

appear inconsistent with obligations imposed upon us by treaty. (8.) Any ordinance interfering with the discipline or control of our forces by land or sea. (9.) Any ordinance of an extraordinary nature and importance, whereby our prerogative or the rights and property of our subjects not residing in the possession, or the trade and shipping of our United Kingdom and its dependencies, may be prejudiced. (10.) Any ordinance whereby persons not of European birth or descent may be subjected or made liable to any disabilities or restrictions to which persons of European birth or descent are not also subjected or made liable. (11.) Any ordinance authorising the purchase of land by private persons, except from the Administrator or purchasers from him. (12.) Any ordinance providing for the deportation of natives either from one part of the possession to another, or to places beyond the possession. (13.) Any ordinance providing for the supply of arms, ammunition, intoxicants, or opium to natives. (14.) Any ordinance containing provisions to which our assent has been once refused, or which have been disallowed by us. Unless such ordinance shall contain a clause suspending the operation of such ordinance until the signification of our pleasure thereupon, or unless, when the ordinance comes under one of the classes numbered one to ten inclusive, or fourteen, the Administrator shall have satisfied himself that an urgent necessity exists requiring that such ordinance be brought into immediate operation, in which case he is authorised to assent in our name to such ordinance, unless the same shall be repugnant to the law of England, or inconsistent with any obligations imposed on us by treaty. But he is to transmit to us by the earliest opportunity the ordinance so assented to, together with his reasons for assenting thereto.

XXIV. *Private ordinances.*—No private ordinance shall be passed whereby the property of any private person may be affected in which there is not a saving of the rights of us, our heirs and successors, and of all bodies, politic or corporate, and of all other persons except such as are mentioned in the said ordinance, and those claiming by, from, and under them. The Administrator shall not assent in our name to any private ordinance until proof be made before him in the Executive Council, and recorded in the minutes thereof, that adequate and timely notification, by public advertisement or otherwise, was made of the parties' intention to apply for such ordinance before the same was brought into the Legislative Council; and a certificate under his hand shall be transmitted with and annexed to every such private ordinance, signifying that such notification has been given, and declaring the manner of giving the same.

XXV. *Ordinances to be sent Home duly authenticated.*—When any ordinance shall have been passed in the Legislative Council, the Administrator shall transmit to us, through the Governor, for our final approval, disallowance, or other direction thereupon, a full and exact copy in duplicate of the same, and of the marginal summary thereof, duly authenticated under the Public Seal of the possession, and by his own signature. Such copy shall be accompanied by such explanatory observations as may be required to exhibit the reasons and occasions for passing such ordinance.

XXVI. *Collection of ordinances to be published every year.*—At the earliest practicable period at the commencement of each year the Administrator shall cause a complete collection to be published, for general information, of all ordinances enacted during the preceding year.

XXVII. *Minutes of proceedings to be kept. Minutes to be sent to Governor twice a year.*—Minutes shall be regularly kept of all the proceedings of the Legislative Council; and at each meeting of the Council the minutes of the last preceding meeting shall be read over, and confirmed or amended, as the case may require, before proceeding to the despatch of any other business. Twice in each year the Administrator shall forward to the Governor, for transmission to us through one of our principal Secretaries of State, a full and exact copy of the said minutes for the preceding half-year.

XXVIII. *Estimates of receipts and expenditure.*—The Administrator shall in each year transmit to the Governor, in sufficient time to be examined and returned before the end of the year, an estimate of the public revenue and expenditure of the possession for the following year. The expenditure of each year shall be legalised by an appropriation ordinance, and the Administrator shall not include in such ordinance any item of proposed expenditure which shall have been disallowed by the Governor.

XXIX. *Money grants.*—The Administrator is to take care that no public money whatever, whether it be appropriated to any particular service or not by the ordinance granting the same, be issued and disposed of otherwise than by warrant under his hand.

XXX. *Accounts for audit.*—The Administrator shall at convenient times transmit to the Governor, for audit by officers of the Government of our Colony of Queensland, all accounts of public revenue and expenditure of the possession.

XXXI. *Administrator to promote religion and education.*—The Administrator is to the utmost of his power to promote religion and education among the native inhabitants of the possession; and he is especially to take care to protect them in their persons and in the free enjoyment of their land and other possessions, and by all lawful means to prevent and restrain all violence and injustice which may in any manner be practised or attempted against them; and he is to adopt and support such measures as may appear to him conducive to their civilisation and as tend to the suppression of barbarous customs among such natives.

XXXII. *Surveys and reservations to be made before waste lands are disposed of. Administrator not to purchase lands.*—Before disposing of any vacant or waste land to us belonging, the Administrator shall, whenever practicable, cause the same to be surveyed, and such reservations to be made thereout as he may think necessary for roads or other public purposes. The Administrator shall not, directly or indirectly, purchase for himself any of such lands without our special permission given through one of our principal Secretaries of State.

XXXIII. *Appointments to be provisional and during pleasure.*—All commissions to be granted by the Administrator to any person or persons for exercising any office or employment shall, unless otherwise provided by law, be granted during pleasure only; and whenever the Administrator shall appoint to any vacant office or employment any person not by us specially directed to be appointed