

PREFACE.

The present Revised Edition of the Laws of the Falkland Islands has been prepared under the authority of the Revised Edition of the Laws Ordinance, which appears at page xii, and is intended to replace the Revised Edition of Ordinance of the Colony that was published in 1915. It was begun by Mr. Winter, but owing to his transfer from the Falkland Islands, the task of completing it has devolved upon me.

Since 1st January, 1949, Ordinances enacted in the Falklands have, in accordance with clause 15 (3) of the Royal Instructions, 1948, formed two series, the Colony series and the Dependencies series.

No Dependencies Ordinances apply in the Colony, but many Colony Ordinances have been declared by Dependencies Ordinance to be in force in the Dependencies. Until 1st January, 1949, there was only a single series of Ordinances, which applied to the Colony, but did not apply to the Dependencies unless they contained a provision to that effect or had been declared to be in force there in a Notification by the Governor published under section 3 of the Dependencies Ordinance, 1908. The power of the Legislative Council of the Colony to make laws for the Dependencies ceased on 1st January, 1949, and section 3 was repealed with effect from the same date by the Dependencies (Amendment) Ordinance, 1950, without prejudice, however, to the continued application of Ordinances brought into force there already by notification; since then, the only method by which Colony Ordinances may be applied to the Dependencies is by Dependencies Ordinance (see sections 2 and 6 of the Application of Colony Laws Ordinance).

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Chapter 1
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In this Revised Edition Ordinances in the different series are set out in Volume I, and where Colony Ordinances have been applied to the Dependencies, this is stated in a footnote. All provisions in force on 31st December, 1950, governing the application of Colony laws to the Dependencies have been consolidated in the course of revision into a single Ordinance, the Application of Colony Laws Ordinance. A list of the Ordinances in force on 31st December, 1950, appears at

page li, and this shows whether they apply to the Colony and the Dependencies and their dates of commencement in each territory. Particulars of how the Colony Ordinances in force in the Dependencies were originally applied there can be found in the Chronological Table of Ordinances at page xix, and a list of the notifications made under section 3 of the Dependencies Ordinance, 1908, appears at page xlviii. Colony Ordinances were on a number of occasions applied to the Dependencies with retrospective effect, and in those instances their operation is qualified by section 5 of the Application of Colony Laws Ordinance.

For convenience of reference a selection of imperial legislation affecting the Falklands has been included in the Revised Edition, and this forms Part I of Volume II.

Part II of Volume II of the Revised Edition contains the subsidiary legislation in force in the Colony, that is to say, rules, regulations, orders, by-laws, etc., made pursuant to various Ordinances. For the application of this legislation to the Dependencies, see section 4 of the Application of Colony Laws Ordinance.

Chapter 33.

Provision for the interpretation of laws in force in the Falklands is made in the Interpretation and General Law Ordinance. For the interpretation of Colony Ordinances in their application to the Dependencies, see sections 3 and 6 (2) of the Application of Colony Laws Ordinance.

The Revised Edition contains the laws of the Colony of the Falkland Islands and of its Dependencies in force on 31st December, 1950, except those omitted under sections 4 and 5 of the Revised Edition of the Laws Ordinance, and takes into account all Ordinances enacted up to that date. In addition, account has been taken of the following Ordinances enacted in 1951, which have retrospective operation and affect the law in force on 31st December, 1950, namely:

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| 1 of 1951. | The Interpretation and General Law (Amendment) Ordinance, 1951. |
| 2 of 1951. | The Revised Edition of the Laws (Amendment) Ordinance, 1951. |
| 7 of 1951. | The Revised Edition of the Laws (Amendment) (No. 2) Ordinance, 1951. |
| 8 of 1951. | The Revised Edition of the Laws (Amendment) (No. 3) Ordinance, 1951. |
| 1 of 1951
(D.S.). | The Dependencies (Amendment) Ordinance, 1951. |

The Interpretation and General Law (Amendment) (Dependencies) Ordinance, 1951.	2 of 1951 (D.S.).
The Application of Ordinances of the Colony (Dependencies) Ordinance, 1951.	4 of 1951 (D.S.).
The Application of Colony Laws Ordinance, 1951.	6 of 1951 (D.S.).
The Dependencies (Amendment) (No. 2) Ordinance, 1951.	7 of 1951 (D.S.).
The Revised Edition of the Laws (Amendment) (Dependencies) Ordinance, 1951.	8 of 1951 (D.S.).

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