

posed to submit to His Majesty in Council the draft of an Order in Council under section 69 of the above Act, entitled the Government of Ireland (Modification of Old Age Pensions Acts) Order, 1922.

Notice is hereby further given, that, in accordance with the provisions of the Rules Publication Act, 1893, copies of the aforesaid Order in Council can be obtained by any public body within 40 days of the date of this Notice at the Privy Council Office, Whitehall.

*Privy Council Office, 3rd March, 1922.*

Notice is hereby given, that a Petition has been presented to His Majesty in Council by The British Trade Corporation, praying for the grant of a SUPPLEMENTAL CHARTER; and that His Majesty having referred the said Petition to a Committee of the Lords of the Council, all petitions for or against such grant should be sent to the Privy Council Office on or before the 13th day of March.

At the Court at *Buckingham Palace*, the 13th day of *December*, 1921.

PRESENT,

The KING's Most Excellent Majesty.

Earl of Lytton.

Mr. Secretary Shortt.

Sir Frederick Ponsonby.

Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.

**W**HEREAS by treaty, grant, usage, sufferance or other lawful means, His Majesty The King has jurisdiction in Abyssinia:

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 vested, is pleased, by and with the advice of His Privy Council, to order, and it is hereby ordered, as follows:—

1. This Order may be cited as "The Abyssinia (Amendment) Order in Council, 1921," and shall be read as one with the Abyssinia Order in Council, 1913, hereinafter called "the Principal Order."

2. The following provisions are substituted for articles 131 to 142 inclusive of the Principal Order:—

(1) A register of British subjects shall be kept in the office of every Consulate in Abyssinia.

(2) Every British subject resident in Abyssinia shall, in the month of January of each year, be registered at the Consulate of the Consular District within which he resides, provided that if some other Consulate is more easy of access, he may, with the assent of the Consular Officer, be registered there. A British subject arriving in Abyssinia must apply for registration within one month after his arrival; provided that a person who fails to apply for or to obtain registration within the time limited by this article may be registered at any time if he excuses his failure to the satisfaction of the Consular Officer.

(3) Where a person is in possession of a valid British passport, the Consular Officer shall, on the first registration of any such person, endorse on the passport without further fee

than that provided for in sub-article (6) hereunder a certificate of registration in such form as may be prescribed by the Secretary of State. Where any such person applies for the renewal of the registration and produces his passport, the renewal of the registration shall without further fee than that provided for in sub-article (6) hereunder be endorsed thereon.

(4) Every person who has not previously been registered applying to be registered under this Order shall, unless excused by the Consular Officer, attend personally for that purpose at the Consulate, but any person applying for the renewal of his registration need not attend personally unless directed by the Consular Officer so to do, provided that the registration of the wife or wives of a man who is registered under this Order may, if living with him, be effected without their personal attendance being required, and provided also that the registration of minors being his relatives in whatever degree, living with the head of a family who is registered under this Order, may be effected without their personal attendance being required.

(5) A person registered in any register of British subjects established in Abyssinia previously to the making of this Order shall be registered under the provisions of this Order, unless the Consular Officer is satisfied after enquiry that the previous registration was erroneous or that such person is not entitled to registration under the provisions of this Order.

(6) Every person shall, on every registration of himself, and on every renewal of the registration, pay a fee of two shillings and sixpence, or such other fee as the Secretary of State from time to time appoints. The amount of the fee may be uniform for all persons, or may vary according to the position and circumstances of different classes, if the Secretary of State from time to time so directs, but may not in any case exceed five shillings.

(7) Where any person applies to be registered, he shall be entitled, without a fee, to the assistance of the Consular Officer in the preparation of any affidavit that may be required.

(8) The Consular Officer may require the production of such evidence that an applicant for registration is entitled to the status of a British subject as he may see fit, but subject to such directions as may be issued by the Secretary of State.

(9) If any British subject neglects to obtain registration under the provisions of this Order, he shall not be entitled to be recognised or protected as a British subject in Abyssinia, and shall be liable to a fine not exceeding two pounds for each instance of such failure, but he shall, although not registered, be subject to the jurisdiction of His Majesty's Courts in Abyssinia.

3. From and after the commencement of this Order, articles 131 to 142 inclusive of the Principal Order are hereby repealed, but such repeal shall not prejudice any rights, obligations or liabilities accrued thereunder.

4.—(1) This Order shall take effect as soon as it is first exhibited in the public office of the Court of the Consul General, and that date is in this Order referred to as the commencement of the Order.