

Enclosure.

SIR,— Cook Islands Administration, Rarotonga, 25th January, 1910.
I have the honour to inform you that you have been appointed a Local Fruit Inspector under the Fruit Inspection and Diseases Ordinance, 1909, with power to appoint, in writing, some fit and proper person to act for you on steamer-days.

When the Inspector happens to be on your island you will kindly take your instructions from him in so far as the question of fruit is concerned.

It is my intention to send the Inspector round to instruct you in your new duties.

I enclose for your information copy of *Gazette* of the 21st instant, containing your appointment, and also a copy of the Fruit Inspection and Diseases Ordinance, 1909, and the regulations thereunder, together with a supply of forms of certificate. The latter, when signed by you, will be handed to the consignor, to be in turn sent to the consignee.

I have, &c.,
J. EMAN SMITH,
Resident Commissioner.

No. 29.

SIR,— Cook Islands Administration, Wellington, 15th February, 1910.
I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 25th January last, stating that the Resident Agents at Mangaia, Aitutaki, and Atiu have been gazetted Local Inspectors under the Fruit Inspection and Diseases Ordinance, 1909.

The Resident Commissioner, Rarotonga.

I have, &c.,
J. CARROLL.

WRECK OF SCHOONER "ALICE" AT RAKAHANGA.

No. 30.

SIR,— Cook Islands Administration, Rarotonga, 10th December, 1909.
I have the honour to inform you that the schooner "Alice," 117 tons net register, under charter to the Cook Island Trading Company, of Rarotonga, in charge of Captain Schroder, went ashore in calm weather on the reef at Rakahanga on the 27th September last, becoming a total wreck. I am pleased to state that no lives were lost.

The schooner was loaded for Rarotonga with a cargo of copra, about half of which was saved by the efforts of the Natives. What mails she had on board were also saved.

The "Alice" was owned in Norway.

I have, &c.,
J. EMAN SMITH,
Resident Commissioner.

The Hon. James Carroll,
Minister in Charge, Cook Islands Administration, Wellington.

No. 31.

SIR,— Cook Islands Administration, Wellington, 20th December, 1909.
I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 10th instant, reporting the wreck of the schooner "Alice" at Rakahanga.

The Resident Commissioner, Rarotonga.

I have, &c.,
J. CARROLL.

ELECTION OF MEMBER OF MANGAIA ISLAND COUNCIL.

No. 32.

SIR,— Cook Islands Administration, Rarotonga, 9th February, 1910.
I have the honour to inform you that at an extraordinary election, held on the 12th January, 1910, at Ivirua, Mangaia Island, Taka was duly elected a member of the Mangaia Island Council, *vice* Puroku deceased.

The election will be duly gazetted in the *Cook Islands Gazette*, and was conducted with the approval and in the presence of the Resident Agent of Mangaia.

I have, &c.,
J. EMAN SMITH,
Resident Commissioner.

The Hon. James Carroll,
Minister in Charge, Cook Islands Administration, Wellington.

No. 33.

SIR,— Cook Islands Administration, Wellington, 1st March, 1910.
I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 9th February last, reporting the election of Taka to be a member of the Mangaia Island Council, *vice* Puroku, deceased.

The Resident Commissioner, Rarotonga.

I have, &c.,
J. CARROLL.