

The Samoa Prisons and Constabulary Order, 1929.

CHARLES FERGUSSON, Governor-General.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government House at Wellington, this 3rd day of April, 1929.

Present :

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL IN COUNCIL.

HIS Excellency the Governor-General of the Dominion of New Zealand, acting by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of that Dominion, and in pursuance of the authority to make regulations for the peace, order, and good government of Samoa conferred upon him by the Samoa Act, 1921, and of all other powers and authorities enabling him in that behalf, doth hereby make the following regulations.

REGULATIONS.

1. THESE regulations may be cited as "The Samoa Prisons and Constabulary Order, 1929."

2. There shall be in the mandated territory of Western Samoa a force to be called the Samoan Constabulary.

3. The force shall consist of—

- (i) An Inspector who, subject to the orders of the Administrator, shall have the command of the Samoan Constabulary :
- (ii) Such number of Sub-inspectors as the Administrator may from time to time direct :
- (iii) Such number of European and Samoan sergeants of police, corporals, lance-corporals, constables of different grades, clerks, and messengers as the Administrator may from time to time direct.

4. Every member of the Samoan Constabulary shall be engaged to serve, and his appointment shall be, for a term of not less than one year (subject, however, to the right of the person who for the time being has the power of making such appointment to terminate such service at any time), and may be re-engaged at or before the termination of the period of enlistment for a further period.

5. (1) Every member of the Samoan Constabulary shall on his appointment take and subscribe before a Judge or Commissioner of the High Court, or any person appointed in writing in that behalf by the Minister of External Affairs, the following oath :—

"I, A. B., do swear that I will well and truly serve our Sovereign Lord the King in the Samoan Constabulary until I am lawfully dismissed or discharged ; that I will see and cause His Majesty's peace to be kept and preserved ; that I will prevent to the best of my power all offences against the same ; and that I will faithfully discharge all my duties as a member of the Samoan Constabulary and all other duties that may be required of me by law. So help me God."

(2) Every person who has taken and subscribed the oath as aforesaid shall be deemed to have from the day on which the same was taken and subscribed thereby entered into a written agreement with, and shall be thereby bound to serve, His Majesty as a member of the Samoan Constabulary in whatsoever capacity he may, in accordance with the provisions of these regulations, be required to serve, and at the appropriate rate of pay of any rank to which he may be appointed or reduced until legally discharged, and such agreement shall not be set aside, cancelled, or annulled for want of reciprocity, but every such agreement shall be determined by the discharge, dismissal, or other removal from office of any such person, or by his resignation under the provisions of clause 9 hereof.