

Majesty and the President of the French Republic respecting the postal service between France and the French Possessions and the United Kingdom and British Possessions ;

And whereas the ratifications of the said Convention were exchanged on the twenty-third March, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-one :

And whereas by "The Mail Ships (France) Order in Council, 1892," "The Mail Ships Act, 1891," is applied during the continuance of that Order as regards the said Convention, and as regards the French Republic and the postal service and mail ships described in that Convention ;

And whereas by section eight of the said Act it is provided that an Order in Council may, for the purpose of a Convention with a Foreign State, apply the said Act, subject to any exceptions or modifications not inconsistent with the provisions of the said Act, to any British Possession, and that the said Act, when so applied, should, subject to those exceptions and modifications, and subject as hereinafter mentioned, have effect as if it were re-enacted, with the substitution of such British Possession for the United Kingdom, provided that, before it should be applied to any British Possession named in the Schedule to the said Act, the Government of such Possession should have adhered to the Convention.

And whereas the Government of India, one of the possessions named in the Schedule to the said Act, has adhered to the said Convention, and it is expedient that the said Act should, for the purposes of the said Convention, apply to India, subject to the exceptions and modifications in this Order contained ;

Now, therefore, Her Majesty, by virtue and in exercise of the powers in this behalf by "The Mail Ships Act, 1891," or otherwise in Her Majesty vested, is pleased, by and with the advice of Her Privy Council, to order, and it is hereby ordered, as follows :—

1. "The Mail Ships Act, 1891" shall for the purpose of the said Convention apply to India, subject to the provisions of section eight of the said Act, and also to the exceptions and modifications following, that is to say :

(1.) The expression "Officer of Customs" means an officer of Customs authorized under "The Sea Customs Act, 1878," or other Law for the time being regulating sea customs in India.

(2.) The provisions of the said Act as to the amount of fines shall be read as if the amounts were stated in rupees at the rate of ten rupees to the pound sterling.

(3.) In lieu of sub-sections one and two of section seven of the said Act, the following provisions shall be substituted, that is to say :

Every fine under the said Act, if exceeding five hundred rupees, may be recovered by suit in the principal Civil Court having original jurisdiction in the place in which the person liable to the fine may be found.

A fine under the said Act not exceeding five hundred rupees may be recovered by criminal proceedings before a Presidency Magistrate, or Magistrate of the First Class, having jurisdiction in the place in which the person liable to the fine may be found, provided that (a) every offence for which a fine exceeding five hundred rupees can be imposed under the said Act may be prosecuted before such Magistrate, but the fine imposed on such conviction shall not exceed five hundred rupees ; and (b) in every case of conviction and fine by a Magistrate there shall be an appeal to the same Court as in other cases of fine of such

amount as, under the law for the time being in force in India, to give a right of appeal.

Every Court, whether of original or appellate jurisdiction, may reduce the amount of any fine.

(4.) The regulations required to be made under sub-section four of section seven of the said Act by the Commissioners of Customs with the consent of the Treasury shall in India be made by the Governor-General in Council.

(5.) Section five of the said Act, so far as relates to the Commissioners of Customs, shall not apply to India.

2. The said Act shall apply as regards any public ship of the French Republic when employed as a mail ship in the cases authorized by Article V of the said Convention.

3. This Order may be cited as "The Mail Ships (France) Order in Council (India), 1893."

And the Right Honourable the Earl of Rosebery, K.G., and the Right Honourable the Earl of Kimberley, K.G., two of Her Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State, are to give the necessary directions herein as to them may respectively appertain.

C. L. Peel.

AT the Court at Windsor, the 16th day of May, 1893.

PRESENT,

The QUEEN's Most Excellent Majesty.

Lord President.

Marquess of Ripon.

Mr. Secretary Asquith.

WHEREAS Her Majesty, by virtue of the authority committed to Her by the International Copyright Acts, 1844 to 1886, and having regard to the provisions of a Convention, the ratifications of which were exchanged on the fifth day of September, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-seven, between Her Majesty and the Governments of the foreign countries named in the said Order, was pleased to make an Order in Council, dated the twenty-eighth day of November, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-seven, with respect to the protection to be given by way of copyright to the authors of literary and artistic works first produced in one of the said foreign countries :

And whereas it has been intimated to Her Majesty's Government that the Government of the Principality of Montenegro have notified the accession of that country to the said Convention :

And whereas Her Majesty in Council is satisfied that the said Principality of Montenegro has made such provisions as it appears to Her Majesty expedient to require for the protection of authors of works first produced in Her Majesty's dominions :

Now, therefore, Her Majesty, by and with the advice of Her Privy Council, and by virtue of the authority committed to Her by the said Acts, doth declare, and it is hereby declared, that the provisions of the said Order hereinbefore specified shall extend to the said Principality of Montenegro.

This Order shall come into operation on and from the date hereof.

And the Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury are to give the necessary orders herein accordingly.

C. L. Peel