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Whereas, We have witnessed in the past, that, thro' lack of strength and firmness, on the part of government officers, some evil has resulted, and,

Whereas, We believe that a larger number of officers would tend to make a stronger government, and that plans for the public welfare would be executed with better success, therefore,

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1st. It shall be the duty of the president to preside at all sessions of the parliament, and at all assemblies of the regular voters.

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The duty of the vice-president shall be to perform the duties of the president in his absence.

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The secretary shall be charged with the custody of all papers and documents of every description belonging to the parliament, and shall, at each meeting, make a true record of all the actions of the said parliament. Beside this, he shall act as treasurer, to hold all public funds subject to the order of the parliament.

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Law Two. (2)

Refusal to obey any of the lawful orders of the court shall be punishable by a fine of from one to five pounds sterling. Insulting the court will be regarded as a grave offence.

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No one shall call in question any preceding case that has passed the investigation of the court to prevent the course of justice.

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Cats in any part of the island doing any one damage, must be killed in the presence of one of the members of parliament.

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It shall be unlawful for any person or persons to treat cruelly, or to beat in an unmerciful manner, their fellow beings, or animals, of whatever kind, to injure them or in any way to inflict pain. First violation of this law, punishable by reprimand of the court. Subsequent violations by fine or from 12 to 40 shillings.

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Any one found going, without consulting any of the said parties, is amenable to a fine of from 4 to 20 shillings.

Law Twenty. (20)

Should any dog be found killing fowls or eating eggs, he is to be killed for the first offence.

Law Twenty One. (21)

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Fowls may be killed with bullets if found in the place allotted to goats.

Discharging of bullets from firearms anywhere within the village, is not allowed, excepted it be into the air, or into the sea. First offence reprimand. Second offence eight shillings.

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family, without first getting license from the president. If any one
be found so doing, he shall be severely punished, as the court shall
decide.

Law Twenty-four. (24)

Any person or persons going to the sugar mill, and
eating the sugar cane which belongs to another after it has been cut
and brought there, and that without the permission of the owner of
said sugar cane, shall be submitted to whatever punishment or fine
the judge may see fit to impose upon him.

Law Twenty-five. (25)

From henceforth, (April 6, 1896,) no person or persons
are allowed to bring cocoanut or cocoanuts from 'TOtherside unless
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No one, while at the above named place

will be permitted to use cocoanuts from other persons trees, without first obtaining permission from the owner or owners, thereof.

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Law Twenty-six. (26)

All the men, and the boys from the age of 14 years and upward, to whatever age the parliament may think proper to limit, are to be employed in the public work on the island, whenever their services are required.

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Law Thirty. (30)

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Law Thirty-one. (31)

The use of bows and arrows, rifles, revolvers, or firearms of any description, by children under the age of 14 years, is strictly prohibited.

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Law Thirty. (30.)

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LAWS AND REGULATIONS OF THE PITCAIRN ISLANDERS

From the *Book of Records* of Pitcairn Island

*Form of oath to be administered to witnesses in court, by the
Judge.*

*(The witness, standing before the judge, is told by the
judge to lift up his right hand and take the oath. The judge
then administers the following oath.)*

*"You (here the judge mentions the full name of the wit-
ness) do hereby solemnly swear before God, that in the case
now before the court, you will tell the truth, the whole truth,
and nothing but the truth."*

"Do you thus swear?"

(Witness answers, "I do").

(Judge says, "So help you God").

On the arrival of H.B.M.S. "Champion," October 3, 1892, Capt. Rookes, her commander, at a meeting with the principal members of the community suggested some changes in the form of government, to what had, until then, been followed.

His suggestion was thankfully received and heartily adopted, and accordingly, on January 1, 1893, the voters assembled, and the suggestion was carried into effect, seven members being nominated to form a parliament, and from among those seven, the following officers were elected, viz. a president, a vice-president, two judges and a secretary.

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Whereas, We have witnessed in the past, that, thro' lack of strength and firmness, on the part of the government officers, some evil has resulted, and,

Whereas, we believe that a larger number of officers would tend to make a stronger government, and that plans for the public welfare would be executed with better success, therefore,

Resolved, That we heartily endorse the plan of having a government consisting of a parliament of seven, with power to legislate, to plan for the public good, to execute all decisions of the court, and to see that all public demands are attended to without unnecessary delay.

DUTIES OF THE OFFICERS.

The President.

1st. It shall be the duty of the president to preside at all sessions of the parliament, and at all assemblies of the regular voters.

2nd. To order and to see that all acts of the parliament, and all laws, are properly executed.

Vice President.

The duty of the vice president shall be to perform the duties of the president in his absence.

Secretary.

The secretary shall be charged with the custody of all papers, and documents of every description belonging to the parliament, and shall, at each meeting, make a true record of all the actions of the said parliament. Beside this, he shall act as treasurer, to hold all public funds subject to the order of the parliament.

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Judge.

The judge shall preside at all sittings of the court, and shall decide cases brought before the court, according to the letter of the law, and to appoint all sessions of the court, and its adjournment.

Court of Appeals.

Should either party in a case before the court be dissatisfied with the decision of the judge, said party may appeal to the parliament, a legal quorum of which shall constitute a final court of appeals. The parliament, however, may refuse a case tried by the judge, if, in their estimation, the case has been fairly tried and justly decided.

NOTICE.

1. All fines are so decided according to the discretion of the court.
2. Any fine, a draft of the same, when paid in work, shall be eight hours a day.
3. All fines paid in cash, must be in either English or American coin.

LAWS AND REGULATIONS.

Law One.

No one shall be allowed to assemble the court without a good evidence or satisfactory proof against an opposing party or parties, without laying himself open to punishment. Any-one so offending shall be fined sixpence an hour for that time.

Law Two.

Refusal to obey any of the lawful orders of the court shall be punishable by a fine of from one to five pounds sterling.

Insulting the court will be regarded as a grave offence.

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Law Three.

No one shall call in question any preceding case that has passed the investigation of the court to prevent the course of justice.

Anyone so offending shall pay a fine within £1 to £4 sterling.

Law Four.

Any two persons convicted of the crime of fornication shall pay a fine of within £4 to £20. Should said crime result in offspring, the father shall support the child as long as it lives. ["Needs supporting," the original wording]

Further, anything coming from the father to support his illegitimate child, as long as it lives with the mother, shall be sent to the mother thro' the hands of the parliament.

Law Five.

Any persons convicted of the crime of adultery, shall be punished by paying a fine within £10 to £25.

Law Six.

If two persons of the opposite sex, one, or both of whom, at the time shall be legally married, shall associate together in secluded places or otherwise, on terms of intimacy not consistent with his, or her, marriage vows, or in a manner to cause separation from his, or her, husband or wife, they shall on conviction be fined within £2 to £10.

Any person or persons aiding or abetting them in this crime shall pay the same amount.

It shall be lawful for the court to punish the crime of adultery by ~~banishment~~ from the island as well as fining the parties.

Law Seven.

It shall be unlawful for two persons of the opposite sex to associate together at such times and in such places as shall

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tend to create scandal, or to endanger the morals of the rising generation by their evil example. Further,

It shall be unlawful for any householder to allow any such persons who may have thus offended, to meet at his, or her, house, or premises, to further their evil designs without fear of discovery. Fine from £1 to £3 sterling.

Law Eight.

It shall be unlawful for anyone of the opposite sex to intentionally remain near the place where the women and girls do their washing.

Anyone so offending, shall pay a fine of from £2 to £4.

Law Nine.

It shall be unlawful for any persons to raise a fake report against his neighbor out of malice or revenge.

Whoever is convicted of such offence, shall pay a fine of, from 10 to 20 shillings.

Law Ten.

Whoever is convicted of stealing, shall be fined within £1 to £10. The stolen property also shall be made good.

Law Eleven.

Parents shall be responsible for property stolen by their children, (for the purpose of supporting their families, or otherwise) from the age of 16 years and under.

Law Twelve.

Should any person or persons bring forward any charges against anyone, said charge or charges having a month previous to the time of its being made known to the parliament, and produced for the sake of malice or revenge, such person or persons must be punished as the case is determined upon by the court.

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Law Thirteen.

Any man who shall beat, or in anyway abuse his wife, shall pay a fine of within £1 to £15.

Law Fourteen.

Any person, in a quarrel, striking his opponent with the fist, or with any kind of weapon, shall pay a fine of from £1 to £6.

Should the blow be returned, save in a case of self-defence, both parties shall pay the same fine. Any one is at liberty to defend himself.

Law Fifteen.

It shall be unlawful for any person to carry concealed weapons, or to appear before the court or parliament with deadly weapons on their person.

The fine for this law is £1 to £10.

Law Sixteen.

Any person or persons after this date, 24 September 1884, maliciously wounding, or causing the death of a cat, without permission, will be liable to such punishment as the court will inflict. Further, Any person, or persons aiding, or abetting in the aforesaid misdemeanor, will also be convicted under the same indictment. Should any dog, going out with his master, fall in with a cat, and chase him, and no effort be made to save the cat, the dog must be killed for the first offence. Fine 10 shillings.

Cats in any part of the island doing anyone damage, must be killed in the presence of one of the members of parliament.

Law Seventeen.

It shall be unlawful for any person or persons to treat cruelly, or to beat in an unmerciful manner, their fellow

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beings, or animals of whatever kind, to injure them or in any way to inflict pain. First violation of the law punishable by reprimand of the court. Subsequent violations by fine of from 12 to 40 shillings.

Law Eighteen.

Should any man's fowls do damage to his neighbor's property, the owner of the fowls must take them away. The owner of the plantation must first notify his neighbor concerning his chickens and if he refuse to remove them, the owner of said plantation shall be at liberty to shoot them.

Law Nineteen.

Any person or persons going after fowls in any part of the island, must call one or more of the other parties who have chickens in the same direction. Should any of the parties refuse to go, they must bear whatever damage may be done.

Anyone found going without consulting any of the said parties, is amenable to a fine of from 4 to 20 shillings.

Law Twenty.

Should any dog be found killing fowls or eating eggs, he is to be killed for the first offence.

Law Twenty One.

Shooting goats from the bend of the ridge at White Cow's Pen inland toward Ante Valley, and following the same line up to William's Block, and across to the head of McCoy's Valley, Taro Ground and so on throughout the entire boundary line for goats, is strictly prohibited.

Fowls may be killed with bullets if found in the place allotted to goats.

Discharging of bullets from firearms anywhere within the village, is not allowed, except it be into the air, or into the sea. First offence reprimand. Second offence eight shillings.

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Law Twenty-two.

Threatening the life of any person or persons will be regarded a great crime. Any such threats will be punishable by the decision of the court.

Law Twenty-three.

It shall be unlawful for any one to land from ships, drugs of any kind without first getting permission from the president. Anyone found doing so shall be punished. Further,

It may be lawful for parents to treat their own children in case of sickness with any kind of medicine that may alleviate their pain, or give relief. But no one will understand that he is at liberty to treat, or give any dose of medicine, unless it be one of his own family, without first getting license from the president. If anyone be found so doing, he shall be severely punished, as the court shall decide.

Law Twenty-four.

Any person or persons going to the sugar mill, and eating the sugar cane which belongs to another after it has been cut and brought there, and that without the permission of the owner of said sugar cane, shall be submitted to whatever punishment or fine the judge may see fit to impose upon him.

Law Twenty-five.

From henceforth (April 6, 1896) no person or persons are allowed to bring cocoanut or cocoanuts from 'TOtherside unless accompanied by one or more of the members of parliament, on the first week of every month, on Sundays, (unless otherwise arranged thro' unforeseen circumstances) and, further,—

No one, while at the above named place will be permitted to use cocoanuts from other persons trees, without first obtaining permission from the owner or owners, thereof.

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'TOtherside must be gathered in the presence of one of the
members of parliament.

Law Twenty-six.

All the men, and the boys from the age of 14 years and
upward, to whatever age the parliament may think proper to
limit, are to be employed in the public work on the island,
whenever their services are required.

Law Twenty-seven.

Any person, or persons, calling at, or passing by, places
where public work is being done, or where persons are filling
appointments made by the judge, president, or parliament,
staying around, meddling, or interfering with them in their
business, and thus hindering work, or in any way causing
trouble, must be submitted to whatever penalty the judge may
think fit to impose.

Law Twenty-eight.

No one is allowed to pay *gratis*, without first consulting
with the court in regard to the matter.

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Whoever shall do any action which, though it has not been
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order of the Island, shall be punished by a fine not exceed-
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present time.

1864 - 1963

- 1864 Thursday October Christian, chief Magistrate,
Moses Young and Mayhew Young, councillors.
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- 1867 Thursday O. Christian, Chief Magistrate,
Moses Young and Mayhew Young, councillors.
- 1868 Robert Buffett, chief Magistrate.
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and Russell M^cCoy, councillors.
- 1870 Russell M^cCoy, chief Magistrate, Robert Buffett
and Robert Young, councillors.
- 1871 J Russell M^cCoy, chief Magistrate, Moses Young,
and Robert Young, councillors.
- 1872 J. Russell M^cCoy, chief Magistrate, John Buffett Sr
and Moses Young, councillors.
- 1873 Thursday O. Christian, chief Magistrate,
and Mayhew Young, and Alphonso Christian,
councillors.

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e	<p>1867 Thursday O. Christian, Chief Magistrate, Moses Young and Mayhew Young, councillors.</p>
f	<p>1868 Robert Buffett, chief Magistrate,</p>
g	<p>1869 Moses Young, chief Magistrate, Robert Buffett, and Russell McCoy, councillors.</p>
h	<p>1870 Russell McCoy, chief Magistrate, Robert Buffett and Robert Young, councillors.</p>
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1875	Moses Young, chief Magistrate	a
1876	Thursday O. Christian, chief Magistrate	b
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1878-'79	James Russell M ^c Coy, chief Magistrate, Vieder Young and Benj. Stanley Young, councillors	c
1880	Thursday O. Christian, chief Magistrate, Benj. Young, and Edward Young, councillors.	
1881	Moses Young, chief Magistrate, Benj. Young and Richard Young, councillors	d
1882	Thursday O. Christian, chief Magistrate, Edward Young, councillor	
1883	J. Russell M ^c Coy, chief Magistrate, Vieder Young, and Elias Christian, councillors	e
1884-'85	Benjamin Young, chief Magistrate, Vieder Young and Edward Young, councillors	
1886-'88	J. Russell M ^c Coy, Daniel Christian and Elias Christian, councillors	f
1889	J. Russell M ^c Coy, Alfred Young, and Elias Christian, councillors.	g

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Moses Young, chief Magistrate.

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Thursday O. Christian, chief Magistrate.

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1878-79

James Russell McCoy, chief Magistrate, Vieder Young
and Benj. Stanley Young, councillors

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Thursday O. Christian, chief Magistrate, Benj. Young,
and Edward Young, councillors.

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Moses Young, chief Magistrate, Benj. Young and
Richard Young, councillors.

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1890-'91 Charles Vieder Young, chief Magistrate,
Alfred Young and Elias Christian, councillors.

1892 Benjamin Young, chief Magistrate, Childers Young,
and Gerard Christian, councillors.

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and Gerard Christian, councillors.

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- 1893 J.R. McCoy, President, C. Vieder Young, vice-president, Edward S. Young, Judge, W. Childers Young, secretary. Benjamin Young, E. Heywood Christian, and Gerard R. Christian.
- 1894 J.R. McCoy, President, W. Alfred Young, Vice-president, Benj. Young, Judge, Gerard Christian, secretary. Heywood Christian, Francis Christian, and Samuel Young.
- 1895 J.R. McCoy, President, Benj. S. Young, vice-president and judge, Heywood Christian, judge. Samuel Young, Secretary, Francis Christian, Gerard Christian, and Daniel Christian.
- 1896 J.R. McCoy, President and judge, W.A. Young, vice-president, Moses Young, 2nd judge, Samuel Young secretary, Heywood Christian, Gerard Christian, and Sandford Warren.
- 1897 W. Alfred Young, President, Gerard Christian, vice-president, Moses Young and Daniel Christian judges, Francis Christian, secretary, Sandford Warren and Rob^t. Buffett.
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 Again, on the 23rd August of the same year, Daniel Christian was discharged from his office, and Samuel Young filled his place. Robert Buffett had, on Moses Young's resignation, been appointed to the office of 2nd judge, now also resigned his place, which was again filled, this time by Alfred Young, who was also president.

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J. R. McCoy, President, Benf. S. Young, vice-president and judge, Heywood Christian, judge Samuel Young, Secretary, Francis Christian, Gerard Christian, and Daniel Christian.

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J. R. McCoy, President and judge, W. A. Young, vice-president, Moses Young, 2nd judge, Samuel Young, secretary, Heywood Christian, Gerard Christian, and Sandford Warren.

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- 1899 J.R. M^cCoy pres. Gerard Christian, vice-pres. Skelly Warren, sec. Francis Christian and Moses Young, judges, Alphonso Christian and Sandford Warren.
- 1900 J.R. M^cCoy pres. Gerard Christian, vice-pres. Vieder Young and Arthur H. Young, judges, George C. Warren, sec. Skelly Warren, and David Young.
- 1901 J.R. M^cCoy, pres. Gerard Christian, vice-pres. Vieder Young and Benj. Young, judges, George Warren, sec. Moses Young and Heywood Christian.
- 1902 J.R. M^cCoy, pres. Gerard Christian, vice-pres — Heywood Christian and Daniel Christian, judges, Skelly Warren, secretary, Benjamin Young and Moses Young.
- 1903 J.R. M^cCoy, pres. Gerard Christian vice-pres. Moses Young and Daniel Christian judges, Francis Christian, secretary, Alphonso Christian and Phil Coffin.
- 1904 W.A. Young pres. Francis Christian vice pres. William Christian and Daniel judges, the latter who died during the month of March 5th and Sanford Warren was appointed in his place, Skelly Warren Sec. Heywood and Phonso Christian.

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J. R. McLeay, pres. Gerard Christian, vice-pres. Skelly Warren, sec. Francis Christian and Moses Young, judges, Alphonso Christian and Sanford Warren.

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J. R. McLeay pres. Gerard Christian, vice-pres. Vieder Young and Arthur H. Young, judges, George C. Warren, sec. Skelly Warren, and David Young.

1901.

J. R. McLeay, pres. Gerard Christian, vice-pres. Vieder Young and Benj. Young, judges, George Warren, sec. Moses Young and Heywood Christian.

1902.

J. R. McLeay, pres. Gerard Christian, vice-pres. Heywood Christian and Daniel Christian, judges, Skelly Warren, secretary, Benjamin Young and Moses Young.

1903

J. R. McLeay, pres. Gerard Christian vice-pres. Moses Young and Daniel Christian, judges, Francis Christian, secretary, Alphonso Christian and Phil Coffin.

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H. A. Young pres. Francis Christian vice-pres. William Christian and Daniel, judges, the latter who died during the month of March 5th and Sanford Warren was appointed in his place, Skelly Warren sec. Heywood and Moses Christians.

Chief Magistrates etc. of Pitcairn Island from May 19. 1904

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At this date the form of government published by Mr Deputy Commissioner R.T. Simons came into force.

<u>Chief Magistrate</u>	W.A. Young	
<u>Assessors</u>	W. Christian, George Warren	
<u>Government Sec.</u>	W.H. Petch	
<u>Internal Committee</u>	Herbert Young, ch. Edmond McCoy, Edward Christian	
<u>External</u> "	W.H. Petch, " David Young, Edgar Christian	
<u>Council of Ch. Magistrate,</u>	Assessors & Chairmen of the two Committees.	

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1905 (January 1st)

<u>Chief Magistrate</u>	J.R. McCoy	
<u>Assessors</u>	Vieder Young, Fred Christian	
<u>Government Sec.</u>	W.H. Petch	
<u>Internal Committee</u>	ch. M.E. McCoy, Alphonso Christian, Heywood Christian	
<u>External</u> "	" W.H. Petch, David Young, Edgar Christian	
<u>Council of Ch. Magistrate</u>	Assessors & Chairmen of the two Committees.	

1906 (January 1st)

<u>Chief Magistrate</u>	J.R. McCoy	
<u>Assessors</u>	Robert Young, Sandford Warren	
<u>Government Sec.</u>	W.H. Petch	
<u>Internal Committee</u>	chairman Francis Hickson Christian members F.M. Christian, George Warren	
<u>External Committee</u>	chairman Edgar Christian members W.H. Petch, David Young	
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 Assessors W. Chudlow, George Warren
 Government Sec. W. H. Petch

Internal Committee Herbert Young, ch. Edmund Mc Coy, Edward Christian
 External " W. H. Petch - David Young, Edgim Christian.
 Council of Chief Magistrate, Assessors & Chairman of the two committees.

1905 (January 21)

Chief Magistrate J. W. Mc Coy
 Assessors Heider Young, Fred Christian.

Government Secretary W. H. Petch
 Internal Committee ch. H. & Mc Coy, Abraham Christian, Heywood Christian
 External " W. H. Petch, David Young, Edgim Christian.
 Council of Chief Magistrate, Assessors & Chairman of the two committees.

1906 (January 21)

Chief Magistrate J. W. Mc Coy
 Assessors Robert Young, Sandford Warren.

Government Secretary etc W. H. Petch
 Internal Committee Chairman Francis Becken Christian
 members J. A. Christian, George Warren
 External Committee Chairman Edgim Christian
 members W. H. Petch, David Young.
 Council of the Chief Magistrate, Assessors & Chairman of the two committees.

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1907 (January 1st)

Chief Magistrate	A.H. Young	a
Assessors	William Christian, Edgar Christian	
Government Secretary	W.H. Petch	
Internal Committee	David Young, chairman	b
	Members: – Vieder Young, Sandford Warren	
External Committee	Edmond M ^c Coy, chairman	
	Members: – W.H. Petch, George Warren	

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1908 (January 1st)

Chief Magistrate	Alfred Young	
Assessors	Allen Christian, William Christian	d
Government Secretary	M.H. Carey	
Internal Committee	Vieder Young chairman	
	Members – Parkin and Fred Christian	
External Committee	Gerard Christian – chairman	e
	Members – Herbert Young, Skelly Warren	

1909 (January 1st)

Chief Magistrate	Edmund McCoy	f
Assessors	Fred Christian, Fisher Young	
Internal Committee	Vieder Young, chairman	
	Members: – Gerard & Fred Christian	g
External Committee	Gerard Christian, chairman	
	Members: – David and Norris Young	
Government Secretary	David Young	h

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1907 (January 1st)

Chief Magistrate R. Mc Young
Assessors William Christian, Edgar Christian.
Government Secretary W. Mc Catch
Internal Committee David Young, chairman
Members: - Victor Young, Sanford Warren
External Committee Edmund Mc Coy, chairman.
Members: - W. Mc Catch, George Warren.

1908 (January 1st)

Chief Magistrate Alfred Young
Assessors Allen Christian, William Christian
Government Secretary M. W. Carey
Internal Committee Victor Young, chairman
members: - Parkin and Fred Christian
External Committee Gerard Christian, chairman
members: - Herbert Young, Kelly Warren

1909 January 1st

Chief Magistrate Edmund Mc Coy
Assessors Fred Christian, Fisher Young
Internal Committee Victor Young, chairman
Members: - Gerard & Fred Christian
External Committee Gerard Christian, chairman
Members: - David & Norris Young
Government Secretary David Young

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Island" and "Chief
Magistrates etc"

1910 January

Chief Magistrate	Gerard Christian	a
Assessors	Parkins & Sydney Christian	
Internal Committee	William Christian, Chair	b
	Members Herbert Young, Skelly Warren	
External Committee	Vieder Young, Chair	
	Members Benjamin Young, Phonso Christian	
Secretary	Fisher Young	c

1864 - 1963

1911 January 1st

Chief Magistrate	Gerard Christian	d
Assessors	Parkins Christian & Norris Young	
Inter. Committe	Edmund M ^c Coy	
Exter. Committe	Fred Christian	
Gov. Sec.	Fisher Young	e

1912 January 1st

Chief Magistrate	Gerard Christian	
Assessors	Herbert Young, George Warren	f
Inter. Committee	Edmund M ^c Coy Chair	
	Members, Herbert Young, George Warren	
Secretary	David Young	

1913

Chief Magistrate	Gerard Christian	
Assessors	Fred and Francis Christian	
Int. Committee	Sanford Warren	h
	Members Allen and Parkins Christian	
Sect.	David Young	

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a

1910 January
Chief Magistrate
Assessors:

Gerald Christian
Parkins & Sydney Christ

b

Internal Committee

William Christian, Chair

External Committee

Members Herbert Young & Sally Warren

Wieder Young Chair

c

Secretary

Members Benjamin Young & Thomas Christ

Fisher Young

d

1911 January 1st
Chief Magistrate
Assessors
Inter. Committee
Exter. Committee
Gov. Sec.

Gerald Christian
Parkins Christian & Morris Young
Edmund Mc Coy
Fred Christian
Fisher Young

e

1912 January 1st
Chief Magistrate
Assessors:
Inter. Committee
Secretary

Gerald Christian
Herbert Young George Warren
Edmund Mc Coy Chair
Members, Herbert Young George
David Young

f

g

1913
Chief Magistrate
Assessors
Int. Committee
Sect.

Gerald Christian
Fred Francis
Samford Warren
Members. Allen and Parkins Christ
David Young

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Chief Magistrates etc. of Pitcairn Island for 1914

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	1914	January 1 st		a
Pitcairn Island Civil Recorder, Part Two: "Rulers of Pitcairn Island" and "Chief Magistrates etc"		Chief Magistrate	Gerard Christian	
		Assessors	William and Edgar Christian	
		Chairman Internal Committe	Sanford Warren	
			Fred Christian and Norris Young	b
		Gov. Sect.	David Young	

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	1915	January 1 st 1915		c
		Chief Magistrate	Gerard Christian	
		Assessors	William and Edgar Christian	
		Chairman of Int. Committe	Parkins Christian	
		Members	Calvert and Skelly Warren	
		Government Secretary	David Young	d
		Assistant " "	[Burnell] Young	

		January 1 st 1916		e
		Chief Magistrate	Gerard Christian	
		Assessors	William Christian	
		" "	Sanford Warren	
		Chairman Internal Committe	Skelly Warren	
		Government Secretary	Edgar Christian	f
		Members of Committe	Parkins and Lancy Christian	

		January 1 st 1917		g
		Chief Magistrate	Gerard Christian	
		Assessors	Calvert Warren and Edwin Christian	
		Chairman Internal Committe	Norris Young	
		Members of " "	Elliott Christian and David Young	
		Government Secretary	Edgar Christian	h
		Ass. " "	David A. Young	

Chief Magistrate etc. of Pitcairn Island for 1914

a

1914

January 1st
 Chief Magistrate
 Assessors
 Chairman Internal Committee
 Gov. Sect.

Gerard Christian
 William and Edgar ..
 Sanford Warren
 Fred Christian and Norris young
 David Young

b

c

1915

January 1st 1915-
 Chief Magistrate
 Assessors
 Chairman of Int. Committee

Gerard Christian
 William and Edgar ..
 Parkins ..

d

Government Secretary
 Assistant ..

Members. Calvert and Skelly Warren
 David Young
 Burnell Young

e

January 1st 1916.
 Chief Magistrate.
 Assessor

Gerard Christian.
 William ..
 Sanford Warren.

f

Chairman Internal Committee
 Government Secretary.
 Members of Committee

Skelly ..
 Edgar Christian.
 Parkins, and Lancy ..

g

January 1st 1917
 Chief Magistrate
 Assessors
 Chairman Internal Committee
 Members of
 Government Secretary
 Ass.

Gerard Christian
 Calvert Warren, and Edwin C.
 Norris Young
 Elliott C. and David Young
 Edgar Christian
 David A. Young.

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Magistrates etc"

1918	<u>January 1st</u>		a
	Chief Magistrate	Gerard Christian	
	Assessors	Sydney and Edwin Christian	
	Chairman Internal Committe	Parkins Christian	
	Members of " "	Elliott and Allen Christian	b
	Government Secretary	Edgar Christian	
	Ass " "	John Christian	
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1864 - 1963			
1919	<u>January 1st</u>		c
	Chief Magistrate	Gerard Christian	
	Members of Council	Sanford Warren	
	—	Norris Young	
	Secretary —	Edgar Christian	d
	Asst. " "	John Christian	
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1920	<u>January 1st</u>		e
	Chief Magistrate	Parkins Christian	
	Assesors	Francis & Fred Warren	
	Chairman Committe	Charlie Young	
	Secretary	Edgar Christian	
	Members of Committe	David & Virgil	f
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1921	<u>January 1st</u>		
	Chief Magistrate	Fred Christian	
	Assesors	Sanford Warren	g
	" "	Edwin Christian	
	Chairman of Committe	Norris Young	
	Gov't Secretary	Edgar Christian	
	Members of Committe	Lancy Christian	h
		Selwyn Warren	

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1918 January 1st
 Chief Magistrate Gerard Christian
 Assessors Sydney and Edwin Christian
 Chairman Internal Committee Parkins Christian
 Members of " " Elliott and Allen Christian
 Government Secretary Edgar Christian
 Ass " " John " " "

1919 January 1st
 Chief Magistrate Gerard Christian
 Members of Council Sanford Warran.
 " " Norris Young
 Secretary Edgar Christian
 Ass " " John " "

1920 January 1st
 Chief Magistrate Parkins Christian
 Assessors Francis + Fred Warran
 Chairman Committee Charlie Young
 Secretary Edgar Christian
 Members of Committee David + Virgil

1921 January 1st
 Chief Magistrate, Fred Christian
 Assessors Sanford Warran.
 " Edwin Christian
 Chairman of Committee Norris Young
 Govt Secretary Edgar Christian
 Members of Committee Harvey
 Selwyn Warran.

Chief Magistrates etc. of Pitcairn Island for 1922

93	1922	<u>January 1st</u>		
		Chief Magistrate	Parkins Christian	a
		Assesors	Elliott “	
		“	Cook Coffin	
		Chairman of Committe	Herbert Young	
		Secretary	Burnell “	b
		Members of Committe	Sanford & Elmer Warren	
		Constable	Edgar Christian	
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1864 - 1963	1923	<u>Jan 1st</u>		c
		Chief Magistrate	Edgar Christian	
		Assessors	Parkins “	
		“	Rollin Warren	
		Chairman of Committe	William Christian	d
		Secretary	David Young	
		Members of Committe	Norris and Burnett Young	
		Constable	Allen Christian	
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	1924	<u>January 1st</u>		
		Chief Magistrate	Edgar Christian	
		Assessors	Cook Coffin	
		“ Fred Warren		f
		Chairman of Committe	Parkins Christian	
		Members	Herbert, [Rollin], Christie	
		Secretary	David Young	
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	1925	<u>January 1st</u>		g
		Chief Magistrate	Parkin Christian	
		Assessors	Cook Coffin	
		“	Elliott Christian	h
		Chairman Int. Committe	Vernon Young	
		Members	Thornton Christian	
			Sanford Warren	
		Gov. Sec.	David Young	

	<p>Chief Magistrate etc of Pitcairn Island. 1922.</p>	<p>39</p>
a	<p>1922 January 1st Chief Magistrate. Assessors.</p>	<p>Parkins Christian. Elliott "</p>
b	<p>" Chairman of Committee. Secretary. Members of Committee. Constable.</p>	<p>Book Coffin. Herbert Young. Burnell " Sanford & Elmer Warren Edgar Christian.</p>
c	<p>1923 Jan 1st Chief Magistrate Assessors</p>	<p>Edgar Christian Parkins "</p>
d	<p>" Chairman of Committee Secretary Members of Committee Constable</p>	<p>Rollin Warren William Christian David Young Norris and Burnell Young Allen Christian</p>
e	<p>1924 January 1st Chief Magistrate Assessors</p>	<p>Edgar Christian Book Coffin Fred Warren</p>
f	<p>" Chairman of Committee Members Secretary</p>	<p>Parkins Christian Herbert, Rollin, Christie David Young</p>
g	<p>1925- January 1st Chief Magistrate Assessors.</p>	<p>Parkin Christian Book Coffin Elliott Christian</p>
h	<p>" Chairman Sub. Committee Members. Gov. Sec.</p>	<p>Vernon Young Thomson Christian Sanford, Warren David Young,</p>

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Magistrates etc"

1926	<u>January 1st</u>		a
Chief Magistrate	Richard Edgar Christian		
Assessors	Norris Young and Rollin Warren		
Chairman Internal Committe	William Christian		b
Members of " "	Edwin Young and Virgil Chr.		
Government Secretary	David Young		
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1927			c
Chief Magistrate	Richard E. Christian		
Assessors	Norris Young and W ^m Christian		
Chairman Int. Committe	Charlie Young		
Members " "	Christie W. and Fred Brown		d
Gov. Sect.	David Young		
Ass. " "	Vernon "		
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1928			e
Chief Magistrate	Richard E. Christian		
Assessors	Parkins Christian and Cook Coffin		
Chairman Int. Committe	Percy Young		
Members " "	Sanford Warren and John Christian		f
Gov. Sect.	David Young		
Ass. Gov. Sec.	Vernon "		
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1929	<u>January 1st</u>		g
Chief Magistrate	Richard E. Christian		
Assessors	Sanford W. and Cook Coffin		
Chairman Internal Committe	John Christian		
Members	Cook Coffin and Allen Christian		h
Government Secretary	David A. Young		

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1926 January 1st

Chief Magistrate	Richard Edgar Christian
Assessor	Norris young ³ & Rollin Warren
Chairman Internal Committee	William Christian
Members of " "	Edwin young ³ & Virgil Chr.
Government Secretary	David young

1927

Chief Magistrate	Richard E. Christian
Assessor	Norris young ³ & W ³ "
Chairman Int. Committee	Charlie young
Members " "	Christie W. & Fred Brown
Gov. Sec.	David young
Ass. " "	Vernon "

1928

Chief Magistrate	Richard E. Christian
Assessors	Parkins Christian & Book Coffin
Chairman Int. Committee	Percy young
Members " "	Sanford Warren & John Christian
Gov. Sec.	David young
Ass. Gov. Sec.	Vernon "

1929 January 1st

Chief Magistrate	Richard E. Christian
Assessors	Sanford W. & Book Coffin
Chairman Internal Committee	John Christian
Members	Book Coffin & Allen Christian
Government Secretary	David A. young

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1930

January 1st 1930 A.D.

a

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Magistrates etc"

Chief Magistrate	Arthur H. Young
Assessors	Sylwin W. and Fred B.
Chairman Int. Com.	Parkins Christian
Members " "	Charlie Young and Sanford Warren
Government Secretary	Vernon Young

b

January 1st 1931

1864 - 1963

Chief Magistrate	Arthur H. Young
Assessors	Selwin W. & Theodore Y.
Chairman Int. Com.	Parkins Christian
Members	Cook Coffin & Virgil C.
Secretary	Vernon Young
" "	Edgar "

c

d

January 1, 1932.

Chief Magistrate	Edgar Christian
Assesors	Selwyn Warren
" "	Elmer "
Chairman of Committe	Fredrick Brown
Members of "	Elwyn Christian
	Wallace Warren
Government Secretary	Theodore Young

e

f

January 1933

Chief Magistrate.	Parkins Christian
Assesors.	Thornton and Vernon
Chairman.	Cook Coffin; an Alonzo & [Wilkes]
Secretary	Edgar Christian
" "	Theodore Young

g

h

Chief Magistrate etc of Pitcairn Island

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1930

January 1st 1930 A.D.

Chief Magistrate	Arthur H. Young
Assessors	Sylvain W. and Fred B. Parkinson Christian
Chairman Int. Com.	Charlie Young & Sanford Warren
Members	Vernon Young
Government Secretary	

1931 January 1st 1931

Chief Magistrate	Arthur H. Young
Assessors	Sylvain W. & Theodore Y.
Chairman Int. Com.	Parkinson Christian
Members	Book Coffin & Nigel C.
Secretary	Vernon Young
	Edgar "

January 1, 1932.

Chief Magistrate,	Edgar Christian
Assessors	Sylvain Warren
	Elmer
Chairman of Committee	Fredrick Brown
Members of "	Olwyn Christian
	Wallace Warren
Government Secretary	Theodore Young

January 1933.

Chief Magistrate	Parkinson Christian
Assessors	Thornton and Vernon
Chairman	Book Coffin; an Alonzo & Willes
Secretary	Edgar Christian
"	Theodore Young

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Magistrates etc"

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1934

January 1934

Chief Magistrate	Parkins Christian	
Assessors	George Warren & Vernon Young	b
Chairman Internal Committe	Alonzo Young	
Members for Int. Committe	Sanford & Sylwin W.	
Government Sect.	David Young	
Assistant Sect.	Vernon "	c

1935

January 1935

Chief Magistrate	R. E. Christian	
Assessors	Calvert Warren, Fred Brown	d
Chairman Internal Committee,	Burrell Young	
Members Internal Committee	Parkin & Elwyn Christian	
Government Secretary	Charles Young	
Assistant "	Anderson Warren & Warren Christian	e
Constable	John & Bert Christian	

1936

1936

Chief Magistrate	Richard E Christian	f
Assessors	Calvert Warren, Fred Brown	
Chairman Internal Com	Cook Coffin	
"	Alwyn & Alonzo	
Government Secretary	Chas R Young	g

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Chief Magistrate etc. of Pitcairn Island for 1934

1934

January 1934

Chief Magistrate Parkins Christian

Assessors George Warren & Vernon Young

Chairman Internal Committee Alonzo "

Members for Int. Committee, Sanford & Sylvain, W.

Government Sect. David Young

Assistant Sect. Vernon "

1935

January 1935

Chief Magistrate R. E. Christian

Assessors Calvert Warren Fred Brown

Chairman Internal Committee Bernard Young

Members Internal Committee Parkin & Elwyn Christian

Government Secretary Charles Young

Assistant " Anderson Warren, Warren Christian

Honorable John & Bert Christian

1936

1936

Chief Magistrate Richard E. Christian

Assessors Calvert Warren, Fred Brown

Chairman Internal Com Cook Coffin

" Elwyn & Alonzo.

Government Secretary Chas R. Young

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1937

January 1937

a

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Island" and "Chief
Magistrates etc"

Chief Magistrate	R.E. Christian
Assessors	Fred Brown & Roy Clark
Chairman Internal Committee	Grant Young
Members	Warren Christian Atkin Warren
Government Sect.	Andrew Young

b

1938

January 1938

c

1864 - 1963

Chief Magistrate	R. E. Christian
Assesors	Herbert Young
"	David Young
Chairman Internal Committe	Cook Coffin
Members	Eric Young, Arnold Christian
Government Sect.	Andrew C. Young

d

1939

January 2nd 1939

e

Chief Magistrate	A.H. Young
Assesors	Theo Young
"	Alywin Warren
Chairman Internal Committe	Cook Coffin
Members	Eric Young, Arnold Christian
Government Sect.	<small>resign Cairn Christian</small> Vernon S. Young

f

January 1940

g

Chief Magistrate	Richard Edgar Christian
	<small>died June David Young take his place</small>
Assesors	Calvert Warren
	Fred "
Chairman of Internal Committe	Warren Christian
Members	Cairn "
	Burnett "
Government Secretary	Andrew Young

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Chief Magistrate etc of Pitcairn Island for 1937

1937.

January 1937.

Chief Magistrate R. C. Christian.
Assessors Fred Brown + Roy Clark.

Chairman Internal Committee. Grant Young
Members. Warren Christian. Atkin Warren.
Government Sect. Andrew Young.

1938.

January 1938.

Chief Magistrate R. C. Christian
Assessors. Herbert Young.

" David Young
Chairman Internal Committee. Cook Coffin
Members. Eric Young. Arnold Christian
Government Sect. Andrew C. Young.

1939.

January 2nd 1939.

Chief Magistrate. A. H. Young.

Assessors. Theo. Young.

" " Allyn Warner.

Chairman Internal Committee. Cook Coffin.

Members. Eric Young. Arnold Christian
Government Sect. Vernon S. Young.

January 1940.

Chief Magistrate, Richard Edgar Christian died June
David Young takes his place

Assessors.

Garret Warner

"

Fred

Chairman of Internal Committee Warren Christian

Members:

Garret

Burnett

Government Secretary Andrew Young.

Chief Magistrate of Pitcairn Island and other Officers for the years
listed below

1941	<u>January to December 1941</u>		a
	Chief Magistrate	Herbert Young	
	Assessors	Vernon “	
	“	Theo. “	
	Secretary	Andrew “	b
	Chairman I.C.	John Christian	
	Members “	Calvert Warren	
	“ “	Norris Young	
	Postmaster	Roy Clark	c
	Policemen	Burnett Christian	
	“	Calvert Warren	d
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1942	<u>January to December 1942</u>		e
	Chief Magistrate	Fred Christian	
	Assessors	Oliver Clark	
	“	George Warren	
	Secretary	Andrew Young	f
	Chairman I.C.	Virgil Christian	
	Members “	Christie Warren	
	“ “	Grant Young	
	Postmaster	Roy Clark	g
	Policemen	Warren Christian	
	“	Eric Young	h

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1941. January to December 1941

Chief Magistrate - Herbert young.

Assessors - Vernon "

Secretary - Theo. "

Chairman J. C. Andrew "

Members - John Christian

" " Calvert Warren

Postmaster - Norris young.

Police men - Roy Clark.

" Burnett Christian

" Calvert Warren.

1942. January to December 1942.

Chief Magistrate - Fred Christian.

Assessors - Oliver Clark

" George Warren

Secretary - Andrew young.

Chairman J. C. Virgil Christian

Members - " Christie Grant Warren

" " Grant young.

Postmaster - Roy Clark.

Police men - Warren Christian

" Eric young.

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listed below

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1943	<u>January to December 1943</u>		a
	Chief Magistrate	Fred Christian	
	Assessors	John Christian	
	“	Wilks Young	b
	Secretary	Andrew Young	
	Chairman I.C.	Cook Coffin	
	Members “	Fred Brown	
	“ “	Arnold Christian	c
	Postmaster	Roy Clark	
	Policemen	Grant Young	
	“	Selwyn Warren	
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1944	<u>January to December 1944</u>		
	Chief Magistrate	Parkin Christian	
	Assessors	Christie Warren	
	“	Warren Christian	e
	Secretary	Andrew Young	
	Chairman I.C.	Theo. Christian	
	Members “	Melville Christian	
	“ “	Henry Young	f
	Secretary	Andrew Young	
	Postmaster	Roy Clark	
	Policemen	Vernon Young	
	“	Virgil Christian	g
	Warder for one month	Collin Warren	
	“ “	Selwyn “	

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Officers for the years listed below.

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1943.

January to December - 1943.

Chief Magistrate.

Fred Christian.

Assessors.

John Christian

"

Wilks young.

Secretary

Andrew young.

Chairman J. C.

Cook. Coffin

Members. "

Fried. Brown.

" "

Arnold Christian.

Postmaster

Roy Clark.

Police men

Brant young

"

Selwyn Warren

1944

January to December 1944

Chief Magistrate -

Parkin Christian

Assessors -

Christie Warren

"

Warren Christian.

Secretary -

Andrew young -

Chairman J. C.

Theo. young -

Members -

Melville Christian

~~Secretary~~

Henry young -

Postmaster -

~~Andrew young~~ Roy -

Police men.

Roy Clark.

"

Vernon young

Warder. for one month

Virgil Christian

"

Collin Warren

"

Selwyn "

Chief Magistrate and other Officers for Pitcairn Island during the
years listed below

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1945	<u>January to December 1945</u>		a
	Chief Magistrate to Sept.	Parkin Christian <small>(went to Raratonga)</small>	
	“ “ Sept. to December	Norris Young	b
	Assessors – Jan. to Sept.	Norris Young	
	“ Sept to December	Warren Christian	
	“	John Christian	
	Secretary	Andrew Young	c
	Chairman I.C. Jan. to Aug.	Cook Coffin <small>went to N.Z.</small>	
	“ “ Aug. to December	Fred Brown	
	Members “	Bert Christian	
	“ “	Wallace Warren	d
	Postmaster	Roy Clark	
	Policemen	Grant Young	
	“	Arnold Christian	
	<hr style="border-top: 3px double #000;"/>		e
1944	<u>January to December 1946</u>		
	Chief Magistrate	Norris Young	
	Assessors Jan. to March.	Vernon Young <small>went to N.Z.</small>	
	“ March to December	Wallace Warren	f
	“	Warren Christian	
	Secretary	Andrew Young	
	Chairman I.C.	Theo. Young	
	Members “	Grant “	g
	“ “	Selwyn Warren	
	Postmaster	Roy Clark	
	Policemen	Christie Warren	
	“	Ivan Christian	h

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1945

January to December 1945

Chief Magistrate to Sept. Parkin Christian

(went to Karatonga)

" " Sept. to December, Norris young.

Assessors - Jan. to Sept.

Norris young

" Sept to December

Warren Christian

"

John Christian

Secretary -

Andrew young

Chairman I. C. Jan. to Aug.

Cook Coffin. went to N. Z.

" " Aug. to December.

Fred. Brown

members. "

Bert Christian

"

Wallace Warren

Postmaster

Roy Clark

Policemen

Grant young

"

Arnold Christian

1946

January to December 1946

Chief Magistrate

Norris young

Assessors, Jan. to March.

Vernon young. went to N. Z.

" March to December

Wallace Warren

"

Warren Christian

Secretary

Andrew young

Chairman I. C.

Theo. young

Members "

Grant "

"

Selwyn Warren

Postmaster

Roy Clark

Policemen

Christie Warren

"

Ivan Christian

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years listed below

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1947	<u>January to December 1947</u>		a
	Chief Magistrate	Norris Young	
	Assessors	Oliver Clark	b
	“	Warren Christian	
	Secretary	Andrew Young	
	Chairman I.C.	Ivan Christian	
	Members “	Cook Coffin	c
	“ “	Arnold Christian	
	Postmaster	Roy Clark	
	Policemen	Vernon Young	
	“	Grant Young	d
	Wireless Operator	G. Long	
	Warder (one month)	Alwyn Warren	
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1948	<u>January to December 1948</u>		e
	Chief Magistrate	Norris Young	
	Assessors	Theo. Young	
	“	Warren Christian	
	Secretary	Andrew Young	f
	Chairman I.C.	Grant Young	
	Members “	Oliver Clark	
	“ “	Arnold Christian	
	Postmaster	Roy Clark	g
	Policemen	Vernon Young	
	“	Melville Christian	
	Wireless Operator	G. Long	

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Island during the years listed below.

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1947

January to December 1947

Chief magistrate.

Norris Young

Assessors.

Oliver Clark

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Warren Christian

Secretary

Andrew Young

Chairman J. C.

Ivan Christian

Members "

Cook Coffin

"

Arnold Christian

Postmaster

Roy Clark

Police men

Vernon Young

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Grant Young

Wireless operator

G. Long

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1948

January to December 1948

Chief Magistrate

Norris Young

Assessors.

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Warren Christian

Secretary

Andrew Young

Chairman J. C.

Grant Young

Members "

Oliver Clark

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Arnold Christian

Postmaster

Roy Clark

Police men.

Vernon Young

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Melville Christian

Wireless operator

G. Long

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1949

January to December 1949

Chief Magistrate
AssessorsSecretary
Chairman J. C.
Members "

Postmaster

Police men

Wireless

Parkin Christian
Floyd McCoy
Ivan Christian
Andrew Young
Arnold Christian
Selwyn Warren
Samuel Young
Roy Clark
Evelyn Christian
Melville "
P. Long -~~1948~~ 1950.

Chief mag. Warren Christian

Assessors. Christie Warren

" Floyd McCoy

Chmn. Selwyn Warren

Members. Selwyn "

" Book Coffin

Sect. Andrew Young

Asst. Bert Christian

Postmaster. Roy Clark

Assistant. Oscar Clark

Police Melville Christian

" Arnold Christian

1951 Chief mag. Warren Christian

Assessors. Christie Warren

" Vernon Young

Chmn. D. B. Oliver Clark

Members Wallace Warren

" Grant Young

Sect. Andrew Young

Asst. Bert Christian

Postmaster Roy Clark

Asst. ~~Bert Christian~~

Police Floyd McCoy

Asst. Arnold Christian

1952.

Chief mag. John Christian

Assessors. Christie Warren

" Vernon Young

Chmn. D. B. Langford Warren

Members Lewis Young

" Wiles Warren

Sect. Andrew Young

Asst. Bert Christian

Postmaster. Roy Clark

Asst. ~~Bert Christian~~ Oscar Clark

Police men Floyd McCoy

Asst. Arnold Christian

1953. Ch. mag. John Christian

Ass. Thornton Christian

" Christie Warren

Chmn. D. B. Clarence Young

Members Len Brown

" Elvie Christian

Sect. Andrew Young

Asst. Bert Christian

Postmaster Roy Clark

Asst. Oscar Clark

Police men Floyd McCoy

Asst. Arnold Christian

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1864 - 1963	1954	Ch. Mag.	John Christian	1955	Ch. Mag.	Parkin Christian	a
		Assessors	Warren Christian		Assessors	Anderson Warren	
		"	Vernon Young		"	Warren Christian	
	(resign 28.2.54)	Chmn. I.C.	Fred Brown, resign 28.2.54)		Chmn I.C.	Christie Warren	b
			Pervis Young takeover "		Members	Grant Young	
		Members	Arnold Christian		"	Langford Warren	
		"	Ernest Clark		Sect.	Andrew Young	
		Sect.	Andrew Young		Asst.	Bert Christian	c
		Asst.	Bert Christian		Postmaster	Roy Clark	
		Postmaster	Roy Clark		Asst.	Oscar Clark	
		Asst.	Oscar Clark		Police Officer	Floyd M°Coy	
		Policemen	Floyd M°Coy				d

	1956	Ch. Mag	Parkin Christian	1957	Ch Mag.	Parkin Christian	
		Ass.	Fred Christian		Ass.	Vernon Young	
			Warren Christian		"	Ivan Christian	e
		Chmn. I.C.	Arnold Christian		Chmn I.C.	Pervis Young	
		Members	Len Brown		Members	Clement Christian	
		"	Ernest Clark		"	Bruce Young	
		Sect.	Andrew Young		Sect. -	Andrew Young	f
		Asst.	Bert Christian		Asst.	Bert Christian	
		Postmaster	Roy Clark		Postmaster	Roy Clark	
		Asst.	Oscar Clark		Asst.	Oscar Clark	
		Police Off.	Floyd M°Coy		Police Off.	Floyd M°Coy	g
		Wireless Opr.	Tom Christian		Wireless Off.	Tom Christian	
		Engineer	Langford Warren		Engineer	Langford Warren	
		Electrician	Clarence Young		Electrician	Clarence Young	h

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1954.	<p>Ch. mag. John Christian. Assessors. Warren Christian " Vernon young. Chmn. J.C. Fred Brown, resign. 28.2.54 (Resign 28.2.54) " Lewis young take over. " Members. Arnold Christian " Ernest Clark. Sect. Andrew young Asst. Bert Christian Postmaster Roy Clark; Asst. Oscar Clark. Policemen. Floyd M'Loay</p>	<p>1955 Ch. mag. Parkin Christian Assessors. Anderson Warren " Warren Christian Chmn. J.C. Christie Warren Members. Grant young " Langford Warren Sect. Andrew young Asst. Bert Christian Postmaster Roy Clark. Asst. Oscar Clark. Police officer, Floyd M'Loay - -</p>
1956.	<p>Ch. mag. Parkin Christian Ass. Fred Christian Warren Christian Chmn. J.C. Arnold Christian Members. Len Brown " Ernest Clark. Sect. Andrew young Asst. Bert Christian Postmaster Roy Clark. Asst. Oscar Clark. Police off. Floyd M'Loay Wireless opr. Tom Christian Engineer Langford Warren Electrician Clarence young.</p>	<p>1957. Ch. mag. Parkin Christian Ass. Vernon young " Ivan Christian. Chmn. J.C. Lewis young Members. " Clement Christian " " Bruce young Sect. A Andrew young Asst. Bert Christian. Postmaster. Roy Clark - Asst. Oscar Clark. Police off. Floyd M'Loay - wireless off. Tom Christian Engineer Langford Warren Electrician Clarence young</p>

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1958	Ch. Mag.	Warren Christian	1959	Ch. Mag.	Warren Christian, Resign	a
	Ass.	Parkin Christian	Oct 8	"	John Christian	
	"	Ivan Christian		Ass.	Elwyn Christian	
				"	Ivan Christian	
	Chmn. I.C.	Oliver Clark		Chmn I.C.	Wilkes Young	b
	Members	Radley Christian		Members	Pervis Young	
	"	Wiles Warren		" resign July	Clement Christian	
	Sect.	Andrew Young			Len Brown	
	Asst.	Bert Christian		Sect	Andrew Young	
	Postmaster	Oscar Clark		Asst.	Bert Christian	c
	Asst.	Ben Christian		Postmaster	Oscar Clark	
	Police off.	Floyd McCoy		Asst.	Ben Christian	
	Wireless off.	Tom Christian		Wireless off.	Anderson Warren	
	Asst.	Anderson Warren			Tom Christian	
	Engineer	Langford Warren		Police off.	Floyd M ^c Coy	d
	Electrician	Clarence Young		Engineer	Wiles Warren	
				Electrician	Len Brown	
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1960	Ch. Mag.	John Christian	1961	Ch mag.	John Christian	
	Ass.	Elwyn Christian		Ass.	Colin Warren <small>Leave March</small>	e
	"	Henry Young		takeover	Ivan Christian <small>March</small>	
	Chmn. I.C.	Len Brown		"	Henry Young	
	Members	Jacob Warren		Chmn.	Jacob Warren <small>Leave Sept</small>	
	"	Radley Christian <small>Leave Apr.</small>		members	Wilkes Young	
	"	Pervis Young - takeover		takeover	Pervis Young	f
	Sect.	Andrew Young		members	Keen Warren <small>leave May</small>	
	Asst.	Bert Christian		"	Wallace Warren	
	Postmaster	Oscar Clark		Sect.	Andrew Young <small>leave May</small>	
	Asst.	Ben Christian			Bert Christian	
	Police off.	Floyd McCoy		Ass.	Bruce Young - <small>May to Sept</small>	g
	Wireless opr.	Tom Christian		Typist	Marie Christian	
	Asst.	Anderson Warren		Postmaster	Oscar Clark	
	Engineer	Wiles Warren		Asst.	Ben Christian	
	Electrician	Len Brown		Police off.	Floyd McCoy	
	Agriculturalist	Desmond Christian		Engineer	Wiles Warren	h
				Electrician	Len Brown	
				Agriculturalist	Desmond Christian	
				Wireless	Tom Christian	
				Asst.	Anderson Warren	

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Ch. mag, Warren Christian
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 " Ivan Christian
 Chmn. J. b. Oliver Clark
 members. Radley Christian
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 Sect. Andrew young
 Asst. Bert Christian
 Postmaster Oscar Clark
 Asst. Ben Christian
 Police off. Floyd McBoy
 Wireless off. Tom Christian
 Asst. Anderson Warren
 Engineer Langford Warren
 Electrician, Clarence young

1959. Ch. mag. Warren Christian, Reg.
 Oct. 8. " John Christian
 " Elwyn Christian
 Asst. ~~Henry young~~
 " Ivan Christian
 Chmn. J. b. ~~Peter young~~
 Wiles
 Members: Peter young
 " ~~Walter~~ Clement Christian
 July. Len Brown
 Sect. Andrew young
 Asst. Bert Christian
 Postmaster Oscar Clark
 Asst. Ben Christian
 Wireless off. ~~Anderson Warren~~
 Tom Christian
 Police off. Floyd McBoy
 Engineer Wiles Warren
 Electrician Len Brown.

1960

Ch. mag. John Christian
 Asst. Elwyn Christian
 " Henry young
 Chmn. J. b. Len Brown
 Members, Jacob Warren
 " Radley Christian leave. off.
 " Peter young - take over
 Sect. Andrew young
 Asst. Bert Christian
 Postmaster Oscar Clark
 Asst. Ben Christian
 Police off. Floyd McBoy
 Wireless off. Tom Christian
 Asst. Anderson Warren
 Engineer Wiles Warren
 Electrician Len Brown
 Agriculturalist Desmond Christian

1961 Ch. mag. John Christian
 Asst. Colin Warren leave
 take over Ivan Christian March
 Henry young
 Chmn. ~~Walter~~ Jacob Warren
~~Wiles young~~ leave Sept
 take over Peter young
 members. Ken Warren leave May
 " Wallace Warren
 Sect. Andrew young leave May
 Bert Christian
 Asst. Bruce Young - May to Sept
 Tippit Marie Christian
 Postmaster Oscar Clark
 Asst. Ben Christian
 Police off. Floyd McBoy
 Engineer Wiles Warren
 Electrician Len Brown
 Agriculturalist Desmond Christian
 Wireless Tom Christian
 Asst. Anderson Warren

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Ch. Mag. John Christian

Asst. Vernon Young

" Henry Young

Chmn. J.C. ~~Henry~~ Vernon Young

Members. Radley Christian

" Samy Young

Sect. Andrew Young

Asst. Bert Christian

Postmaster Oscar Clark

Asst. Ben Christian

Police Off. Floyd Mc Coy

Wireless off. Tom Christian

Asst. Anderson Warren

Engineer Wiles Warren

Electrician Len Brown

Agriculturalist Desmond Christian

1963

Ch. Mag. John Christian

Asst. Ivan Christian

" Elwyn Christian

Sect. Ben Christian

" Bert Christian

Chmn. J.C. Radley Christian

members Sam Young

Postmaster Oscar Clark

Asst. Warren Christian

Police off. Floyd Mc Coy

Wireless off. Tom Christian

Asst. Anderson Warren

Engineer Wiles Warren

Electrician Len Brown

Agriculturalist Desmond Christian

94. "List of Pacific Islands belonging to Great Britain or under British Protection", Colonial Office printed paper, December 1893

Printed for the use of the Colonial Office.

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No Guarantee is intended to be conveyed that this List is exhaustive.

**Australian,
No. 157.**

**List of Pacific Islands belonging to Great Britain or under
British Protection.**

A.—BRITISH ISLANDS FORMALLY ANNEXED.

Name of Islands.	Remarks.
Starbuck Island - - - -	Taken possession of by Commander Wm. Swinburn, Her Majesty's Ship "Mutine," December 1866.
Kernadec Islands - - - -	British flag hoisted at Sunday Island on the 31st July 1886, by Captain F. S. Clayton, Her Majesty's Ship "Diamond," and a Proclamation read, proclaiming the Queen's sovereignty over the Kernadec Group. } Annexed to New Zealand.
Christmas Island - - - -	Taken possession of by Captain Sir W. Wiseman, Her Majesty's Ship "Caroline," 17th March 1888.
Fanning Island - - - -	Taken possession of by Captain Sir W. Wiseman, Her Majesty's Ship "Caroline," 15th March 1888. This Island has been in the occupation of Mr. Greig since 1857.
Tongareva (Penrhyn Island) - - - -	Taken possession of by Captain Sir W. Wiseman, Her Majesty's Ship "Caroline," 22nd March 1888.
Suvarov (Suwarrow Island) - - - -	Annexed on the 22nd April 1889, by Captain W. McF. Castle. Her Majesty's Ship "Rapid."
Macquarie Island - - - -	Specified as a dependency of Tasmania in the Commission of the first Governor of the Colony, 1825.
Rotumah Island - - - -	Annexed as a portion of the British Colony of Fiji in 1880.
Trobriand Islands - - - -	British Protectorate proclaimed over these Islands, January 1885. Queen's sovereignty proclaimed over British New Guinea, including Trobriand and these Islands, by the Administrator at Port Moresby on the 4th September 1888.
Woodlark Islands - - - -	
D'Entrecasteaux Islands - - - -	
Louisiade Archipelago - - - -	
Lord Howe Island - - - -	First occupied in 1833 or 1834. No record of hoisting of the British flag, but is specifically mentioned in the Constitution Acts, and in various proclamations and Governors' instructions as a dependency of New South Wales.
Norfolk Island - - - -	Discovered on October 10, 1774, by Captain Cook. Is a dependency of New South Wales, to which it was annexed, and the Governor of that Colony appointed Governor by Order in Council of 24th June 1856.
Pitcairn Island - - - -	Settled by the mutineers of the "Bounty," 1789. No record of the hoisting of the British flag, or of its having been declared British territory, but so considered.

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C.—BRITISH PROTECTORATES—*continued*

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Name of Islands.	Remarks.
Phoenix Group, viz. :—*	
Phoenix Island	British flag hoisted, and protectorate proclaimed by Commander C. F. Oldham, Her Majesty's Ship "Egeria" } June and July 1889
Birnie Island	
Hull Island †	
Sydney Island	
Gardiner Island †	
Danger Islands, viz. :—	
Puka Puka	Protectorate proclaimed by Captain H. W. S. Gibson, Her Majesty's Ship "Curaçoa," on 2nd June 1892.
Motukoe	
Motukavata	
Nassau Island	Protectorate proclaimed by Captain H. W. S. Gibson, Her Majesty's Ship "Curaçoa," on 3rd June 1892.
Gilbert Group, including—	
Arorai, Tamana, Onoatua, Peru, Nukunau, Taputeuea, Nonuti, Aramuka, Kuria, Apamama, Maiana, Tarawa, Apaiang, Maraki, Taritari, Makin, and Islands de- pending upon them.	Protectorate proclaimed by Captain E. H. M. Davis, Her Majesty's Ship "Royalist," 27th May 1892.
Ellice Group, including—	
Vaitupu or Tracey Island	Protectorate proclaimed by Captain H. W. S. Gibson, Her Majesty's Ship "Curaçoa," September 1892.
Niutao or Lynx "	
Nanomea or St. Augustine "	
Nanomana or Hudson "	
Nui or Netherland "	
Nukufetau or De Peyster "	
Funafuti or Ellice "	
Nukulalalai or Mitchell "	
Nurakita or Sophie "	
Southern Solomon Islands, lying within the British sphere of influence, as arranged by the Declaration signed at Berlin on 6th April 1886, including—	
Mono or Treasury Island, Narovo or Eddystone Island, Ronongo, Gizo, Vella Lavella, Kulambangra, New Georgia, Wana Wana, Rendova, Montgomery or Prince Island, Murray or Buraku Island, Russell or Pavuvu Islands, Savo Island, Guadalcanar, Florida, Buena Vista Islands, Malaita, Ulawa, Three Sisters, San Christoval, Ugi, And the rocks and islets adjacent to the larger Islands.	Protectorate proclaimed by Captain H. W. S. Gibson, Her Majesty's Ship "Curaçoa," in June-July 1893.

* Canton Island, which forms part of the Phoenix Group, was visited by Her Majesty's Ship "Egeria" on the 1st July, 1889, but protectorate was not declared, in consequence of a notice-board found, declaring that Canton Island was the property of C. A. Williams, Esq., of New London, U.S.A.

† Hull and Gardner Islands are leased to Mr. Arundel. See under (B).

COLONIAL OFFICE,
December, 1893.

95. Admiralty reports regarding proclamations for Rennell, Bellona and Stewart Islands

In any further communication on this subject, please quote
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and address letter to—
The Secretary,
Admiralty, Whitehall,
London, S.W.

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Admiralty,
24th August 1897.

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L. Jones

Sir,

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With reference to your letter of the 27th March, I am commanded by My Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty to transmit herewith, for the information of the Secretary of State, copies of letters as marked in the margin from the Officer Commanding H. M. S. "WALLAROO" respecting the proclamation of a Protectorate over the Rennell, Bellona and Stewart Islands, together with a copy of the remarks of the Commander-in-Chief on the Australian Station.

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Letters of :-

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1st July	27

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

Hy Vansittart Neale

Under
Secretary of State,
COLONIAL OFFICE.

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Report of declaring a British Protectorate over
the Island of Bellona.

H.M.S. "WALLAROO".
off Bellona Island,
17th June 1897.

Sir,

I have the honour to report that in compliance
with my instructions I landed at 8 a m today with a party of
men on Bellona Island, planted the British Flag and with due
ceremony declared the Island under British Protection.

The Union Jack was hoisted on the ground above the sandy
beach on the North West corner of the island, the only
place where a landing, even on the finest day, could be
effected.

I have etc.

(Sd) G. N A Pollard
Captain.

Rear Admiral Cyprian A.G. Bridge
Commander-in-Chief,
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P R O C L A M A T I O N .

In the name of Her Majesty VICTORIA Queen of the
United Kingdom of GREAT BRITAIN and IRELAND, EMPRESS OF INDIA

By George Northmore Arthur Pollard Captain in the
Royal Navy commanding Her Majesty's Ship "WALLAROO".

WHEREAS I have it in command from Her Majesty
Queen Victoria through Her Principal Secretary of State for
the Colonies to declare that Her Majesty has this day
assumed a Protectorate over THIS ISLAND of BELLONA situated
in Latitude 11° 23' South and Longitude 159° 47' East from
Greenwich.

NOW THEREFORE I George Northmore Arthur Pollard,
Captain of Her Majesty's Ship "WALLAROO" do hereby proclaim
and declare to all men that from and after the dates of
these presents the above-mentioned ISLAND of BELLONA has
been placed under the British Solomon Island Protectorate
under the jurisdiction of Her Majesty's High Commissioner
for the Western Pacific.

Given under my hand at Bellona Island this seven-

Witness

teenth day of June 1897.

(Sd) E.G. Chamberlain
Clerk
H.M.S. "WALLAROO".

(Sd) G.N.A. Pollard
Captain.

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H.M.S. "WALLAROO"

off Bellona Island,

17 June 1897.

Sir,

I have the honour to submit for your information, with my letter of having declared a British Protectorate over this island, a report, so far as could under the circumstances be obtained from personal observation of Bellona Island.

2. The Island is of coral formation and fringed by a reef on which the surf breaks heavily rendering landing impossible except on a sandy beach on the North West Corner, and that only on the finest days. The 17th June was sufficiently fine to admit of a precarious landing being made in a whale boat, but no larger or heavier boat could have attempted it without being swamped.

3. Dense forests extend to the water's edge and the thickness of the undergrowth and creepers would render penetration extremely laborious and more time would be occupied than was at my disposal, in ascertaining the nature of the ground in the interior.

4. A few natives made their appearance, evidently of a fisher class, as they appeared to own the few canoes hauled up on the strand, and primitive fishing arrangements there in view.

5. They greeted us in a friendly manner, assisting the boat through the surf, and offered spears, bows and arrows for barter.

6. They took to the hills in haste however, when the salute

by Admiral Cyprian A.G. Bridge

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Commander-in-Chief,

AUSTRALIA.

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was fired on planting the Union Jack, and did not
re-appear till after we had taken our departure.

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7. So far as could be made out there were no white
people on the island.

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8. A few cocoa-nut trees were observed in clumps of
seven or eight, the best of which apparently was a grove
on the North Western extreme, and another on the South
end of Bellona, also a few palms and banana trees were
observed.

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9. There must of course be water on the island but no
streams were observed when steaming round it, and
whether the supply is from wells or rain I am unable
to state.

I have etc.

(Sd) G. N. A. Pollard.

Captain.

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island of Rennell.

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H.M.S. "WALLAROO"
Rennell Island,
17th June 1897.

Sir,

I have the honour to report that in
accordance with my instructions I landed at 3 p m today
with a party of thirty men on Rennell Island, planted the
British Flag and with due ceremony, the party firing a
"feu de joie", declared the island under British
Protection.

2. The Union Jack was planted on a small bluff to
the westward but nearly opposite to a conspicuous cliff
and a bottle containing a copy of the Declaration left in
a Crevasse at the spot.

3. This was the only spot where a landing was
found practicable on account of the fringing reef on
which a heavy surf was breaking even though the day was
one of the finest.

I have etc.

Admiral
Stephen A.G. Bridge
Commander-in-Chief,
AUSTRALIA.

(Sd) G.N.A. Pollard
Captain

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P R O C L A M A T I O N

In the name of Her Majesty VICTORIA Queen of
the United Kingdom of GREAT BRITAIN and IRELAND, EMPRESS
OF INDIA.

By George Northmore Arthur Pollard Captain in the
Royal Navy commanding Her Majesty's Ship "WALLAROO"

WHEREAS I have it in command from Her Majesty
Queen Victoria through Her Principal Secretary of State
for the Colonies to declare that Her Majesty has this
day assumed a Protectorate over THIS ISLAND OF RENNELL
situated in Latitude 11° 34' South, and Longitude 159° 55'
East from Greenwich.

NOW THEREFORE I George Northmore Arthur Pollard
Captain of Her Majesty's Ship "WALLAROO" do hereby proclaim
and declare to all men that from and after the dates of
these presents the above mentioned ISLAND of RENNELL has
been placed under the British Solomon Island Protectorate
under the jurisdiction of Her Majesty's High Commissioner
for the Western Pacific.

Given under my hand at RENNELL Island this
seventeenth day of June 1897.

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F. G. Chamberlain
Clerk
H.M.S. "WALLAROO".

(Sd) G.N.A. Pollard
Captain.

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REPORT ON THE ISLAND OF RENNELL

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H. M. S. "WALLABOO"

Rennell Island,

17th June 1897.

Sir,

I have the honour to submit for your information with my letter of having declared a British Protectorate over this Island a report, so far as could be observed under the circumstances of Rennell Island.

2. The island is of coral formation to the very summit as could be observed from the cliffs of that nature which shewed in some spots on the highest places.

3. The whole island is densely wooded with large forest trees and the undergrowth and creepers that cover the ground to the very edge of the water would render exploration a matter of some time.

4. The sea face all along the North and West sides, which are to leeward are steep with perpendicular cliffs of great height and though close at the foot there is a plateau of coral some ten or twelve feet above the water this plateau is so broken that walking is extremely difficult.

5. Outside this edge is a fringing reef some twenty yards off on which the sea breaks, and no inlet could be found into the narrow lagoon between the fringing reef and main body of coral that forms the island.

6. No Natives or human beings were seen, nor was the nature of the ground such as would allow of any living except possibly at or near the top, but it would occupy an exploring party many days before a thorough investigation of the interior could be made.

7. No Cocoa nut trees were observed anywhere during the time

ADAMIRAL

Francis A.G. Bridge

Commander-in-Chief,

AUSTRALIA.

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time the coast was examined by the Ship and nothing but rank undergrowth and creepers could be seen.

8. There are no outlaying dangers, deep water reaching to the very edge of the outer reefs, which apparently rise straight from the bottom, but landing is a matter of great difficulty and care even in the finest weather and on the lee side of the land.

I have etc.

(Sd) G.N.A. Pollard

Captain.

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Report of declaring a British Protectorate over the
Stewart Islands .

H. M. S. "WALLAROO"

Stewart Island,

21st June 1897

Sir,

I have the honour to report that in accordance
with my instructions I landed this morning with a party of
men and Officers at Sikaiana Island of the Stewart Group,
and with due ceremony and a "feu de joie" in the presence
of the Chiefs declared the islands under British Protection.

2. Copies of the Declaration were left in the possession
of the King and his next in authority, and the former was
presented with the Flag used for the occasion.

3. The Islands being placed under British Protection
appeared to give much satisfaction to the islanders
the King and Chiefs of whom expressed, as well as they were
able, their pleasure at the event, and fully realised the
situation of the Protectorate.

I have etc.

(Sd) G. N. A. Pollard
Captain.

Admiral
Cyprian A. G. Bridge
Commander-in-Chief
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In the name of Her Majesty Victoria Queen of
 the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, Empress
 of India.

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By George Northmore Arthur Pollard Captain in
 the Royal Navy, commanding Her Majesty's Ship "WALLAROO".

Whereas I have it in command from Her Majesty
 Queen Victoria through Her Principal Secretary of State
 for the Colonies to declare that Her Majesty has this day
 assumed a Protectorate over the Group of Islands known as
 the Stewart Islands, and named separately Sikaiana, Faore,
 Manduiloto, Barena, and Matu Avi with the surrounding
 reefs situated within the following limits, Latitude
 8° 21' South and 8° 24' South and Longitude 162° 55' East
 and 163° 1' East from Greenwich.

Now therefore I George Northmore Arthur Pollard
 Captain of Her Majesty's Ship "WALLAROO" do hereby
 proclaim and declare to all men that from and after the
 dates of these presents the above-mentioned Islands of the
 Stewart Group have been placed under the ^{British} Solomon Island
 Protectorate under the jurisdiction of Her Majesty's
 High Commissioner for the Western Pacific.

Given under my hand at Sikaiana Island this
 twenty first day of June 1897.

(Sd) G.N.A. Pollard
 Captain.

Witness

E.G. CHAMBERLAIN
 Clerk

H.M.S. "WALLAROO".

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REPORT ON THE STEWART GROUP OF ISLANDS.

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H.M.S. "WALLAROO"

at Sea Lat. 9.35 S
Long. 160.30 E.

22nd June 1897.

Sir,

I have the honour to submit for your information my report on the Stewart Islands from observations and enquiries made at the time of landing to declare the islands under British Protection as brought before your notice in my report.

2. The Stewart Islands have a short description in the Sailing directions, which, so far as they mention the subject, is correct and is sufficient for purposes of Navigation, but I may mention that the deep water runs to the edge of the reef on the lee side of the island with the same abruptness as other parts rendering anchoring in the ordinary way out of the question, but the "WALLAROO" was secured by laying a kedge anchor on the edge of the reef and lying to it by a steel hawser; also I am informed that the Trading Schooner which visits the islands every three or four months secures in the same way, though with some risk and it is a doubtful method of security, as the same vigilance must be exercised to prevent possible accidents, if the wind changes, as if the Ship were under weigh.

4. The inlet into the reef, of which there is only one, is very narrow, and when the water outside falls below the level of the reefs the outcome from the Lagoon is in the form of a cataract against which it is impossible to

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propel a boat of any size, or one that can not be lifted over the shallows at the edge. The body of water in the Lagoon, after the sea outside has fallen below the level of the coral, cannot all escape during one tide, consequently this outrush is going on till the water on the flood tide again reaches the level, which leaves little more than two hours quiet in the inlet. On passing this there is shallow water for a cable, with only a foot or so at low tide, to cross, after which the Lagoon is entered which has deep water till close to the landing at Sikaiana Island.

4. Sikaiana island is the largest of the group and contains the principal inhabitants and the chief village in which the King, as he is designated, has his residence. The village, containing some 50 or 60 houses, lies facing a sandy beach on the north side of the island some 50 yards from the water; the houses stand in two rows with a road between, they are of a primitive frame construction with matted sides and roofs, but some of the best to do in the Settlement have corrugated iron coverings. That owned by the King is about 30 feet by 15 in measurement containing no other furniture than matting on the ground on each side to lie on with a narrow pathway of clean stones in the centre. He also owns several houses, but I believe this one referred to is also used as the House of Assembly for the Elders to discuss matters connected with the community. In front of this building is a small grass plot looking as if it were habitually kept clean and clear of cocoanut litter that lays in heaps round other houses. On this grass plot the Union Jack was placed and the Protectorate declared over the Island.

5. The inhabitants, I am informed, number about two

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hundred (200) are of a thick set, sturdy appearance of a light coppery colour, and in appearance resemble more the inhabitants of the Hawaiian Islands than others that I have seen

6. There is no Native costume the dress being any article of apparel that can be obtained, and they shew their anxiety to obtain a dress of any description by eagerly arraying themselves in any article of clothing that may be presented to them.

7. They are cleanly in their habits and there are no offensive smells about the island, and beyond coconut litter the surroundings may be said to be neat and tidy.

8. They have refused to allow a Missionary to settle on the islands, being satisfied, it appears with their form of religion, the nature of which I was unable to make out, though I am informed that it is a species of Idolatry, and that there is only one idol, which is kept solely in the hands of the King, the mystic secrets of which are only known to two others, and on such occasions as require communion the idol is conferred with by these three and the result doubtless acted on in their own manner.

9. They are extremely anxious to be educated, and have offered as a salary for a white teacher, a house, a wife and ten cocoa nut trees. The value of the house and wife may not be substantial, but as cocoa nut trees in good condition yield from 200 to 250 nuts a year, the advertisement might be worth considering by a teacher not in Holy Orders, as they emphatically refuse to allow a Clergyman to settle on the Islands.

9. They are a healthy race on the whole, though they suffer a good deal from fever, the exact kind I was unable

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to find out, but they fully appreciate the efficacy of quinine so I presume it is of the Malarial order.

10. The islands abound in cocoa nut trees, some banana and taro.

11. I was unable to find out anything regarding their marriage customs and laws.

12. Their dead are taken to sea and buried and they are of the belief that their spirits visit the islands.

13. They have wells on the islands to supply themselves with water, also they store rain for their individual use, but for drinking purposes very little water is used, as they use principally cocoa nut milk to quench their thirst.

14. They are visited every three or four months by a Schooner belonging to Messrs Swanson and Co. of the Solomon Islands, who trade with them and bring away a certain quantity of Beche-de-Mer and Copra.

15. I may mention that the export from these islands now of Beche-de-Mer is very small, the sea slug from over gathering having been nearly exterminated, but the trade in Copra is in full force, the Schooner bringing away each trip from 7 to 8 tons, and when it is understood that five thousand (5000) cocoa nuts are required for one ton of copra the growth of nuts on these islands may be realised

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REPORT ON PITCAIRN ISLAND.

H. M. S. "COMUS" at Sea,

Lat: 39° 44' S.
Long: 100° 31' W.

23rd November 1897.

Sir,

I have the honour to report that the population of Pitcairn Island is now 149, having increased from 136 in 1894. During the last 18 months there have been seven births, one death from natural causes, and two murders (vide special letter). Robert Buffett is the oldest inhabitant, being 76 years of age. He is the son of the man who in 1823 volunteered to remain on the Island to help teach etc.

The people all seem happy and contented with their lot, poor as it is.

Meat, except chicken, which is not much cared for, is unknown. All the bullocks were unwisely killed years ago. Sheep will not thrive at all. The Island is over-run with chickens which have become almost wild. There is no liquor in the island, and smoking is unknown. Tea, Coffee, etc. also they never have, using water only. A new Governing body of seven is elected on 1st of January of each year, women and men all voting alike. The seven selected nominate one of their own number to be chairman. The organ taken to the Island in H.M.S. "QUEEN-VICTORIA" H.M.S. "OPAL" in 1879 as a present from H.M. Queen Victoria is now nearly worn out, owing to the damp climate. The boat taken by H.M.S. "Hyacinth" is in good order, and a few materials were supplied for its repair.

2. The question whether the constant inter-marrying that has taken place in 107 years is physically degenerating the younger members, is a very interesting one. However, one

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London, S.W.

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curious trait is very noticeable in them viz:- the loss of the front teeth. To be correct, the teeth are not lost, but broken off. Some attribute this defect to the food eaten by the inhabitants, such as bananas, yams, &c. but this is not noticed amongst the negro races in various parts of the world or even in the Tahitian natives close at hand who live on the same sort of food. Again, an American Missionary and his wife who have been on the Island since June 1896, superintending the School, both assured me that the want of intellect among the young was simply appalling, and they had no hesitation in putting it down to this inter-marrying. In fact they had given up all hope of improvement, and intended leaving by the first opportunity.

3. The men are strong and active, the women the same, and both well developed. Yet one could not help noticing a want of something, although they are certainly, especially the men, very keen in making a good bargain for the Island goods.

4. Their great wants are clothes of every sort, few, if any, having boots or stockings. Also nails, iron, hammers, paint etc. to repair the boats on which the whole intercourse they have with the outer world depends,- it being impossible to land in one's own boats.

The Island goods are exchanged with passing Ships, but the "Comus" was the first Man-of-War that ^{had} visited Pitcairn since January 1896, so their clothes had run to a very low ebb. Sailing Ships as a rule can spare very little and months often pass without a ship calling at the Island. As to literature, they have little or none, in fact they refused what was offered them. They do absolutely nothing all day. As regards clothes, their stock had run so low that I gave them 105 yards of flannel, for the use of the women, as a present from Her Majesty's Government, which I feel sure will be approved of. I enclose a list of the various articles

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articles with which I supplied them. Gardening tools are also required. The Missionary Schooner that used to visit the Island has been sold, so that they are worse off than ever now.

5. I was told that the morals of the community are not what they should be, and that lately several illegitimate children had been born.

6. In conclusion, I have no hesitation in saying that soon the question will have to be faced - are they to continue as they are? viz:- marrying among themselves and increasing. The slender resources they have will not stand a much greater population, and among the young men, a desire is evinced to leave the Island.

I have the honour etc.

(Sd) Henry H. Dyke.

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LIST OF ARTICLES SUPPLIED.

Oars Ash 16 feet - - - - - 12 in number.

Iron flats 2" by $\frac{1}{4}$ - - - - - 20 lbs.

Iron Flats $2\frac{1}{2}$ " by $\frac{3}{8}$ - - - - - 24 lbs.

Junk 3 inch - - - - - 1 cwt.

Trusses (Medical) - - - - - 1 in number.

Flannel - - - - - 105 yards (1 bale).

Soap - - - - - 100 lbs.

(Sd) Henry H. Dyke,

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Rear-Admiral Bury
Palliser to Admiralty

25 April 1898

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Enclosure to A.L. ~~the 20th~~ *14 June to Colonial Office?*

"Imperieuse" at Sea. 325

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25th April 1898.

PITCAIRN ISLAND.

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It is a difficult question to decide what should be done for the welfare of this community, in regard to whom we have assumed a sort of moral responsibility.

There is no doubt that they are deteriorating through the effects of inter-marriage and over population.

A present of some live stock, bullocks, goats, pigs, also clothes and gardening tools, would meet present wants, but it is a question whether it would not be wiser, now these people have left their primitive ways and vice and crime are amongst them, to appoint a Governor of some sort in supreme command of the Island.

I wish to refer their Lordships to a copy of a report by Captain Proby Doughty (forwarded herewith), which, though made years ago, seems to bear on the matter.

It seems to be the absence of discipline and incentive to work that is chiefly the cause of this lack of moral fibre.

Any who wish to leave the island should be encouraged to do so. Even if they return, they will bring new ideas.

(Signed) H. Bury Palliser.

Rear-Admiral,

Commander in Chief.

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