Nov. 20.

Letters of Naturalization issued.

Department of Internal Affairs, Wellington, 19th November, 1913. IS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to issue Letters of Naturalization, under the Aliens Act, 1908, in favour of the undermentioned persons :-

H. D. BELL, Minister of Internal Affairs.

By-laws of the Otaki Town Board confirmed under the By laws Act, 1910.

Department of Internal Affairs,

Wellington, 14th November, 1913. THE following certificate has been executed on the sealed copy of by-laws made by the Otaki Town Board on the 18th September, 1913.

H. D. BELL, Minister of Internal Affairs

CERTIFICATE OF CONFIRMATION.

In pursuance of the By-laws Act, 1910, I hereby confirm the within-written by-laws, and declare that the same came into force on the 24th day of September, 1913. Dated this 14th day of November, 1913.

H. D. BELL, Minister of Internal Affairs

Christmas and New-Year Holidays.

Department of Internal Affairs, Wellington, 15th November, 1913. I T is hereby notified for general information that on Saturday, 25th December, Friday, 26th December, Saturday, 27th December, 1913, and Thursday, 1st January, Friday, 2nd January, and Saturday, 3rd January, 1914. the Government Offices throughout New Zealand will be closed. D. ROBERTSON,

Public Service Commissioner.

Authorizing the Laying off of Simpson Street, Armstrong Street, and Waiau Road, in the Town of Tahora, of a Width of not less than 66 ft.

Department of Lands and Survey, Wellington, 14th November, 1913. I N pursuance of the power and authority conferred upon me by section 15 of the Land Act, 1908, I hereby autho-rize the laying-off of Simpson Street, Armstrong Street, and Waiau Road, in the Town of Tahora, Taranaki Land District, of a width of not less than 66 ft, instead of 99 ft.

H. D. BELL For Minister of Lands

Authorizing the Laying-off of Tawa, Punga, Hinau, and Matai Streets, in the Town of Ohura (Mangaroa) Exten-sion No. 1, of a Width of not less than 66 ft.

Department of Lands and Survey, Wellington, 12th November, 1913.

IN pursuance of the power and authority conferred upon me by section 15 of the Land Act, 1908, I hereby autho-rize the laying off of Tawa, Punga, Hinau, and Matai Streets, in the Town of Ohura (Mangaroa) Extension No. 1, Taranaki Land District, of a width of not less than 66 ft. instead of 99 ft.

H. D. BELL, For Minister of Lands. Authorizing the Laying-off of Henderson Avenue and Liver-pool Road, in the Town of Tuakau Extension No. 3, of a Width of not less than 66 ft.

Department of Lands and Survey, Wellington, 14th November, 1913. IN pursuance of the power and authority conferred upon me by section 15 of the Land Act, 1908, I hereby autho-rize the laying-off of Henderson Avenue and Liverpool Road, in the Town of Tuakau Extension No. 3, Auckland Land District, of a width of not less than 66 ft. instead of 90 ft. of 99 ft.

H. D. BELL, For Minister of Lands.

Authorizing the Laying - off of Halifax and John Streets, Enderley Avenue, in the Town of Claudelands Extension No. 24, of a Width of not less than 66 ft.

Department of Lands and Survey, Weilington, 14th November, 1913. In pursuance of the power and authority conferred upon me by section 15 of the Land Act, 1908, I hereby autho-rize the laying off of Halifax and John Streets and Enderley Avenue, in the Town of Claudelands Extension No. 24, Auckland Land District, of a width of not less than 66 ft incread of 90 ft 66 ft. instead of 99 ft.

> H. D. BELL For Minister of Lands.

Subsidies to Public Libraries

Education Department, Wellington, 18th November, 1913. $N \stackrel{OTICE}{\rightarrow}$ is hereby given that the sum of £4,000 has been voted by Parliament for distribution to public libraries.

The distribution will take place on the 9th February, 1914, and no claim will be entitled to consideration that shall not have been sent in due form and received by the Secretary for Education, Wellington, on or before the 26th January, 1914.

1. A library to be entitled to a subsidy must be public in the sense of belonging to the public, and of not being under the control of an association, society, or club whose mem-bership is composed of a section of the community only, and if within a borough it must be open to the public free of charge. The receipts for the year from subscriptions and donations must not have been less than £2, exclusive of moneys received from endowments, or from Govern-ment, or from Borough or County Councils, or for special building nurnoses. or as rent. hire, or consideration for ment, or from Borough or County Councils, or for special building purposes, or as rent, hire, or consideration for the use of any room, or building, or land belonging to the institution, in respect of none of which will subsidy be allowed. The *net* proceeds of concerts, lectures, or other entertainments on behalf of the current expenses of the library will be regarded as voluntary contributions. A subsidy will not be given to more than one library in the error town same town.

2. In the division of the vote a nominal addition of £25 will be made to the amount of the income of each library derived from subscriptions, donations, and rates, and the vote will be divided according to the amounts thus augmented; but no library will receive credit for a larger income than £75—that is, in no case will the augmented amount on which distribution is based exceed £100.

3. The whole of the subsidy must be expended without delay in the purchase of books for the library.

4. It is particularly enjoined upon the authorities in charge of the public libraries concerned that a due proportion of the books purchased shall be books having a permanent jualue; that is on books of more than merely passing interest.

5. Application to share in the distribution must be by 5. Application to share in the distribution must be by means of a statutory declaration by the Chairman, or Secretary, or Treasurer of the institution on behalf of which it is made, and must be accompanied by a statement of the receipts and expenditure of the institution for the year ending on the 31st day of December, 1913; and such declaration must be on the form provided for the purpose, which form shall be as follows :--

DECLARATION

I, [Name], of [Place of abode], [Occupation], do solemnly and sincerely declare that I am Chairman [or Secretary, or Treasurer] of the [Name of institution]; that during the year ending on the 31st day of December, 1913, the receipts of the aforesaid institution for the maintenance of the library only were as follows : From rates levied by a local governing body under Part I of the Libraries and