

*Notice cancelling that fixing Closing-hours of Retail Bicycle Dealers' and Repairers' Shops in the City of Auckland under the Shops and Offices Act.*

WHEREAS a requisition in writing, signed by a majority of the occupiers of all the retail bicycle dealers' and repairers' shops in the City of Auckland, has been forwarded to me, desiring that the varied notice gazetted on the 11th day of January, 1912, fixing the closing-hours of all the retail bicycle dealers' and repairers' shops in the City of Auckland shall be cancelled: And whereas the Auckland City Council has certified that the signatures to such requisition represent a majority of the occupiers of all the retail bicycle dealers' and repairers' shops within the City of Auckland:

Now, therefore, I, William Ferguson Massey, Minister of Labour, in pursuance of section 25 of the Shops and Offices Act, 1908, do hereby direct that from and after the 18th day of August, 1913, the said notice shall be cancelled accordingly.

Dated at Wellington this 13th day of August, 1913.

W. F. MASSEY,  
Minister of Labour.

*Revocation of Private Hospital License.*

Department of Public Health, Hospitals,  
and Charitable Aid,  
Wellington, 31st July, 1913.

IT is hereby notified that the private hospital license held by Mrs. Sarah Jane Hanwell in respect of the premises situate in May's Road, Papanui, Christchurch, is revoked as from the 31st day of July, 1913.

R. HEATON RHODES,  
Minister in Charge of Hospitals.

*Applications invited for the Position of District Valuer, Canterbury District.*

Office of Public Service Commissioner,  
Wellington, 12th August, 1913.

1. APPLICATIONS will be received up till noon on the 28th August, 1913, for the position of District Valuer, Canterbury District.

2. Applications must be addressed to the Secretary to the Public Service Commissioner, Wellington, and marked "Application for Position of District Valuer, Canterbury District."

3. Applications must embrace a statement of education and experience, particulars of age, &c.

4. Applicants must—

(a.) Have had practical experience in farming pursuits.

(b.) Have a reputed knowledge of local values and values of improvements effected on land.

(c.) Be between the ages of thirty and fifty.

5. Salary, £275, rising to £315 by two annual increments of £15 and one of £10. General Division.

Appointment to be subject to the Public Service Act, 1912.

A. J. H. BENGE,  
Secretary.

*Applications invited for Temporary Appointment as Expert to inspect Deer-herds.*

Office of the Public Service Commissioner,  
Wellington, 13th August, 1913.

APPLICATIONS, in writing, will be received by the Secretary to the Public Service Commissioner up to noon on the 25th August, from persons resident in New Zealand, for temporary appointment as expert to inspect and report upon the condition of the red-deer herds in the Otago and Waitaki-Waimate (Waitaki Branch) Acclimatization Districts.

Applicants must possess expert knowledge respecting the means of checking deterioration of heads in deer herds.

The appointment will be for three months from the 1st September proximo, with a possible extension of time for other inspections.

The salary payable will be at the rate of £3 10s. per week; and travelling-allowance at the rate of 10s. per diem, together with locomotion expenses.

A. J. H. BENGE,  
Secretary.

*Smallpox.—Notice regulating Movements of Maoris.*

Department of Public Health, Hospitals, and  
Charitable Aid, Wellington.

WHEREAS certain places situated in the Auckland Health District are, or are supposed to be, infected with a dangerous infectious disease, to wit, smallpox: And whereas the said disease is specially prevalent amongst the Maoris and half-caste Maoris residing in the said district:

Now, therefore, I, Thomas Harcourt Ambrose Valintine, Chief Health Officer under the Public Health Act, 1908, in pursuance of the powers conferred upon me by section 18 of the said Act, and acting under the authority of His Excellency the Governor of New Zealand, do hereby until further notice forbid Maoris or half-caste Maoris to be brought by means of the New Zealand Government railways from any place situated within the Auckland Health District to any other place situated within that district, or from any place situated in the said Auckland Health District to any other place in New Zealand, unless such Maori or half-caste Maori produces a certificate under the hand of an officer of the Public Health Department authorizing him or her to travel upon the said railways.

Dated this 12th day of August, 1913.

T. H. A. VALINTINE,  
Chief Health Officer.

*Branch of Friendly Society registered.*

Friendly Societies Registry Office,  
Wellington, 5th August, 1913.

THE Rohe Potae Tent, No. 20, situated at Te Kuiti, is registered as a branch of the New Zealand District No. 84 of the Independent Order of Rechabites Friendly Society, Salford Unity, under the Friendly Societies Act, 1909, this 5th day of August, 1913.

ROBT. E. HAYES,  
Registrar of Friendly Societies.

*Notice to Mariners No. 87 of 1913.*

HOKIANGA RIVER ENTRANCE.

Marine Department,  
Wellington, N.Z., 9th August, 1913.

REFERRING to Notice to Mariners No. 55 of 1913, Captain Bollons, of the New Zealand Government steamer "Hinemoa," reports that he made a careful search for the reported shoal off the entrance to Hokianga River.

Steamed over the given position, zigzagged north and south of it, and up and down the coast without getting any indication of shoal water.

The anchor was hanging 8 fathoms below the water all the time, and constant casts of the lead were taken. The water gradually shoaled from 35 to 18 fathoms sandy bottom. There was a heavy westerly swell running, and it was breaking on the bar in 4 and 4½ fathoms, but seaward of the bar there was not the slightest sign or indication of increase in the regular line of the swell.

Charts, &c., affected: Admiralty Charts Nos. 1091A and 2525; "New Zealand Pilot," eighth edition, 1908, Chapter vii, page 201.

GEORGE ALLPORT,  
Secretary.

*Notice to Mariners No. 88 of 1913.*

Marine Department,  
Wellington, N.Z., 12th August, 1913.

THE following Notices to Mariners, received from the Hydrographic Office, London, Board of Trade, London, and from the Hydrographic Office, Washington, United States, America, are published for general information.

GEORGE ALLPORT,  
Secretary.

FRENCH INDO-CHINA.—TONG KING GULF.

LAN HA BAY APPROACH.—EXISTENCE OF ROCKS.—(1.)  
Position: At a distance of 13½ cables, 158° (S. 23° E. mag.), from Quille Islet. Lat. 20° 40' 18" N., long. 107° 2' 21" E., on Chart No. 1169. Depth: 4½ fathoms. Remarks: This rock has been named "Banc du Passage." Note.—To pass southward of Banc du Passage, Norway Islands Lighthouse should be kept well open to the southward of Ta-lao-pai