

Foreign Office,
July 20, 1915.

The Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs has received from His Majesty's Ambassador at Rome the following translation of a Royal Decree, dated July 4th, and published in the Italian Official Gazette of the 8th:—

ARTICLE 1.—The Blockade declared by the Royal Government on the 26th and 30th May, 1915, is extended to the whole zone of the Adriatic Sea to the North of the Otranto-Aspri-Ruga (Strade Bianchi) line.

Consequently the navigation of the Adriatic Sea to the North of this Line by merchant ships of any nationality is forbidden.

ARTICLE 2.—The Minister of Marine, or the Authorities delegated by him, may nevertheless grant, after necessary enquiries, special safe-conducts to merchant ships desirous of proceeding to ports belonging to or occupied by Italy or Montenegro.

Vessels desirous of entering the Adriatic must proceed to Gallipoli (Apulia), where the safe-conducts of entry must be obtained.

For leaving the Adriatic, vessels after having received permission at the port of departure must proceed to Bari, where they will be furnished with the safe-conducts of departure.

Vessels provided with safe-conducts must cross the blockade line Otranto-Aspri-Ruga (Strade Bianchi) during daytime only. They must stop on that line at a distance not greater than 5 miles from the Italian shore to be visited by the men-of-war destined for that purpose.

ARTICLE 3.—The rules laid down in our decree of June 13th, 1915, No. 899, as well as any special regulations which the naval authorities may think fit to enforce on vessels entering or leaving the Adriatic, must be observed by all merchant vessels of whatever nationality navigating in the Adriatic in the circumstances provided for in Article 2.

ARTICLE 4.—Vessels contravening the rules laid down in the preceding articles will be considered guilty of violation of the blockade, and are liable to capture and confiscation, together with their cargoes, according to the regulations in force.

ARTICLE 5.—The present decree will come into force on July 6th, 1915.

Foreign Office,
January 30, 1915.

The KING has been graciously pleased to appoint:—

Arthur Morison Chalmers, Esq., to be His Majesty's Consul-General for the Consular District of Kanagawa (Yokohama), comprising the Prefectures of Kanagawa, Miyagi, Yamagata, Fukushima, Niigata, Tochigi, Ibaraki, Gumma, Saitama, Chiba, Nagano, Yamanashi, Shidzuoka and Gifu, but excluding the City of Tokio, to reside at Yokohama.

Foreign Office,
June 8, 1915.

The KING has been graciously pleased to appoint:—

Spencer Stuart Dickson, Esq., to be His Majesty's Consul for the Provinces of Santa Fé, Cordova, Corrientes and Entre Rios, to reside at Rosario.

Foreign Office,
June 30, 1915.

The KING has been graciously pleased to appoint:—

Robert Hyde Greg, Esq., to be a First Secretary in His Majesty's Diplomatic Service.

Foreign Office,
July 6, 1915.

The KING has been pleased to approve of:—

Monsieur Raphaël Monnet as Consul of France at Cardiff for the Counties of Brecknock, Carmarthen, Cardigan, Cornwall, Devon, Glamorgan, Gloucester, Hereford, Monmouth, Pembroke, Radnor, and Somerset, and the Scilly Isles;

Señor Don Salvador M. Caverro as Consul of Peru at Hong Kong;

Mr. Chia Wen Yien as Consul of China at Rangoon;

Mr. Juan Norman Hotchkiss as Consul of Ecuador at Birmingham;

Mr. H. A. Watters as Consul of Uruguay at Melbourne;

Mr. Lewis Simeon Lazarus as Consul of Chile at Suva, Fiji;

Señor Don José Maria Martinez y de Pons as Vice-Consul of Spain at London;

Señor Don Luis Mazzone as Vice-Consul of Uruguay at Malta; and

Mr. Ian Smith as Vice-Consul of Peru at Glasgow.

SHIPS WHOSE CARGOES, OR PART OF THEM, HAVE BEEN DETAINED.

(In continuation of previous notification published in the London Gazette of July 16, 1915.)

<i>List of Vessels.</i>		
Name of Vessel.	Nationality.	Cargo Detained at
Antigoni - - -	Greek - -	Mudros
Bandon - - -	British - -	Port Said
Thessaloniki -	Greek - -	Gibraltar

Foreign Office,
July 22, 1915.

Downing Street,
21st July, 1915.

The KING has been pleased to approve the appointment of Wilfrid Murray Wigley, Esquire (Magistrate, Saint Christopher), to be an Official Member of the Legislative Council of the Presidency of Saint Christopher and Nevis.

NATIONAL INSURANCE.

UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE.

UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE (CALCULATION OF INTEREST) REGULATIONS, 1915.

The Board of Trade, in pursuance of Section 91 of the National Insurance Act, 1911, hereby make the following Regulations:—

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Unemployment Insurance (Calculation of Interest) Regulations, 1915, and shall have effect as from the 10th day of August, 1914.

2.—(1) For the purposes of repayments to workmen or their personal representatives in