

hereinafter called the "Principal Order," and with the Siam Order in Council, 1909, and the said Orders and this Order may be cited together as "The Siam Orders in Council, 1906 to 1913."

2. The power of the Secretary of State under Article 57 (1) of the Principal Order to mitigate or remit the punishment awarded by any Court may be exercised by him either of his own motion, or upon the recommendation of any Court, or upon such medical or other evidence as he may think fit, and whether such punishment was awarded before or after the passing of this Order.

3. The power of the Judge of the Court for Siam under Article 108 of the Principal Order to make Rules of Court shall, from and after the passing of this Order, be exercised by the Minister, and the said power shall extend to Rules for the purpose of amending or repealing Rules in force at the date of this Order.

And the Right Honourable Sir Edward Grey, Baronet, K.G., M.P., one of His Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State, is to give the necessary directions herein.

*Almeric FitzRoy.*

At the Court at Buckingham Palace, the 7th day of March, 1913.

PRESENT,

The KING's Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

IN pursuance of the Spring Assizes Act, 1879, His Majesty is pleased, by and with the advice of His Most Honourable Privy Council, to order as follows:—

1. The Northern and Salford Divisions (as defined by the Order in Council of the 4th day of May, 1864) of the County of Lancaster shall, for the purpose of the next Spring Assizes, be united together under the name of the Spring Assize County, No. 2.

2. The said Spring Assizes for the said Spring Assize County shall be held at Manchester.

3. The Court at the said Spring Assizes at Manchester shall have jurisdiction to try any prisoner committed in the said Spring Assize County who may be brought before it, and shall have the same powers with respect to the trial of and passing sentence upon such prisoner as a Court of Oyer and Terminer and Gaol Delivery would have had at the Assizes in the County where, but for the said Spring Assizes Act, 1879, such prisoner would have been tried.

The provisions of section thirteen of the Sheriff's Act, 1887, shall apply to the execution of any capital sentence passed at such Assizes as herein mentioned; provided that the expression in the said section "the Sheriff of such County" shall mean the Sheriff of the County in which the prisoner so sentenced would have been tried if the Spring Assizes Act, 1879, had not been passed.

4. The Sheriff of the County of Lancaster shall act for the purpose of the said Spring Assizes for the said Spring Assize County.

5. The precepts of the Judges to the said Sheriff shall direct him to summon the Grand Jurors and Petty Jurors from the County of Lancaster.

6. The Gaol Delivery precept of the Judges to the said Sheriff shall direct him to cause the

prisoners from all the prisons in the said Spring Assize County who under the provisions of this Order will have to be tried at Manchester, to be brought there, and the Sheriff shall cause such prisoners to be brought accordingly without any writ of Habeas Corpus.

7. All Justices of the Peace, Mayors, Coroners, Escheators, Stewards, Bailiffs, Gaolers, Constables, Officers, and persons having authority, and being under an obligation to attend the Assizes for either Division comprised in the said Spring Assize County, or to certify, transmit, or deliver to the Court of Assize, or the proper officer thereof, any indictment, inquisition, recognizance, examination, deposition, or document, shall have the same authority and be under the same obligation to attend at the said Spring Assizes held for the said Spring Assize County, and to certify, transmit, or deliver to the Court of Assize, or the proper officer thereof, such indictment, inquisition, recognizance, examination, deposition, or document.

8. In all indictments and presentments at the said Spring Assizes the venue laid in the margin thereof shall, in addition to the name of the County where the offence is charged to have been committed, contain the words "Spring Assize County, No. 2."

9. Any person who, after the date of this Order, and before the said Spring Assizes, enters into a recognizance to appear and prosecute, or give evidence, or to appear and answer before a Court of Oyer and Terminer or General Gaol Delivery, to be holden for either of the Divisions constituting the said Spring Assize County, shall be bound to attend at the said Spring Assizes for the said Spring Assize County.

10. In all cases in which the like recognizances have been entered into in respect of any offence committed in either of the Divisions constituting the said Spring Assize County prior to the making of this Order, such recognizances shall be deemed to have been entered into for attendance at the said Spring Assizes for the said Spring Assize County, and every person bound by such recognizance shall be bound to appear at such last-mentioned Spring Assizes or forfeit his recognizance.

11. Ten days before the day fixed for the opening of the Commission at Manchester, a list of the prisoners to be removed for trial at the said Spring Assizes for the said Spring Assize County, so far as the same list can then be made out, shall, together with a short statement of the offences with which they are charged, be transmitted by the Gaoler of each prison in which such prisoners may be, to the Sheriff of the County of Lancaster, and the said Sheriff shall cause to be inserted in one or more newspapers in the Spring Assize County the said list and statement, and a notice that the persons bound by recognizances to appear and prosecute or give evidence for or against the prisoners so removed shall appear and prosecute and give evidence at Manchester.

12. It shall be lawful for the Gaoler of the Gaol in which prisoners who are to take their trial at the said Spring Assizes for the said Spring Assize County shall be in custody, three days before the day upon which the said Spring Assizes for the said Spring Assize County are appointed to be held, to send, without any writ of Habeas Corpus, such prisoners to His Majesty's Gaol at Strangeways, Manchester, in the County of Lancaster, for the purposes of