

PAPUA.



No. 10 of 1920.

# AN ORDINANCE

To Amend the "*Justices Ordinance, 1912.*"

J. H. P. MURRAY.

[L.S.]

11th November, 1920.

**B**E it enacted by the Lieutenant-Governor of the Territory of Papua with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council thereof as follows:—

**1.** (1) This Ordinance may be cited as the *Justices Ordinance, 1920.* Short title and citation.

(2) In this Ordinance the *Justices Ordinance, 1912*, is referred to as the Principal Ordinance.

(3) The Principal Ordinance as amended by this Ordinance may be cited as the *Justices Ordinance, 1912-1920.*

**2.** Sections one hundred and twenty-one and one hundred and twenty-two of the Principal Ordinance are repealed and the following sections substituted therefor:—

Where  
summary  
cases to be  
heard.

“121. Subject to the provisions of the next succeeding section complaints of simple offences or breaches of duty shall be heard and determined at a place appointed for holding courts of petty sessions within the district—

- (a) in which the offence or breach of duty was committed ; or
- (b) in which the defendant usually resides ; or
- (c) in which the defendant may be at the time the complaint is made.

Adjournment  
to different  
place.

“ 122. If at the hearing of the complaint at one of such places as aforesaid the defendant shall before any evidence is given in support of such complaint make it appear to the justices either by the admission of the complainant or by the oath of a credible witness that the hearing would more conveniently take place at another of such places aforesaid the justices may adjourn the matter to such other place and may commit the defendant in the meantime or discharge him upon recognizance conditioned for his appearance at the time and place to which the hearing is so adjourned. And the defendant and every witness summoned to give evidence shall be bound to attend at such time and place accordingly.”

Passed in Council this eleventh day of November, in the year of Our Lord One thousand nine hundred and twenty.