

PROCLAMATIONS.

No. 5.

[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, 3rd February, 26th April, 26th July, and 25th October, 1918, and 24th January, 1919, 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 April 1919 the said declaration was renewed for a period of three months from the 3rd day of May 1919 :

And Whereas the said period of three months will expire on the 3rd day of August 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 August 1919.

Given under my hand and the Public Seal of the Colony at Victoria, Hongkong, this 2nd day of August, 1919.

By Command,

A. G. M. FLETCHER,
Colonial Secretary.

GOD SAVE THE KING.