

Act of Parliament passed in the sixty-third and sixty-fourth years of Her Majesty Queen Victoria's Reign, and shortly entitled "The Commonwealth of Australia Constitution Act," and each of the British Possessions hereinbefore mentioned other than New Zealand and Fiji is now a State forming part of the Commonwealth established as aforesaid:

And whereas Papua and Norfolk Island are British Possessions which have been placed under the authority of the said Commonwealth:

And whereas by Royal Proclamation, bearing date the 9th day of September, 1907, His late Majesty King Edward VII ordained declared and commanded that, on and after the 26th day of September, 1907, the Colony of New Zealand and the territory belonging thereto should be called and known by the title of the Dominion of New Zealand:

And whereas by an Order of His Majesty in Council bearing date the 10th day of November, 1915, and known as the Gilbert and Ellice Islands Order in Council, 1915, the Gilbert and Ellice Islands were annexed to His Majesty's Dominions and constituted a Colony.

And whereas by certain Orders in Council mentioned in the second column of the Schedule to this Order, and respectively set opposite to the names of the territories specified in the first column thereof, the Fugitive Offenders Act, 1881, has been applied to the said territories respectively as if each of them were a British Possession.

And whereas by reason of the contiguity of the Dominions, Colonies, and Territories hereinafter mentioned and the frequent inter-communication between them, it seems expedient to His Majesty and conducive to the better administration of Justice therein that Part II of the Fugitive Offenders Act, 1881, should apply to the said Dominions, Colonies, and Territories as hereinafter provided:

And whereas it is desirable to revoke the first hereinbefore recited Order in Council, bearing date the 23rd day of August, 1883, and to substitute other provisions in lieu thereof:

NOW, THEREFORE, His Majesty, by virtue of the powers in this behalf by the Fugitive Offenders Act, 1881, or otherwise in His Majesty vested, is pleased, by and with the advice of His Privy Council, to order, and it is hereby ordered, as follows:—

1. As from the 1st day of November, 1925, the hereinbefore recited Order in Council of the 23rd day of August, 1883, shall be revoked, without prejudice to anything lawfully done thereunder, or to any proceedings commenced before the said 1st day of November, 1925.

2. On and after the 1st day of November, 1925, Part II of the Fugitive Offenders Act, 1881, shall apply to the group of British Possessions and Territories hereinafter mentioned; that is to say:—

Commonwealth of Australia ;
Papua ;
Norfolk Island ;
New Guinea ;
Nauru ;
New Zealand ;
Western Samoa ;
Fiji ;
Gilbert and Ellice Islands ;
British Solomon Islands.

M. P. A. HANKEY.

Schedule.

1. New Guinea	{ The New Guinea and Nauru
2. Nauru	{ (Fugitive Offenders) Order in
		{ Council, 1925.
3. Western Samoa	The Western Samoa (Fugitive
		Offenders) Order in Council,
		1920.
4. British Solomon Islands		The Pacific Order in Council,
		1893.

Regulation and Control of Traffic and Navigation of Picton Harbour.

Marine Department,
Wellington, 18th December, 1925.

IT is hereby notified that

John Beresford Vaughan Barnsdale,

has, in pursuance of the provisions of subsection (2) of section 196 of the Harbours Act, 1923, been appointed to regulate and control the traffic and navigation of Picton Harbour in such manner as he may deem necessary for the safety of life and property on days on which regattas or boat-races are held in the harbour.

G. JAS. ANDERSON, Minister of Marine.

Additional Rules for Examination of Masters and Mates.

Marine Department,
Wellington, 23rd December, 1925.

WHEREAS by Warrant dated the 6th day of June, 1923, and published in the *New Zealand Gazette* No. 52 of the 14th day of the same month, rules for the examination of masters and mates were made:

And whereas it is desirable to make additional rules:

Now, therefore, in pursuance and exercise of the powers vested in me by section 23 of the Shipping and Seamen Act, 1908, and of all other powers and authorities enabling me in that behalf, I do hereby make the following additional rules for the conduct of examinations of masters and mates, and as to the qualifications of applicants.

These rules shall come into force on the 1st day of January, 1926.

RULES.

1. EVERY candidate for a home-trade certificate of competency on every occasion on which he presents himself for examination for his first certificate of competency will be required to produce a certificate in the "form of examiner's authority" issued by the Minister of Telegraphs, to the effect that he has passed the examination for wireless signaller; provided that if such candidate holds a valid certificate as wireless operator of any grade issued by the Minister of Telegraphs, or its equivalent, such certificate will be accepted in lieu of the examiner's authority, and he will not be required to submit himself for examination for wireless signaller.

2. The examiner's authority must be obtained by the candidate when he has reached the age of seventeen and a half years, and the examination must have been passed not more than one year before the date of examination for the certificate of competency.

G. JAS. ANDERSON, Minister of Marine.

Notice under Section 48 (5) of the Reserves and other Lands Disposal and Public Bodies Empowering Act, 1925—Waiwaea-Kumaru Water-races.

IN pursuance of the provisions of section 45, subsection (5), of the Reserves and other Lands Disposal and Public Bodies Empowering Act, 1925, notice is hereby given that the mining privileges described in the Third Schedule to the said Act were, on the 19th day of November, 1925, cancelled by the Warden, and a new license or right for each of the said mining privileges was granted by the Warden on that day to the Minister of Mines for the Dominion of New Zealand for a term of forty-two years, such licenses or rights being registered in the office of the Mining Registrar for Kumara as numbers 1835, 1837, 1839, 1841, 1843, 1844, 1846, 1847, 1849, 1850, 1853, 1858, 1860, 1862, 1864, 1866, 1868, and 1870 respectively.

Dated at Wellington this 23rd day of December, 1925.

G. JAS. ANDERSON, Minister of Mines.
(Mines N 6/2.)

Authorizing the Laying-off of a Road in the Town of Stoke of a Less Width than 66 ft.

WHEREAS in the opinion of the Minister of Lands it is inexpedient, by reason of the fact that the land shown upon the plan of Town of Stoke affecting part Section 77, Suburban South Block III, Waimea Survey District, and prepared by Charles Michael Hoult, Licensed Surveyor, is intended to be used wholly for residential purposes, that the road shown therein should be of the width of 66 ft.

Now, therefore, I, Alexander Donald McLeod, Minister of Lands, do hereby, in pursuance of the power conferred upon me by section 17, subsection (1), of the Land Act, 1924, and of every other power me thereunto enabling, authorize the laying-off of such a road of a width of 40 ft.: Provided always that it shall not be lawful for any person to erect or cause to be erected any building at a less distance than 33 ft. from the middle of such road.

Given under my hand this 22nd day of December, 1925.

A. D. McLEOD, Minister of Lands.