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An Ordinance to adopt and apply certain Statutes of the Imperial Parliament relating to real and personal property, and to make other provisions for amending the law of real and personal property.

[1ST JANUARY, 1933.]

1. This Ordinance may be cited as the Imperial Statutes (Law of Property) Adoption Ordinance.

2. Subject to the provisions of section 7 of the Interpretation Ordinance, and of sections 3 to 9 of this Ordinance, the Statutes of the Imperial Parliament set forth in the first column of the Schedule are hereby expressly declared to apply to this Colony to the extent specified in the second column of the Schedule.

3. So much of English Law as prohibits or restricts the alienation or devise of land for charitable purposes, or the bequest of personality to be laid out in the purchase of land for charitable purposes, shall have no force or effect in the Colony.
Married women.

4. So much of English Law as specially restricts the acquisition holding or disposition of real or personal property by a married woman as such, whether on her own behalf or as executrix, administratrix or trustee, or limits her capacity to sue or be sued in her own name, shall have no force or effect in the Colony.

Dower and curtesy.

5. So much of English Law as confers estates in dower or by the curtesy shall have no force or effect in the Colony.

Abolition of husband's liability for wife's torts and antenuptial contracts, debts and obligations.

6. The husband of a married woman shall not, by reason only of his being her husband, be liable—

(a) in respect of any tort committed by her whether before or after the marriage or in respect of any contract entered into, or debt or obligation incurred by her before the marriage; or

(b) to be sued, or made a party to any legal proceeding brought, in respect of any such tort, contract, or obligation:

Provided that nothing in this section shall affect any legal proceeding in respect of any tort if proceedings had been instituted in respect thereof before the date on which this section comes into operation.

Omission of references to copyhold land, customary land, Land Commissioners, etc.

7. Such provisions of the Statutes hereby adopted as refer to "copyhold land," "customary land," "Land Commissioners," "mines" or "minerals" shall be read and construed as though such references had been omitted therefrom.

Conveyance without words of limitation passes fee.

8. (1) A conveyance of freehold land to any person without words of limitation, or any equivalent expression, shall pass to the grantee the fee simple or other the whole interest which the grantor has power to convey in such land, unless a contrary intention appears in the conveyance.

(2) A conveyance of freehold land to a corporation sole by his corporate designation, without the word "successors," shall pass to the corporation the fee simple or other the whole interest which the grantor had power to convey in such land, unless a contrary intention appears in the conveyance.

(3) The foregoing provisions of this section apply only to conveyances and deeds executed after the commencement of this Ordinance.

Conveyances to corporations sole.

Application of section.

9. The Statutes hereby adopted shall not apply to anything done or suffered before the commencement of this Ordinance, except in such cases as the said Statutes were expressly applied
to anything done or suffered in England before the dates on which they respectively came into operation.

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