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| For shipping or discharging seamen, or for any alteration in agreement, or for certifying | £   | s.  | d.   |
| to a desertion, in each case                                                              | ... | ... | ...  |
| For examining provisions or water (to be paid by person who proves to be in default)      | ... | 0   | 2 0  |
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## REGULATIONS FOR THE POST OFFICE MADE BY VIRTUE OF THE LAW OF 10TH JUNE, 1891.

THE following regulations made by the Government under "The Provisional Powers Act, 1891," are published for general information:—

1. A Chief Postmaster will be appointed at Rarotonga, with postmasters in the other islands.
2. The Chief Postmaster will be responsible for the proper conduct of the department, and all other Postmasters will be under his direct control.
3. Every master of a sailing-vessel arriving in Rarotonga, or in in any of the other islands of the group, will take on board any mails that may be sent by the Postmaster of the island, and give a receipt for the same if required so to do.
4. Every master of a sailing-vessel leaving Rarotonga shall give to the Collector of Revenue not less than        hours' notice of his intended departure, and the said Collector will not clear his vessel unless at the expiration of the time for which such notice shall have been given. The Collector on receiving such notice will at once send it to the Postmaster.
5. Any person violating these regulations or neglecting to comply with the same will be liable to a fine not exceeding \$200.
6. All complaints made under these regulations will be by the Postmaster and in his name.

MAKEA, Chief of the Government.

Approved.—FREDERICK J. MOSS, British Resident, 17th July, 1891.

## PREVENTION OF THE INTRODUCTION OF DISEASE.

THE following regulations made by the Government under "The Provisional Powers Act, 1891," are published for general information:—

1. The Collector of Revenue will be the officer whose duty it will be to guard against the introduction of leprosy or other contagious or infectious disease.
2. No persons other than residents in the Cook Islands returning to their homes shall be landed at any of the islands, unless the vessel in which they arrive shall have been previously entered and cleared at Rarotonga, and any person infringing this regulation shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding \$1,000.
3. The Collector, if he see reason to do so, may, in any case where the passengers or crew come from a place known to be infested with leprosy or other contagious or infectious disease, prohibit their being landed at any of the islands until their case has been submitted to the Government, and its decision taken thereon. Any master of a vessel allowing such persons to land in violation of this regulation will be liable to a fine not exceeding \$500 dollars for every person so landed.
4. The decision of the Government in any cases referred by the Collector to them will be subject to the approval of the British Resident for the time being.

MAKEA, Chief of the Government.

Approved.—FREDERICK J. MOSS, British Resident, 17th July, 1891.

## REGULATIONS FOR PUBLIC SCHOOLS.

THE following regulations, made by the Government under the Provisional Powers Act, 10th June, 1891, are published for general information:—

1. Schools shall be established in all the islands as opportunities offer. Their purpose shall be the teaching of the English language, and for general instruction in that tongue.
2. The district requiring the school shall provide a suitable building and a residence for the teacher or teachers where necessary.
3. No Maori shall be spoken during school-hours, except where necessary, on the part of the teacher.
4. The hours of attendance shall be from 8 to 10 in the morning for regular pupils, and an additional hour, if required, for the teaching of English to the students in the missionary schools.
5. The schools shall open with the Lord's Prayer, which may be either in Maori or English, at the discretion of the teacher.
6. The instruction shall be in reading, writing, and arithmetic, the teachers taking the opportunity of imparting with such instruction as much general information as possible.
7. The teaching shall be oral, as much as possible. No charge will be made to the pupils except for slates or material.
8. All children between five and thirteen will be admitted by the teacher. Beyond thirteen they will only be admitted on special order from the Government. No one can remain after attaining fifteen without special permission.
9. The head-teacher (when there is more than one) will be responsible for the efficiency of the school and its discipline, and any suitable punishment, other than corporeal, may be inflicted by such teacher for the maintenance of discipline and order in the school.
10. The head-teacher will keep the roll of attendance and insist on regularity in such attendance, taking such steps as may be found necessary to secure the same.
11. Any person disturbing the school during school hours will be liable to a fine not exceeding \$10.
12. The schools will be open daily except on Saturday and Sunday, and on such holy days as the Government may authorise.