

Covernment Notices.

No. 340.—2 9th August, 1893.

THE GOVERNOR in Privy Council, has approved of the following Rules, namely:—Rules respecting applications for Special Licenses to maintain Private Telephone Wires which existed before the passing of the Telephone Law, 1893, under Section 18; and Rules in relation to applications for Licenses, &c., under Section 8 of the Law.

By command,

J. Allwood, Acting Colonial Secretary.

Rules in relation to applications for Special Licenses to have and maintain private Telephone Lines, which existed before the passing of the above Law, under Section 18.

1. Every application must be addressed to the Clerk of the Privy Council, and delivered to him at his Office at Head Quarter House in the City of

Kingston.

2. Every application must be accompanied by a Map showing the Public Roads, and open spaces, distinguishing Main from Parochial roads in, along, over, under or across which the Telephone Poles and Wires have been erected: and must state under what authority they were so erected. On the application being granted, such Map shall be signed by the Clerk of the Privy Council.

3. Every application must be accompanied by a certificate from each of the several Road Authorities concerned, that the Telephone Poles and Wires

are in good order and condition to their complete satisfaction.

Approved in Privy Council this 5th day of August, 1893.

Fred. Shedden Sanguinetti, Acting Clerk of the Privy Council.

THE TELEPHONE LAW, 1893.

Rules in relation to applications for Licenses, &c., under Section 8.

1. Every application for a License must be addressed to the Clerk of the Privy Council, and delivered to him at his Office at Head Quarter House

in the City of Kingston.

2. Every such application must define distinctly the area of supply, and the boundaries thereof, and must be accompanied by a Map, on a scale not smaller than one mile to an inch, whereon the boundaries of the area and the Public Roads, distinguishing Main from Parochial Roads, shall be distinctly indicated. On the application being granted, such Map shall be signed by the Clerk of the Privy Council.

3. Every such application must be accompanied by documentary proof of the consent of every Road Authority having jurisdiction within the area of supply or any part thereof, and the conditions, if any, under which such consent has been

given.

4. Every such application must bear the signature of the applicant, if a person or a firm, or the corporate seal if the applicant be a corporation, and such signature or such seal must be properly witnessed and authenticated.

5. Every applicant must have an office in Jamaica, which must be stated in the application. Due notice of a change of such office must he given to the Clerk of the Council before such change be made.

6. Except as hereinafter provided, every applicant must deposit with the Treasurer, either in eash or in approved securities of equal value, a sum equal to Fifty Pounds for every square mile, or part of a square mile, contained in the area to be supplied. Such deposit will be returned to the applicant forthwith in case the License be granted, such deposit will be returned to the undertakers, if, and so soon as they shall,

within the period named in the License, show to the satisfaction of the Governor in Privy Council that they are in a position fully and efficiently to discharge the duties and obligations im-

posed upon them by the License.

Provided always, that if any applicant shall at the time of making application for a License, by works already in existence or progression, be able to show to the satisfaction of the Governor in Privy Council that he is in a position fully and efficiently to discharge the duties and obligations imposed by such License, then, and in such case the said deposit

shall not be required.

7. In the event of failure by the applicant, within the period named in the License to show that he is in a position fully and efficiently to discharge the duties and obligations imposed by the said License, the aforesaid deposit may be forfeited by the Governor in Privy Council in whole or in part, and the sum so forfeited shall be applied in making compensation, so far as may be, for any loss or damage sustained by reason of such failure, in such manner as shall be prescribed by the Governor in Privy Council, and the balance, if any, shall be paid to the General Revenue of the Island.

8. The Treasurer shall give to the applicant a receipt for the said deposit, and from the date of such receipt until the return or the forfeiture of such deposit, the Treasurer shall pay half-yearly to the applicant interest on the amount thereof, after deducting therefrom any part which may have been forfeited, at the rate of four per cent. per annum, if the deposit be made in money, or at such rate as shall have been received by him, if the deposit be made in securities.

9. Every applicant shall, on delivering his application for a License to the Clerk of the Privy Council, publish a notice in at least two Newspapers published in Kingston, of his application and the nature thereof, inviting all persons objecting thereto, to forward particulars of their objections to the Clerk of the Privy Council within fourteen days after such delivery. The Clerk of the Privy Council shall cause a copy of such notice to be published in the next number of the Jamaica Gazette.

10. After the expiry of the fourteen days' notice above-mentioned, the Governor shall direct an enquiry to be made by a person to be named by him, into any objections against such application, and the replies of the applicant thereto. The report of such enquiry shall then be submitted to the Governor in Privy Council, together with the application.

11. If the Governor in Privy Council shall decide that a License may be granted, a draft thereof shall be forwarded to the applicant for approval in writing, and no License shall be granted unless and until it shall have been so approved by the applicant.

Approved in Privy Council this 5th day of

August, 1893.

Fred. Shedden Sanguinetti, Acting Clerk of the Privy Council.