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If he is satisfied as to such ability he shall grant to the applicant a certificate of having passed the dictation test but otherwise he shall refuse such certificate.

8. A certificate of having passed the dictation test shall be in the following form.

[FORM B.]

Pearl, Pearl-Shell and Bêche-de-mer Ordinance, 1911-1918.(2)

Dictation Test Certificate.

I, the undersigned, _____, hereby certify that on the _____ day of _____, 192____, pursuant to an application No. _____ of 192____ [Name of Person] _____ was duly examined by me under and for the purposes of the abovementioned Ordinance and that the said _____ is able to read and write from dictation fifty words in the _____ language, such language being the language for the time being directed by the Treasurer.
Dated at _____ this _____ day of _____, 192____ Authorized Officer.

RECORD OF CERTIFICATE.

9. Every such certificate shall be in duplicate. The authorized officer shall cause the applicant to mark with his thumb-print in Indian or other indelible ink every certificate and duplicate thereof. One copy shall then be delivered to the successful applicant and the other copy shall be duly filed and recorded by the authorized officer.

EXEMPTION OF PERSONS FROM OPERATION OF SECTION 52A.

10. The following persons and classes of persons are exempted from the operation of Section 52A of the Ordinance:—

- (1) All native born residents of Australia or the Territory of Papua of European descent;
- (2) All residents of Australia or the Territory of Papua of European parentage;
- (3) All residents of Australia or the Territory of Papua who are descended from any resident of the Continent of North America other than from any aboriginal native thereof or negro or aboriginal of African or Asiatic race;
- (4) All persons who have fought in British or Allied armies in the war of 1914-1918;
- (5) Any person not otherwise entitled to exemption under the foregoing provisions of this Regulation whom, by reason of any circumstances satisfactory to the Treasurer, it is not considered necessary to examine under the Ordinance and these Regulations and to whom the Treasurer has granted a certificate of exemption.

APPLICATION FOR EXEMPTION.

11. Before such certificate of exemption mentioned in paragraph (5) of the last preceding Regulation is granted, the person concerned shall make application therefor to an authorized officer in the following form:—

(2) Now the *Pearl, Pearl-Shell and Bêche-de-mer Ordinance, 1911-1934.*

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14. Every such certificate shall be in duplicate and shall be transmitted by the Treasurer to the authorized officer who shall cause the applicant to mark with his thumb-print in Indian or other indelible ink every such certificate and duplicate thereof. The said authorized officer shall then deliver one copy to the successful applicant and shall duly file and record the other copy thereof.

15. Nothing in Section 52A of the Ordinance, or in these Regulations contained, shall operate to prevent the renewal from year to year of his Pearl-Buyer's Licence of any person, whether he shall have passed the dictation test or otherwise, if such licence was in force at the commencement of the *Pearl, Pearl-Shell and Bêche-de-mer Ordinance, 1915.*⁽³⁾

PENALTY.

16. Any person who:—

- (1) in any application under these Regulations makes any statement which is to his knowledge false;
- (2) alters or in any way tampers with any certificate granted under these Regulations;
- (3) being the holder of such certificate lends to any other person or permits any other person to use the same;
- (4) being the holder of such certificate fails to produce the same upon demand to any authorized officer unless he satisfies the Court that there was a reasonable excuse for the non-production thereof;
- (5) uses any such certificate which has been granted to another person,

shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding One hundred pounds, and in default of payment to imprisonment with or without hard labour for any period not exceeding Six months.

(3) The *Pearl Pearl-Shell and Bêche-de-mer Ordinance, 1915,* commenced on 20.12.1915.