

NIUE ISLAND ORDINANCES.

NIUE ISLAND PUBLIC HEALTH ORDINANCE.

SIR,—

Niue Island Administration, Niue, 12th September, 1912.

I have the honour to forward herewith an Ordinance entitled the Niue Island Public Health Ordinance, 1912, which was passed by the Niue Island Council on the 10th instant. Two copies of the English version and two copies in the Niue language are being forwarded.

When the Ordinance has been assented to by His Excellency the Governor, I should be glad if you would cause a hundred copies of each version to be printed and forwarded to me.

I have, &c.,

H. CORNWALL,

Resident Commissioner.

The Hon. the Minister in Charge, Cook and other Islands Administration, Wellington.

SIR,—

Cook Islands Administration Department, Wellington, 26th March, 1913.

I have the honour to forward to you herewith the Niue Island Public Health Ordinance, 1912 (Maori and English), which received the assent of His Excellency the Governor on the 18th November last. I also forward a hundred printed copies of each version as requested.

Your letter of 3rd inst. (193/7/26) on this subject has been duly received.

I have, &c.,

F. G. TWISS,

Acting-Secretary for the Cook Islands.

The Resident Commissioner, Niue.

ORDINANCE NO. 28.—THE NIUE ISLAND PUBLIC HEALTH ORDINANCE, 1912.

BE IT ENACTED by the Niue Island Council as follows:—

1. The Short Title of this Ordinance is the Niue Island Public Health Ordinance, 1912.

2. In this Ordinance, if not inconsistent with the context, "Medical Officer" means the Resident Medical and Health Officer, or any person for the time being acting in that behalf, or any duly authorized agent of the Resident Medical and Health Officer or Acting Medical and Health Officer.

3. The Resident Commissioner may from time to time, by Proclamation, appoint any place in Niue to be a quarantine station at which passengers and goods from a ship may perform quarantine.

4. (1.) Whenever a ship is ordered into quarantine, then the provisions of the Public Health Act, 1908, of New Zealand, sections 113 to 149, both inclusive, and the regulations made thereunder, shall apply where practicable and where they are not inconsistent with any law in force in Niue.

(2.) Notwithstanding anything herein, or in the Public Health Act, 1908, or in the Niue Island Quarantine Regulations Ordinance, 1906, it shall not be obligatory on the part of the master or other person in charge of a ship to keep his ship at anchor at Niue during the period of quarantine, and such master or other person in charge may take such ship to sea for the whole or any part of the period of quarantine.

(3.) All penalties provided under the Public Health Act, 1908, of New Zealand, sections 113 and 149, both inclusive, may be imposed and recovered in the Resident Commissioner's Court.

5. (1.) The Resident Commissioner may, by Proclamation, appoint any place, village, or district, to be a place where persons affected with any dangerous, infectious, or contagious disease shall be isolated, and during the currency of such Proclamation it shall be unlawful for any person to enter or leave such place without first obtaining permission from the Medical Officer.

(2.) Any person who infringes the provisions of this section shall be liable on conviction to a fine not exceeding twenty pounds, or hard labour with or without imprisonment for a term not exceeding six months.

6. (1.) The Medical Officer is hereby empowered to take all necessary action with the view of preventing the spread of any dangerous, infectious, or contagious disease, and may order to be destroyed any clothes, bedding, or other things that have been exposed to infection or contagion.

(2.) In the case of things destroyed by order of the Medical Officer, reasonable compensation shall be paid by the Niue Island Administration.

(3.) Any person who wilfully disobeys any order given by the Medical Officer under this section shall be liable on conviction to a fine not exceeding twenty pounds, or hard labour with or without imprisonment for a term not exceeding six months.

7. For the purposes of sections five and six hereof the decision of the Medical Officer as to what are dangerous, infectious, or contagious diseases shall be final.

8. Upon the issue of any Proclamation as prescribed in sections three and five hereof all members of the Island Council, Magistrates, and Police shall be deemed to be and shall be officers appointed under this Ordinance to generally assist the Medical Officer in the prevention of the spread of disease, and shall at once report themselves to the Medical Officer for duty.