7. Any person who lights a fire and allows such fire to spread beyond his own lands shall be guilty of an offence, and be liable on conviction to the punishment hereinafter provided, and also to pay all damage caused to the adjoining lands by such fire, or to replace by replanting such damage as may be ordered by the Court.

8. Any person who shall kill any of the native birds-kerearako, tatangaeo, patangaroa, and others-or take away their eggs, or wilfully interfere in any way with their nests, shall be guilty of an

offence, and be liable on conviction to the penalty hereinafter provided.

9. The Council, or some person duly appointed by the Council, may inspect the land at least once in every year to ascertain whether the land has been sufficiently improved and planted, and that the provisions of this Ordinance are being duly complied with.

10. Any person contravening in any way or neglecting or refusing to comply with the provisions of this Ordinance shall be liable on conviction to a fine of not more than five pounds, or in default

sixty days hard labour.

Passed by the Mangaia Island Council this thirteenth day of November, nineteen hundred and J. C. CAMERON, fourteen.

President of the Mangaia Island Council.

Approved.

H. W. NORTHCROFT,

Resident Commissioner.

Assented to in the name and on behalf of His Majesty. 12th May, 1915. LIVERPOOL, Governor.

[Extract from New Zealand Gazette, 25th March, 1915.]

Duty on Certain Tobacco imported into the Cook Islands.

LIVERPOOL, Governor. ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government House at Wellington, this twenty-fifth day of March, 1915.

Present:

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR IN COUNCIL.

WHEREAS by section three hundred and two of the Customs Act, 1913, it is enacted that the Governor may from time to time by Order in Council modify the tariff in its application to goods imported into the Cook Islands, but so that such modification shall not have the effect of imposing higher duties than those imposed by the tariff:

And whereas by Order in Council dated the twenty-fourth day of June, one thousand nine hundred and twelve, and published in the New Zealand Gazette dated the twenty-seventh day of June then instant, the tariff was modified in its application to certain tobacco imported into the Cook Islands:

And whereas it is expedient to amend the modification of the tariff contained in the said Order

in Council of the twenty-fourth day of June, one thousand nine hundred and twelve:

Now, therefore, His Excellency the Governor of the Dominion of New Zealand, in pursuance and exercise of the powers and authorities conferred upon him by section three hundred and two of the Customs Act, 1913, and of all other powers and authorities enabling him in that behalf, and acting by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of the Dominion of New Zealand, doth hereby revoke the said Order in Council of the twenty-fourth day of June, one thousand nine hundred and twelve, and doth hereby modify the tariff in its application to goods imported into the Cook Islands aforesaid by declaring and directing as follows:-

1. That there shall be payable on all black twist tobacco 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, the following duties, that is to say-

(a.) When imported into or entered for home consumption in the Cook Islands (exclusive of the Island of Niue), a duty of one shilling per pound;

(b.) When imported into or entered for home consumption in the Island of Niue (being one of

the Cook Islands), a duty of two shillings per pound:

Provided that a further duty of one shilling per pound shall be paid on the landing in the Island of Nine of any tobacco removed from other parts of the Cook Islands which has been admitted to entry at a duty of one shilling per pound.

2. That this Order shall have effect on and after the first day of April, one thousand nine hundred

and fifteen.

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

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