

No. 3 of 1900.



In the name of Her Majesty, VICTORIA, of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland Queen, Empress of India, &c., &c., &c.

QUEEN'S REGULATION.

(Made by Her Majesty's High Commissioner for the Western Pacific, in accordance with the provisions of the Pacific Order in Council, 1893.)

[L.S.] G. T. M. O'BRIEN.

1. THIS Regulation shall apply to all the islands comprised in the Local application of Protectorate established by Her Britannic Majesty and known Regulation. as the British Solomon Islands Protectorate.

2. The words "waste land" in this Regulation shall mean Interpretation of land which is not owned, cultivated, or occupied by any native or non-native person.

3. From and after the coming into force of this Regulation no Unauthorised occupation of waste land otherwise prohibited. than under a certificate of the nature described in the next following section hereof. 4. Grant of Certificates of Occupation.

4. Certificates of occupation of waste land in the aforesaid Protectorate may be granted by the High Commissioner for the Western Pacific on behalf of Her Majesty on application being made therefor through the Resident Commissioner in the form of the Schedule hereto appended.

Commencement of Regulation. Short title.

5. This Regulation shall come into force on the first day of January one thousand nine hundred and one, and may be cited as "The Solomon (Waste Lands) Regulation, 1900."

SCHEDULE.

SCHEDULE TO THE SOLOMON (WASTE LANDS) REGULATION, 1900.

BRITISH SOLOMON ISLANDS PROTECTORATE. Application for Certificate of Occupation.

To the Resident Commissioner of the British Solomon Islands Protectorate,-I, the undersigned,

hereby apply for a certificate of occupation for a term of years by Her Britannic Majesty's High Commissioner for the Western Pacific of the on the island of land situate at bounded by

known as

and of an estimated area of

which land, to the best of my knowledge and belief, is neither owned, cultivated, or occupied by any native or non-native person. The certificate to include a right to fish the produce of the waters marching with the coast boundary (if any) of the land.

In the event of the desired certificate being granted me, I hereby bind myself to abide by the following conditions :-

1. That I will pay a rent of

per acre. the first payment to be made on the issue of the certificate, subsequent payments to be made in advance at intervals of not more than twelve months dating from the first payment; such rent to be increased or diminished proportionately on completion of the survey prescribed by clause three, if the extent of the land be then found to be more or less than estimated above, but no claim shall exist on either part for arrears or overpayment on such account.

2. That I will expend not less than per acre before the completion of ten years from the date of the certificate in bringing the land into cultivation, or in planting and otherwise improving it.

3. That I will defray the cost of a survey of the land specified in the certificate to be made by the Government of the Protectorate within ten years of the commencement of the certificate.

4. That all rights to minerals, mineral oil, or precious stones found or discovered at any time on the land are reserved, together with the right of prospecting for the same; and that the further right is reserved by the High Commissioner to resume occupation of any portion of such land as may be deemed necessary in connection with any mining agreement or concession which may hereafter be approved of or authorised by the High Commissioner, provided that in case of such resumption a like certificate in respect of land equivalent in extent and value to the land so resumed shall be granted in place of the present certificate or of such portion thereof as may be affected by such resumption, and that in the case of land whereon improvements have been made, compensation for the beneficial value of such improvements shall be paid.

5. The right is reserved by the High Commissioner to resume, without com-pensation in respect of land which has not been improved by cultivation or otherwise, such portions of the land as may at any time be required for the construction of roads, or other public purposes of whatever nature, and that a similar right is reserved to the High Commissioner in respect of land which may have been improved by cultivation or otherwise, on payment to the holder of the certificate of occupation of compensation for actual loss sustained.

6. That all paths and rights of way existing on or over the land shall remain free and uninterrupted unless the same be closed or altered with the consent of the High Commissioner.

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7. In the event of the breach by me of any of the foregoing conditions, or of the payment of the rent of the land being at any time more than six months in arrear from the date of any instalment falling due, the High Commissioner shall have the power to cancel this certificate, and all my interests in and title to the land with all improvements (if any) thereon shall on such cancellation forthwith cease and determine without any claim on my part to compensation.

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Witness to the signature of the said

Recommendation of the Resident Commissioner.

E recommend the grant to the abovenamed of the land for which he applies.

> Resident Commissioner. 190

of a certificate of occupation

Certificate approved on the terms and conditions set out in the application therefor.

Suva, Fiji,

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High Commissioner.

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By Command,

M. KING, Secretary.

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