STATUTORY RULES.

No. 3 of 1917.

REGULATIONS DEALING WITH NATIVE MATTERS.

MADE UNDER "THE NATIVE REGULATION ORDINANCE OF 1908." (No. xxv. of 1908).

The Regulations dealing with Native Matters made in Executive Council on the 15th day of March, 1911, are further amended by inserting after Regulation 84c, the following Regulation:—

RED PALM BEETLE (Rhyncophorus Ferrugineus).

- "84D (1). A coconut tree attacked by the Red Palm Beetle will be seriously injured, if not killed, unless the beetles are destroyed, and if they are not destroyed they will spread to healthy trees and injure them all.
- (2) It shall be the duty of the Magistrates to instruct natives in the identification of the Red Palm Beetle.
- (3) The native owner of a coconut tree shall search for and destroy Red Palm Beetles on or about his coconut tree, and if, in the opinion of a Magistrate he wilfully neglects to do so he shall, on conviction, be liable to a penalty not exceeding One pound, or, in default of payment, to imprisonment for any period not exceeding two months, or to imprisonment for the like period in the first instance.

Approved in Executive Council this seventh day of February, One thousand nine hundred and seventeen.

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H. L. MURRAY, Clerk, Executive Council.

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