be necessary for the public service that His Majesty's forces in the Colony be subject to the said Act for the period of three months from the date thereof as if they were on active service :

And Whereas by Proclamations made on the 4th day of November, 1914, 3rd February, 30th April, 30th July, and 29th October, 1915, 2nd February, 2nd May, 28th July, and 27th October, 1916, 2nd February, 2nd May, 2nd August, and 2nd November, 1917, and 3rd February, 26th April, and 26th July, 1918, the said declaration was renewed for a period of three months from time to time :

And Whereas by a Proclamation made on the 25th day of October 1918 the said declaration was renewed for a period of three months from the 3rd day of November 1918 :

And Whereas the said period of three months will expire on the 3rd day of February 1919 Now therefore I, CLAUD SEVERN, Companion of the Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George, the Officer Administering the Government of the Colony of Hongkong and its Dependencies, being of opinion that the necessity of His Majesty's forces in the Colony being subject to the said Act continues do hereby declare that by reason of the imminence of active service it is necessary for the public service that His Majesty's forces in this Colony be subject to the said Act for the further period of three months from and after the 3rd day of February 1919.

Given under my hand and the Public Seal of the Colony at Victoria Hongkong this 24th day of January 1919.

By Command,

A. G. M. FLETCHER,
Colonial Secretary.

GOD SAVE THE KING.

No. 2.

[L.S.] CLAUD SEVERN,
Officer Administering the Government.

By His Excellency CLAUD SEVERN, Companion of the Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George, the Officer Administering the Government of the Colony of Hongkong and its Dependencies :

Whereas by the second section of the Commissioners Powers Ordinance, 1886, it is enacted that the Governor in Council shall have power to nominate and appoint Commissioners under the public seal for the purpose of instituting, making, and conducting any enquiry that may be deemed advisable and for reporting thereon :

And Whereas the Officer Administering the Government in Council has deemed it advisable that an enquiry should be instituted, made, and conducted regarding the emoluments of the Public Service of the Colony :

Now I, CLAUD SEVERN, Companion of the Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George, the Officer Administering the Government of the Colony of Hongkong and its Dependencies, with the advice and consent of the Executive Council, hereby appoint you :—

Mr. CHARLES MONTAGUE EDE
The Honourable Mr. DAVID LANDALE
The Honourable Mr. CHARLES McILVAINE MESSER, O.B.E.
His Honour Sir WILLIAM REES DAVIES, Kt., K.C.
The Honourable Mr. ROBERT GORDON SHEWAN

to be Commissioners for the purpose of instituting, making, and conducting such enquiry :

And I do also appoint you, the said Sir WILLIAM REES DAVIES to be Chairman of the said Commissioners :

And I do also appoint Mr. JAMES ARTHUR EDWARD BULLOCK, Chief Clerk, Colonial Secretary's Office, to be Secretary to the said Commissioners :

And I do also order and direct that for all or any of the purposes of the said enquiry four Commissioners inclusive of the Chairman shall be and constitute a quorum :

And I do further, with the advice and consent of the Executive Council, order and direct that the said Commissioners shall have all the powers, rights, and privileges set out in the third section of the said Ordinance :

And I do further require you, the said Commissioners, to report to me your findings and your recommendations in the matter of the said enquiry before the 20th day of March, 1919.

Given under my hand and the Public Seal of the Colony at Victoria, Hongkong, this 24th day of January, 1919.

By Command,

A. G. M. FLETCHER,
Colonial Secretary.

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