

*Prescribing the Rate of Interest to be paid by certain Local Authorities in respect of certain Loans.*

JELlicoe, Governor-General.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government Buildings at Wellington, this 1st day of February, 1921.

Present :

THE RIGHT HONOURABLE W. F. MASSEY, P.C., PRESIDING IN COUNCIL.

WHEREAS section thirty-three of the Finance Act, 1920, provides that, notwithstanding anything to the contrary in any Act or in any rule of law, where a local authority or public body has been authorized before the passing of the said Act, or is thereafter authorized, to borrow money, whether pursuant to a poll of ratepayers or otherwise howsoever, at a specified rate of interest, and such money or any part thereof has not been borrowed, the local authority may, with the precedent consent of the Minister of Finance, borrow such money, or such part thereof as has not been borrowed, at such rate of interest as may be prescribed by the Governor-General in Council :

And whereas each of the local authorities mentioned in column 1 of the Schedule hereto has been authorized to borrow the sum stated in column 2 at the rate of interest stated in column 3, and is now desirous of borrowing the additional amount shown in column 4: And whereas the Minister of Finance has in each case given his precedent consent as required by the said section, and it is desired that the rate of interest at which the money may be borrowed be increased to the rate specified in column 5 :

Now, therefore, His Excellency the Governor-General of the Dominion of New Zealand, acting by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of the said Dominion, doth hereby prescribe that the rate of interest that may be paid in respect of each of the amounts set out in column 4 by the local authorities named in column 1 shall be the rate specified in column 5 opposite thereto, and the said respective local authorities are hereby authorized to borrow the respective sums set out in column 4 opposite their names at the rate of interest specified in column 5 of the Schedule hereto.

SCHEDULE.

Column 1. Name of Local Authority.	Column 2. Amount of Loan authorized.	Column 3. Rate of Interest authorized.	Column 4. Additional Amount to be borrowed.	Column 5. Rate of Interest prescribed.
	£	Per Cent.	£	Per Cent.
Awakino County Council	450	5½	45	5½
Dargaville Borough Council	1,000	5½	100	5½
Masterton Borough Council	32,000	5½	3,200	5½

F. D. THOMSON,  
Clerk of the Executive Council.

*Prohibiting Trawling in Otago Harbour.*

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Present :

THE RIGHT HONOURABLE W. F. MASSEY, P.C., PRESIDING IN COUNCIL.

WHEREAS it is enacted by the fifth section of the Fisheries Act, 1908 (hereinafter called "the said Act"), that the Governor-General in Council may from time to time make regulations, which shall have force and effect throughout New Zealand, or only in any waters or places specified therein, for, amongst other things, imposing conditions and restrictions on the taking of fish, and for prohibiting the use of any particular engines, tackles, or apparatus for taking any fish :

And whereas it is desirable to prohibit the taking of fish by trawling and the use of trawl-nets in Otago Harbour :

Now, therefore, His Excellency the Governor-General of the Dominion of New Zealand, in exercise of the power and authority conferred by the said Act, and of all other powers and authorities enabling him in this behalf, and acting by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of the said Dominion, doth hereby make the following regulations for the purposes of the said Act.

REGULATIONS.

1. No person shall haul or use a trawl-net for the purpose of taking fish in Otago Harbour inside a straight line drawn from the outermost point of Taiaroa Head Lighthouse to Hayward Point.

2. Any person committing a breach of clause 1 of these regulations is liable to a penalty of not less than £1 and not exceeding £20.

F. D. THOMSON,  
Clerk of the Executive Council.

*Regulations relating to Pearl-shell Fisheries in the Cook Islands.*

JELlicoe, Governor-General.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

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Present :

THE RIGHT HONOURABLE W. F. MASSEY, P.C., PRESIDING IN COUNCIL.

WHEREAS by an Order in Council dated the fourth day of November, one thousand nine hundred and eighteen, and gazetted on the seventh day of the same month, regulations were made under section fifty-three of the Cook Islands Act, 1915, with respect to pearl-shell fisheries in the Cook Islands: And whereas it is expedient to revoke the said regulations and to make others in lieu thereof :

Now, therefore, in pursuance of the powers conferred on him by the Cook Islands Act, 1915, His Excellency the Governor-General 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 said recited regulations of the fourth day of November, one thousand nine hundred and eighteen, and in lieu thereof doth hereby make the following regulations under and for the purposes of the said Act; and doth hereby declare that such revocation and the regulations hereby made shall come into force on the first day of March, one thousand nine hundred and twenty-one.

REGULATIONS.

PART I.—GENERAL.

1. In these regulations—

"Resident Commissioner" means the Resident Commissioner of Rarotonga :

"Fishing reserve" means any reserve established or set aside for public pearl-shell fishing at the islands of Penrhyn or Manihiki, or hereafter set aside elsewhere within the Cook Islands for that purpose.

2. No pearl-shell of a diameter of less than 4½ in. shall be taken from any fishing reserve or purchased in or exported from any of the Cook Islands.

3. All pearl-shell shall be opened on the lagoon in which it is taken, and any spawn shall be forthwith returned to the water.

PART II.—NAKED DIVING.

4. No person shall fish or dive for pearl-shell in any fishing reserve by naked diving unless he is the holder of a license granted under these regulations.

5. Every such license shall expire on the 31st day of December in each year, and shall be in the form No. 1 in the Schedule hereto, and shall be issued by the Resident Agent.

6. The season for fishing or diving for pearl-shell by naked diving shall commence on the 1st day of January and shall expire on the 31st day of December in each year; provided that the Island Council of any island in which a fishing reserve is situated may from time to time fix a close season for the whole or any part of such reserve, during which it shall not be lawful for any person to fish or dive for pearl-shell in the said reserve by naked diving or in any part thereof so closed.

PART III.—DIVING-MACHINES.

7. In regard to the use of diving-machines for fishing or diving for pearl-shell the following fishing reserves are hereby constituted:—

The lagoon at the Island of Manihiki shall form one fishing reserve.

The lagoon at the Island of Penrhyn equally divided by a line running east and west shall form two fishing reserves, to be known as the Northern Reserve and the Southern Reserve.

8. Fishing for pearl-shell by means of diving-machines shall be permitted in such fishing reserves at the times following, but not otherwise:—

■ In the Northern Reserve of Penrhyn, during the season of 1921.

■ In the reserve of Manihiki, during the season of 1922.

■ In the Southern Reserve of Penrhyn, during the season of 1923.

And so on thereafter in similar rotation.