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saving appliances has been fully considered and that such provision is considered impracticable even in the case of the vessels over 100 feet in length covered by the proposed regulation.

The regulation as drafted provides that sufficient buoyant apparatus or life jackets shall be carried for the total number of persons on board. This would allow the provision of an equipment consisting apart from lifebuoys. solely of lifejackets and the Board could not regard this as a satisfactory equipment for a vessel coming under their regulations. The Board regard the life jacket as a supplementary appliance which constitutes a valuable means of affording assistance to the individual, but on small vessels their utility is limited and proper provision for their stowage cannot as a rule be made. In the event of a casualty to a small vessel, sufficient time would probably not be available to enable the passengers and crew to obtain and put on the lifejackets; and the safety of the persons on board is more efficiently secured by the provision of sucyant apparatus. In this connection it is observed that the accident which is quoted in the High Commissioner's despatch of 24th August was the capsizing of a dhow during a squall, and in such a case it seems very doubtful whether life jackets

could have been effectively utilised.

For the reasons explained above, the Board's regulations require vessels to carry boats or buoyant apparatus for the whole or as large a percentage as possible of the total number of persons on board. They generally require in addition a lifejacket for each person carried except in cases such as those referred to above where lifejackets are considered of little value when the Board are prepared to waive the requirement to carry a lifejacket for every person carried on condition that the boats or buoyant apparatus carried are sufficient for all on board.

The Board suggest that, as a basis consistent with that adopted in the regulations applicable to steam vessels plying on Lake Victoria, consideration might be given to the following provisions respecting buoyant apparatus and lifejackets, in addition to the two or four lifebuoya required by the regulation as drafted:-

Approved buoyant apparatus sufficient for a good percentage (say up to 60) of the total number of persons on board, should be provided together with a life jacket for each person on board.

Where life jackets cannot be so stowed as to be readily accessible to all persons on board in smargency, permission may be granted to dispense with these appliances, but in such a case approved buoyant appearatus sufficient for all persons on board should



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I have the honour to refer to Lord Passfield's despatch KENYA No.97 dated 20th January, 1930, which forwarded copies of Additional Regulations dated 12th January, 1930, made by him under the Lakes Victoria and Kicza Navigation Order in Council, 1921, and to invite attention to Section 6, Part II, of the Regulations contained in the Schedule to the Order in Council, wherein provision is made for the equipment of steam vessels plying on Lake Victoria with adequate life saving appliances, but no corresponding provision is made for craft other than steam vessels.

- 2. An accident recently occurred to a dhow during a squall off Kendu, when it capsized and a native woman was drowned. The dhow, which carried no life saving appliances, was overhanded and repaired in November last and was then granted a Certificate of Seaworthiness for a period of six months.
- In order to prevent, or in any case to minimise the chances of loss of life in similar accidents in future, it appears to me essential that dhows and similar craft should be called upon to carry life saving applicances in proportion to the number of persons likely to be on board; I have consulted the Governments of Kenya, Tanganyika permittery and Uganda on this matter and those Governments have expressed their concurrence in my views.
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 A copy of this despatch has been forwarded to the Governments of Kenya, Tangangika Territory and Uganda.

I have the honour to be,.

Sir,

Your most obedient, humble servant,

MIGH COMMISSIONER.

LAKES VICTORIA AND KIOGA NAVIGATION ORDER IN COUNCIL, 1921.

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ADDITIONAL REGULATIONS.

In exercise of the powers conferred by the Lakes
Victoria and Kioga Navigation Order in Council, 1921, the
Secretary of State for the Colonies hereby makes the following
additional Regulations, namely:-

Short title.

- (1) These Regulations may be cited as the Lakes Victoria and Kioga Mavigation (Amendment) Regulations, 1932, and shall be read as one with and part of the Lakes Victoria and Kioga Mavigation Regulations, 1921, (hereinafter called the "Principal Regulations").
- (2) The following Regulation, to be numbered 11, shall be deemed to be added to Part II of the Principal Regulations:

 11. All vessels plying on Lake Victoria other than steam vessels, yachts, vessels or boats used solely for pleasure or private purposes and native cances shall carry in the case of vessels under 100 feet in length two life-buoys and sufficient approved buoyant apparatus or life jackets to provide for the total number of persons on board and in the case of vessels over 100 feet in length four lifebuoys and sufficient approved buoyant apparatus or life jackets to provide for the total number of persons on board.

Date of coming into (3) The respective Governors of the Colony of Kenyu, the operation.

Uganda Protectorate and the Tanganyika Territory, shall cause these Regulations to be published in the respective Gazettes of the said territories on the same day, and these Regulations shall come into operation on that date.