STATUTORY RULES.

Made under the Native Taxes Ordinance, 1917-1924.

The Native Taxes (Funds Establishment and Application) Regulations, 1923 (Statutory Rules No. 18 of 1923), as amended by Statutory Rules No. 6 of 1925, are further amended as follows:—

- 1. After Sub-regulation (2) of Regulation Five the following new sub-regulation is inserted:—
 - "London Missionary Society—Fife Bay Technical School.
 - (2A) In addition to the sum of Seven hundred pounds paid to the London Missionary Society in the financial year 1924-1925 for the purpose of the erection of buildings in connection with the Fife Bay Technical School and the sums of Forty pounds and Five hundred pounds paid to the said Mission in the financial years 1924-1925 and 1925-1926, respectively, towards the salary of an Instructor in the said school (payment of which sums is hereby ratified) there may be paid out of the Native Education Fund to the said Mission in each financial year, commencing in 1926-1927, a sum not exceeding Five hundred pounds towards the salary of an Instructor in the said School."
- 2. The Heading in the words "PART IV—APPLICATION OF NATIVE BENEFITS FUND" as a heading of Regulation Nine thereof are omitted and the same words are inserted as a heading after Regulation Nine thereof.
 - 3. After Regulation Eleven the following new regulation is inserted:—
 - "Laloki Experimental Station.
 - 11A. There may be expended out of the Native Benefits Fund for the financial year 1925-1926 the sum of Seven hundred and fifty pounds and thereafter in each financial year, commencing in 1926-1927, a sum not exceeding Four hundred pounds for the establishment, maintenance and upkeep of an Agricultural Experimental Station at the old Gaol Gardens on the Laloki River."
 - 4. Regulation Thirteen is amended--
 - (a) by inserting after Sub-regulation (1) the following new sub-regulation:—
 - "(1A) A sum not exceeding Four thousand eight hundred pounds may be expended out of the Native Benefits Fund in the erection of buildings to be used as Government Native Hospitals."

- (b) by omitting therefrom Sub-regulations (3) and (4) and substituting the following sub-regulations in lieu thereof:—
 - "Anglican Mission—Hospital, etc.
 - (3) A sum not exceeding in the aggregate Five hundred pounds may be paid out of the Native Benefits Fund to the Anglican Mission at the rate of One pound for every pound expended by it in the erection of a native hospital and doctor's and nurse's quarters in connection therewith: The payment authorized by this sub-regulation shall not be recurrent; and shall be subject to the said Mission undertaking to engage the services of a properly qualified resident medical man in connection with the said hospital.
 - (4) A sum not exceeding Three hundred and fifty pounds may be annually paid out of the Native Benefits Fund to the said Mission when it has received the sum of Five hundred pounds referred to in the last preceding sub-regulation and has expended the total sum of One thousand pounds in the erection of the said native hospital and quarters: The payment of the said annual sum of Three hundred and fifty pounds shall only be made with respect of the period during which the services of a properly qualified medical man are available in connection with the hospital, and shall continue until the Lieutenant-Governor shall otherwise order:

Provided that one-fourth of the said sum of Three hundred and fifty pounds may be paid to the said Mission for the financial year 1925-1926 notwithstanding that the said Mission has not received the sum of Five hundred pounds referred to in the last preceding sub-regulation and has not expended the total sum of One thousand pounds in the erection of the said native hospital."

- (c) by adding after Sub-regulation (5) the following new sub-regulations:—
 "Methodist Mission—Hospital, etc.
 - (6) Subject to the provisions of Sub-regulation (7) of this regulation there may be paid to or on behalf of the Methodist Mission out of the Native Benefits Fund the following sums:—
 - (a) A sum not exceeding Five hundred pounds as a grant towards cost of erection of the native hospital buildings erected by the said Mission at Salamo. This expenditure shall not be recurrent.
 - (b) A further sum of Five hundred pounds in each financial year for the period of five years or for such part of such period as the said Mission makes available the services of a properly qualified resident medical man in connection with the said native hospital. If during the said period of five years the hospital is without the services of such medical man but is in charge of a non-qualified man with medical experience the said sum of Five hundred pounds shall be reduced to Two hundred and fifty pounds during the time the non-qualified man is so in charge. The first payment under this paragraph shall be made in respect to the financial year 1925-1926.
 - (c) A further sum of One hundred and fifty pounds in each financial year to be expended by the Government on Drugs to be supplied to the said Mission for the medical treatment of natives

of the d'Entrecasteaux Group of islands (outside Salamo) by a medical patrol of those islands by the said Mission. The provision of the last-mentioned sum shall continue until the Lieutenant-Governor shall otherwise order.

(7) The payment of the several sums to the Methodist Mission authorized by the last preceding sub-regulation shall be subject to the condition that the aggregate amount of Five thousand pounds payable to the Mission under the provisions of Regulation 5 (1) shall be reduced to the sum of Two thousand seven hundred and fifty pounds inclusive of all sums already paid to it thereunder.

London Missionary Society-Hospital.

(8) In addition to the sums paid to the London Missionary Society in the financial year 1925-1926 and the five years prior thereto for the same purpose (payment of which is hereby ratified) there may be paid out of the Native Benefits Fund to the said Mission in each financial year, commencing in 1926-1927, a sum not exceeding Three hundred and fifty pounds towards the maintenance of a native hospital at Poreporena under the charge of a duly qualified European nurse. The provision of this sum may continue until the Lieutenant-Governor otherwise orders.

Yaws.

- (9) A sum not exceeding in the aggregate Three hundred pounds in any one year may be paid out of the Native Benefits Fund to Missions for the treatment of yaws among natives."
- 5. After Regulation 13A the following new regulation is inserted:—

"Inspection of hospitals, etc.

13B. The Chief Medical Officer or any officer authorized by the Lieutenant-Governor shall have the right at all reasonable times to enter any hospital and buildings in connection therewith of any Mission for which money is provided out of the Native Benefits Fund under the provisions of Regulation Thirteen hereof and to inspect and make investigation for the purpose of ascertaining how the said money has been and is being expended and to report to the Lieutenant-Governor thereon."

6. After Regulation Fourteen the following new regulation is inserted:—

"Games in villages.

14A. A sum not exceeding Fifty pounds in any financial year, commencing in 1925-1926, may be expended out of the Native Benefits Fund in providing material for European games in native villages."

7. Regulation Eighteen is repealed and the following regulation is inserted in lieu thereof:—

"Native Plantations Produce Account.

18. The Director shall cause to be kept an account to be called the "Native Plantations Produce Account" to which shall be debited all sums paid out of the Native Benefits Fund under Paragraphs (c) (d) and (e) of Sub-regulation (1) of Regulation Eleven of these regulations and to which shall be credited the gross sum arising from the realization of the sale of the produce from Native Plantations; and the Director shall at the end of each and every financial

year deal with the balance then to the credit of such account in the manner provided in Sub-regulation (4) of Regulation Four of these regulations."

Made in Executive Council this fourteenth day of June, One thousand nine hundred and twenty-six.

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