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28th Jan.

Previous Papers.

Legislation for controlling the transfer of British Ships to neutral nations during the continuance of the War.

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(MINUTES.)

Collector of Customs & Registrar of Shipping,

With telm. received from S.S. on 29th Jan.

for your information.

for C.S. 1 Feb. 1915.

Hon:Col:Sect;

I See that byt the English papers, that when a Prize is Sold, each purchaser had to sign a declaration that he was not an alien enemy, that he was not interested in any business carried on in an enemy country, and that he had not bought the Ship on behalf of any German, Austrian or Turk.

2. I would Suggest that local legislation might be passed to cover the above as well.

Registrar of Shipping &c.

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9th February 1915.

Subsequent Papers.

H.E.the Governor,

Submitted.

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Office,

The following telegram was recd from the Sec. of State for the Colonies this morning. Jacket and hold over maxwakikax after passing to Col. of Customs & Registrar of Shipping to note.

29/1/15

Pending the passing ky legislation by Parliament for the purpose of controlling the transfer of British ships to neutrals during the continuance of the war, you shd issue Proclamation prohibiting the exportation of vessels to all destinations other than the United Kingdom and British Possessions. Prohibition shd be enforced only in cases in which there is ground for supposing that it is proposed to transfer a pritish vessel toa foreign flag and all such cases should be referred to me by telegraph as soon as possible for instructions. It shd be clearly understood by all concerned that no facilities shd be given and no formalities executed in connection with transfer of pritish ships to foreign flag without explanation to His Majesty's Government.

Harcourt.

A transfer I presume is of very infrequent occur rence in this Colony?