

This rule shall be construed as one with the rules relating to life-saving appliances dated the 10th February, 1902, and the 24th May, 1909, and shall come into effect on the first day of June, 1910.
Dated this 19th day of April, 1910.

H. LLEWELLYN SMITH,
Secretary to the Board of Trade.
WALTER J. HOWELL,
Assistant Secretary, Marine Department.

STOWAGE OF BOATS.

Notwithstanding anything contained in the rules relating to life-saving appliances dated the 10th February, 1902, and the 24th May, 1909, it shall be permissible in the case of such passenger or emigrant steamships as are required by the rules dated the 10th February, 1902, to carry eight or more boats placed under davits, for boats, not exceeding in all one-fourth of the number required by the rules to be placed under davits, to be carried inboard; provided that each boat carried inboard is stowed alongside a boat which is placed directly under davits, and is so arranged that it can be launched promptly. A boat which is carried inboard under this rule need not be always attached to the davit-tackles.

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New Zealand, No. 146.

MY LORD,—

Downing Street, 13th July, 1910.

With reference to my despatch, No. 159, of the 14th August, 1909, I have the honour to transmit to you, to be laid before your Ministers, the accompanying copy of a letter from the Foreign Office, relative to the grant of Customs facilities to Consuls-General and Consuls de carrière in the Argentine Republic, and the proposed grant of reciprocal facilities to Argentine consular officers in the United Kingdom and India.

I have, &c.,

CREWE.

Governor the Right Hon. Lord Islington, D.S.O., &c.

Enclosures

SIR,—

Foreign Office, 4th July, 1910.

With reference to my letter of the 28th ultimo, and previous correspondence, relative to the grant of certain Customs facilities to foreign consular officers in His Majesty's dominions, I am directed by Secretary Sir E. Grey to transmit herewith, for the information of the Earl of Crewe, a copy of a despatch from His Majesty's Minister at Buenos Aires, enclosing an extract from the Argentine Regulations governing Diplomatic Ceremonial, according, on a basis of reciprocity, certain Customs exemptions to Consuls-General and Consuls de carrière in the Argentine Republic.

In view of the facilities therein granted, Sir E. Grey is communicating a copy of this extract to the Treasury and the India Office, with the suggestion that steps should be taken to accord reciprocal facilities to Argentine consular officers in the United Kingdom and India, as was done in the case of the United States, Mexico, and Cuba. Should Lord Crewe see no objection, he would therefore further suggest that similar steps should be taken, so far as may be necessary, with regard to His Majesty's colonies.

I am, &c.,

The Under-Secretary of State, Colonial Office.

F. A. CAMPBELL.

SIR,—

Buenos Aires, 25th May, 1910.

With reference to your despatch of this series, No. 5 (12854/10), of the 22nd April, I have the honour to enclose herewith translation of an extract from the Argentine Regulations governing Diplomatic Ceremonial, setting forth the Customs exemptions conceded to diplomatic representatives and their staffs, as well as to Consuls-General and Consuls de carrière, on their first arrival in this country.

You will perceive that these exceptions are based on reciprocity.

Articles for the current use of the consulate offices may be imported free on the same basis.

The decree dated the 29th December, 1909, referred to in the despatch from the Government of India to the India Office (No. 45, of the 17th March last), is merely one of the usual Ministerial resolutions conceding the free entry of certain private articles which I imported about that date, and which are issued after every request for the free entry of goods through the Argentine Customs.

I have, &c.,

Sir Edward Grey, Bart., &c.

WALTER TOWNLEY.

EXTRACT FROM ARGENTINE REGULATIONS GOVERNING DIPLOMATIC CEREMONIAL. DECREE OF THE 21ST FEBRUARY, 1908.

Article 61. The heads of missions, secretaries and other members of the legation staff, together with their families, shall enjoy such Customs exemptions as the laws and the decrees of the Ministries of Foreign Affairs and Finance shall allow, on the basis of reciprocity.

Article 62. Consuls-General and Consuls de carrière shall enjoy similar exemptions on the same basis for those articles which they may import on their first arrival.