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At the Court at Buckingham Palace, the 16th day of February, 1903.

PRESENT.

The KING's Most Excellent Majesty in Council. This day the Most Reverend Randall Thomas, Lord Archbishop of Canterbury, K.C.V.O., was, by His Majesty's command, sworn of His Majesty's Most Honourable Privy Council, and took his place at the Board accordingly.

At the Court at Buckingham Palace, the 16th day of February, 1903.

PRESENT

The KING's Most Excellent Majesty. Archbishop of Canterbury. Lord President. Marquess of fondouderry. Lord Chamberlain.

WHEREAS by Treaty, capitulation, grant, usage, sufferance, and other lawful means, His Majesty the King has jurisdiction within the dominions of the King of Siam:

Now, therefore, His Majesty, by virtue and in exercise of the powers in this behalf by "The Foreign Jurisdiction Act, 1890," or otherwise in His Majesty v sted, is pleased by and with the advice of His Privy Council to order, and it is hereby ordered, as follows:-

PART I.—Preliminary and General.

1. This Order may be cited as "The Siam Order in Council, 1903."

2. This Order is divided into parts, as follows:

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- 3. In the construction of this Order the following words and expressions have the meanings hereby assigned to them, unless there be something in the subject or context repugnant thereto, that is to say :-
- "Administration" means letters of administration, including the same with will annexed or granted for special or limited purposes or limited in duration.
- "The Minister" means His Majesty's Minister, and includes Chargé d'Affaires or other chief Diplomatic Representative of His Majesty in Siam for the time being.
- "British merchant-ship" means a merchant ship being a British ship within the meaning of "The Merchant Shipping Act, 1894."
- "British subject" includes a British-protected person, that is to say, a person who either (a) is a native of any Protectorate of His Majesty, and is for the time being in Siam; or (b) by virtue of Section 15 of "The Foreign Jurisdiction Act, 1890," or otherwise enjoys His Majesty's protection in Siam.
- "Consular district" means the district in and for which a Consular officer usually acts, or for which he may be authorized to act, for all or any of the purposes of this Order by authority of the Sceretary of State.
- "Consular officer" means a Consul-General, Consul, Vice-Consul, Consular Agent, or Pro-Consul of His Majesty resident in Siam, including a person acting temporarily, with the approval of the Secretary of State, as or for a Consul-General, Consul, Vice-Consul, or Consular Agent of His Majesty so resident.
- "Consulate" and "Consular office" refer to the Consulate and office of a Consular officer.
- "The Court," except when the reference is to a particular Court, means any Court established under this Order, subject, however, to the provisions of this Order with respect to powers and local jurisdictions.
- "Foreigner" means a subject or citizen of a State in amity with His Majesty, other than Siam.
- "Legal practitioner" includes barrister-at-law, advocate, solicitor, Writer to the Signet, and any person possessing similar qualifications.