

CERTIFIED Copy of a Report of a Committee of the Honourable the Privy Council, approved by His Excellency the Governor-General in Council, on the 10th December, 1892.

On a report dated 6th December, 1892, from the Minister of Justice submitting for Your Excellency's consideration certain general rules and orders, made by the judge of the Exchequer Court of Canada on the 5th December instant, for regulating the practice and procedure in that court in Admiralty cases. These rules and orders, under the provisions of section 25 of *The Admiralty Act*, 1891, require the approval of Your Excellency in Council, and under the provisions of section 7 of *The Colonial Courts of Admiralty Act*, 1890, they will not come into operation until they have been approved also by Her Majesty in Council.

The Minister is of opinion that they are such as should receive approval of Your Excellency in Council, and he recommends accordingly.

The Minister further recommends that a copy of them be transmitted to the Right Honourable Her Majesty's Principal Secretary of State for the Colonies with a request that he will cause them to be submitted to Her Majesty in Council for approval.

The Minister further suggests that in the Despatch transmitting these rules and orders, attention be called, with a view to such action thereunder as to Her Majesty in Council may seem proper, to the provisions of subsection 2 of section 7 of *The Colonial Courts of Admiralty Act* under which Her Majesty in Council may, in approving rules made under the section, declare that rules with respect to any matters which appear to Her Majesty to be matters of detail or of local concern may be revoked, varied or added to, without the approval required by the section.

The Committee advise that Your Excellency be moved to take action in the sense of the recommendation of the Minister of Justice.

All of which is respectfully submitted for Your Excellency's approval.

JOHN J. MCGEE.

Clerk of the Privy Council.

To the Honourable
The Minister of Justice.