

thinks proper for giving due publicity thereto within the Northern Territories.

VIII. His Majesty may disallow any such Ordinance wholly or in part, and may signify such disallowance by Order in Council or through a Secretary of State, and upon such disallowance being notified in the Gazette, the provisions so disallowed shall, from and after a date to be mentioned in such notification, cease to have effect, but without prejudice to anything theretofore lawfully done thereunder. Due notification shall be publicly made by the Governor within the Northern Territories of the disallowance of any such Ordinance.

IX. The Governor shall use the Public Seal of the Gold Coast Colony for sealing all things whatsoever relating to the Northern Territories that are required to be under the Public Seal.

X. The Governor may, upon sufficient cause to him appearing, suspend from the exercise of his office any person holding or exercising any office within the Northern Territories, whether appointed by the Governor or under or by virtue of any Commission or Warrant granted, or which may be granted, by His Majesty in His Majesty's name or under His Majesty's authority, which suspension shall continue and have effect only until His Majesty's pleasure therein shall be signified to the Governor by a Secretary of State. The Governor, in proceeding to any such suspension, shall observe the directions in that behalf given to him by any instructions from His Majesty or signified through a Secretary of State.

XI. The Governor, or in the absence of the Governor from the Northern Territories the Chief Commissioner, may, as he shall see occasion, when any crime has been committed within the Northern Territories, or for which the offender may be tried therein, grant a pardon, in His Majesty's name, to any accomplice, not being the actual perpetrator of such crime, who shall give such information and evidence as shall lead to the apprehension and conviction of the principal offender; and further, may grant to any offender convicted of any crime in any court, or before any Judge, Justice, Magistrate, or other Officer within the Northern Territories a pardon, either free or subject to lawful conditions, or any respite of the execution of the sentence of any such offender, for such period as to the Governor, or, in the absence of the Governor from the Northern Territories, to the Chief Commissioner, may seem fit, and may remit any fines, penalties, or forfeitures which may become due and payable.

XII. This Order shall be published in the Gazette, and shall thereupon come into operation, and the Governor shall give directions for the publication of this Order at such places, and in such manner, and for such time or times as he thinks proper for giving due publicity thereto within the Northern Territories.

XIII. His Majesty may from time to time revoke, alter, add to, or amend this Order.

And the Right Honourable Joseph Chamberlain, one of His Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State, is to give the necessary directions herein accordingly.

A. W. Fitz Roy.

At the Court at *Saint James's*, the 26th day of *September*, 1901.

PRESENT,

The KING's Most Excellent Majesty.

Lord George Hamilton.

Mr. Chamberlain.

Mr. St. John Brodrick.

Sir Charles Scott.

WHEREAS the territories in West Africa situate within the limits of this Order, heretofore known as Ashanti, have been conquered by His Majesty's forces, and it has seemed expedient to His Majesty that the said territories should be annexed to and should henceforth form part of His Majesty's dominions, and that provision should be made for the peace, order, and good government of the said territories in manner hereinafter provided:

Now therefore His Majesty, by virtue and in exercise of the powers in His Majesty vested, is pleased, by and with the advice of His Privy Council, to order, and it is hereby ordered, as follows:—

I. This Order may be cited as the Ashanti Order in Council, 1901.

II. Until further provision be made in respect thereof the limits of this Order are the territories which are bounded as follows:—On the south by the Colony of the Gold Coast; on the west by the line of the frontier between the British and French possessions from a point on that frontier 1,000 metres to the south of Aburuferasi to the point where the frontier cuts the eighth parallel of north latitude; on the north by the eighth parallel of north latitude; and on the east by the line of the frontier between the British and German possessions from the point where that frontier cuts the eighth parallel of north latitude to a point on the left bank of the Volta River due west of the village of Krobo.

III. In this Order, unless the subject or context otherwise requires,—

“His Majesty” includes His Majesty's heirs and successors.

“Secretary of State” means one of His Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State.

“Treaty” includes any existing or future Treaty, Convention, Agreement, or Arrangement, made by or on behalf of Her late Majesty Queen Victoria or His Majesty with any civilized power or with any native tribe, people, chief, or king, and any regulation appended to any such Treaty, Convention, Agreement, or Arrangement.

“Gazette” means the Gold Coast Government Gazette.

“Governor” includes the Officer for the time being administering the Government of the Gold Coast Colony.

IV. From and after the coming into operation of this Order the aforesaid territories shall be annexed to and form part of His Majesty's dominions and shall be known as Ashanti.

V. The Governor of the Gold Coast Colony may, on His Majesty's behalf, exercise all powers and jurisdiction of His Majesty within Ashanti, and to that end may take or cause to be taken all such measures, and may do or cause to be done all such matters and things therein as are lawful, and as in the interest of His Majesty's service he may think expedient, subject to such instructions as he may from time to time receive from His Majesty, or through a Secretary of State.

VI. Subject to the approval of a Secretary of State, the Governor may appoint a Chief Commissioner and so many fit persons as, in the interest of His Majesty's service, he may think