

being brought into New Zealand without further payment of duty, and to protect the Customs revenue of New Zealand it was found necessary to pass the following Order in Council :—

Duty on certain Tobacco imported into the Cook Islands.

ISLINGTON, Governor.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government House, at Wellington, this twenty-fourth day of June, 1912.

Present :

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR IN COUNCIL.

In pursuance and exercise of the powers conferred on him by section fifteen of the Cook Islands Government Act, 1908, and of all other powers enabling him in this behalf, His Excellency the Governor of the Dominion of New Zealand, acting by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of the said Dominion, doth hereby revoke the Order in Council dated the sixth day of November, one thousand nine hundred and six, made under the authority of the Cook and other Islands Government Act Amendment Act, 1902, and the Cook and other Islands Government Act Amendment Act, 1903, and published in the *Gazette* of the eighth day of November, one thousand nine hundred and six, at page 2905, and in lieu thereof doth hereby declare that on all black twist tobacco hereafter imported into the Cook Islands, of which the genuine invoice value at the time of importation is proved to the satisfaction of the Collector of Customs not to exceed one shilling and threepence per pound, there shall be payable a duty of one shilling per pound in lieu of a duty of three shillings and sixpence per pound (being the duty fixed by the Customs Duties Act, 1908) ; and doth hereby further declare that an additional duty of two shillings and sixpence per pound shall be paid on the importation into New Zealand proper of all such tobacco on which duty has been paid in the Cook Islands.

J. F. ANDREWS,
Clerk of the Executive Council.

FEDERAL ORDINANCES.

No. 10.

SIR,—

Cook Islands Administration, Rarotonga, 4th October, 1911.

I have the honour to forward to you herewith three Federal Ordinances for the signature of His Excellency the Governor.

One is intituled "An Ordinance to deal with Insanitary or Condemned Buildings." The Chief Medical Officer strongly urges that the provisions contained in this Ordinance be adopted, and I have therefore framed it to meet the case.

The second Ordinance provides for the management of the Cook Islands Hospital. With regard to section 9, I might explain that the Ordinances being repealed have been a dead-letter for the last eleven years. I do not think it would be possible to retain the services of any medical man if he were liable to be interfered with in the control of the Hospital by either Natives or Europeans ; in fact, both Medical Officers at present employed by the Administration have informed me to this effect.

The third is an Ordinance providing, under certain conditions, for the issue of certificates to shipmasters to trade in the Cook Islands waters. You will remember that correspondence passed between yourself and this Administration on the subject—*vide* my letter of 17th May, 1911 (C3/1911/294), and your reply of 31st May (C.I.A. 11/27, No. 242).

I shall be exceedingly obliged if the Ordinances can be signed as quickly as possible and returned.

I have, &c.,

J. EMAN SMITH,
Resident Commissioner.

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

FEDERAL ORDINANCE NO. 32.—AN ORDINANCE TO DEAL WITH INSANITARY OR CONDEMNED BUILDINGS. BE IT ENACTED by the Federal Council of the Cook Islands as follows :—

1. The Short Title of this Ordinance is the Public Health (Insanitary Buildings) Ordinance, 1911.

2. On the certificate of the Chief Medical and Health Officer or Assistant Medical and Health Officer that any building or part of a building is, by reason of its insanitary condition, dangerous to public health, the Resident Commissioner may give notice to the owner thereof requiring him to pull down the same within a time named in the notice, or require him to make such structural alterations or additions to the building as the Chief Medical and Health Officer or Assistant Medical and Health Officer directs.

3. If the owner fails to comply with such requisition within the time named in the notice, the Resident Commissioner may order such building or any part thereof to be pulled down at the expense in all things of the owner.

4. Where any building or portion of a building used as a dwelling, workshop, or for any business purpose whatever is condemned by the Chief Medical and Health Officer or Assistant Medical and Health Officer as unfit for human occupation, it shall be unlawful for any person to remain in occupation of such building or portion thereof after the expiration of twenty-one days from the date of the notice of condemnation, and every person who remains in occupation after the