## Permit to import Opium.

## Department of Trade and Customs,

Wellington, 1st November, 1913 T is hereby notified for public information that a permit to import opium in forms which though not suitable for smoking may be made suitable has been granted to the following person, subject to the provisions of the Opium Act, 1908, the Opium Amendment Act, 1910, and the regulations made thereunder :-

Name District New Plymouth. Sykes, A. E. . .

# F. M. B. FISHER, Minister of Customs

Ratification by the President of Portugal of the International Maritime Conventions relating to Collisions and Salvage.

Marine Department, Wellington, 29th October, 1913.

A NOTIFICATION has been received from the Secretary of State for the Colonies that the Belgian Government have notified the deposit, on the 25th July last, of the ratifi-cations by the President of Portugal of the International Maritime Conventions relating to Collisions and Salvage signed at Brussels on the 23rd September, 1910.

F. M. B. FISHER.

Defining River and Extended-river Limits.

Marine Department, Wellington, 30th October, 1913. In pursuance and exercise of the power and authority conferred upon me by section 189 of the Shipping and Seamen Act, 1908, I, Francis Marion Bates Fisher, Minister of Marine, do hereby define the limits for the ports set forth in the first column of the Schedule hereto, within which restricted-limits steamships and ships propelled by gas, oil, fluid, electricity, or any mechanical power other than steam, and to which restricted-limit certificates are issued, may ply, to be those set forth in the second and third columns of the said Schedule respectively, and I do divide such limits as therein set forth. divide such limits as therein set forth.

F. M. B. FISHER, Minister of Marine.

### SCHEDULE

Name of Port.	River and Smooth Water Limits.	Extended and Partially Smooth Limits.		
Hick's Bay	Within three miles from low - water mark in the centre of the bay			
Tokomaru Bay	Inside a right line drawn from Kotu- nui Point, north, and Mawhai Point, south	Not more than five miles from the shore at the centre of the bay.		
Akaroa		Between Akaroa Head on the north, including the Light- house Landing, and a point not more than one mile to the south of Iron Head.		

Notice of Intention to take Land in Block VI, Maungataniwha Survey District, for Road Purposes.

N OTICE is hereby given that it is proposed, under the provisions of the Public Works Act, 1908, to execute a certain public work—to wit, the construction of a road in Block VI, Maungataniwha Survey District, and for the purposes of such public work the land described in the Schedule hereto is required to be taken. And notice is hereby further given that the plan of the land so required to be taken is deposited in the post-office at Te Koroa, and is there open for inspection; and that all

persons affected by the execution of the said public work or by the taking of the said land should, if they have any well-grounded objections to the execution of the said public work or to the taking of such land, set forth the same in writing, and send such writing, within forty days from the first publication of this notice, to the Minister of Public Works, at Wellington.

## SCHEDULE

Approximate	Area of the Piece of	Land required to be taken.	Being Portion of	Situated in Block	Situated in Survey District of	Shown on Plan	Coloured on Plan			
<b>м.</b> О	к. 2	р. 9·9	N.W. 31, S.E. 28, Maungataniwha East Parish (15866, blue)	VI	Maunga- taniwha	P.W.D. 32256	Brown.			

In the Auckland Land District; as the same is more particularly delineated on the plan marked and coloured as above mentioned, and deposited in the office of the Minister of Public Works, at Wellington, in the Wellington Provincial District.

As witness my hand, at Wellington, this 4th day of November, 1913.

W. FRASER, Minister of Public Works.

Half-yearly Statement of Liabilities and Assets of the Bank of Australasia in New Zealand.

ALF-YEARLY return of the aggregate average amount of the weekly liabilities and assets of the Bank of Australasia within the Dominion of New Zealand from the 15th day of April. 1913, to the 13th day of October, 1913, inclusive. (Published pursuant to the Royal Charter of Incomparison) of Incorporation.)

£ s. d. 19,047 8 9 137,010 7 0 Bills in circulation not bearing interest ... Notes in circulation not bearing interest ... Bills and notes in circulation bearing interest • • Balances due to other banks Cash deposited not bearing interest .. 1,477,039 10 .. 644,149 9 9 Cash deposited bearing interest ... Total liabilities within the Dominion  $\pm 2,277,246$  16 3 £ s. d. 676,999 0 3 Coin and bullion Landed property (bank premises) Notes and bills of other banks ... Balances due from other banks ... 12,287 12 2 •• . . 27,907 15 11 Debts due to the corporation, including notes, bills, and other securities 3,022,706 3 9 Total assets within the Dominion £3,739,900 12 1

A. P. WEBSTER, Inspector. R. SWANSTON, Accountant.

Wellington, 21st October, 1913.

Result of Election of Trustees of a Drainage District.

Department of Internal Affairs,

Wellington, 31st October, 1913. THE following result of the election of trustees of the Eltham Drainage District has been received from the Returning Officer, and is published in accordance with the provisions of the Land Drainage Act, 1908.

> J. HISLOP. Under-Secretary.

Eltham Drainage District, Counties of Eltham and Stratford : John Howlett Bleakley.

John Bootten. Walter Charles Clement. Richard John Knuckev. John O'Neill.