Government Offices to be closed on Tuesday, 17th March, 1914 (St. Patrick's Day).

Office of Public Service Commissioner,
Wellington, 27th February, 1914.

A S provided under the Public Service Regulations, the
Government offices throughout New Zealand will be
closed on Tuesday, the 17th March, 1914, being St. Patrick's
Day.

D. ROBERTSON, Public Service Commissioner.

## Easter Holidays.

Office of the Public Service Commissioner,
Wellington, 27th February, 1914.

T is hereby notified for general information that on Friday,
10th April, Saturday, 11th April, and on Monday, 13th
April, 1914, the Government offices throughout New Zealand
will be closed.

D. ROBERTSON, Public Service Commissioner.

Conscience-money received.

The Treasury,
Wellington, 27th February, 1914.

THE Minister of Finance directs me to acknowledge the receipt of 7s. 6d. forwarded to the Collector of Customs, Dunedin, by some person unknown, with the advice, "Customs, Dunedin, unintentionally defrauded of 7s. 6d., herewith englesed."

G. F. C. CAMPBELL, Secretary to the Treasury. Officiating Ministers for 1914.—Notice No. 7.

Registrar-General's Office,
Wellington, 3rd March, 1914.
PURSUANT to the provisions of an Act of the General
Assembly of New Zealand passed in the eighth year
of the reign of His late Majesty King Edward VII, and
intituled the Marriage Act, 1908, the following name of an
Officiating Minister within the meaning of the said Act is
published for general information:—

Presbyterian Church of New Zealand.
Mr. James Fordyce.

W. W. COOK, Deputy Registrar-General.

## Wenders for Cartage.

General Post Office,
Wellington, 27th February, 1914.

TENDERS, addressed to the Controller of Stores, Post
and Telegraph Department, Waterloo Quay, Wellington, will be received until 5 p.m. on Monday, 16th March,
1914, for cartage for the Post and Telegraph Department, at
Wellington.

Particulars of the conditions of tendering and of the cartage required may be obtained from the Controller of Stores.

The lowest or any tender will not necessarily be accepted.

By order,

W. R. MORRIS, Secretary.

Minister's Decisions under Customs Duties Act.

Department of Trade and Customs, Wellington, 4th March, 1914.

The hereby notified for public information that the Hon. the Minister of Customs has decided to interpret the Customs Duties Act in relation to the undermentioned articles as follows:—

Note.—"Not otherwise enumerated" appears as n.o.e.; "other kinds" as o.k.; "articles and materials suited only for and to be used solely in, the fabrication of goods in the Dominion" as a. & m.s. Articles marked thus † are revised decisions.

Kecord.	Goods.	Classification under Tariff, and Item No.	Rate of Duty,	
			General Tariff.	Preferential Surtax on Foreign Goods
13/21	A. & m.s., viz.:—  Clock and watch escapements, and parts of unfinished clocks and watches, not built up, provided they have not been	As a. & m.s. (482)	Free.	
9/5/3	taken to pieces to evade the duty* "Kromol" oil—a tanners' preparation	As a. & m.s. (482)	Free.	i
3/67	Sole-grips, "Goffix" patent, for golfers'	As a. & m.s. (482)	Free.	
0/01	hoots	As a. a. m.s. (102)	1100.	
	Dental appliances, viz.:—			
12/11	Stands, Spurge's, for holding cylinders of nitrous oxide gas	As dental appliances (279)	Free.	
8/13	Felted textiles, for laundry machinery	As textile piece-goods n.o.e. (85)	20 per cent.	
14/4	Lamps, viz.: "Ceag" miners' electric safety lamps		Free.	
	Cells for same, if imported detached	As electric cells (176)	20 per cent.	10 per cent.
	Machinery, n.o.e., viz.:—			
2/49/2	Syruping machine, viz., the "Etta" and similar syruping machines	As machinery n.o.e (182)	20 per cent.	10 per cent.
	Scientific apparatus, viz.:		**	
16/8	Spirometers, wet, for testing breathing- capacity	As scientific apparatus (280)	Free.	•
6/20	Straws, drinking, of paraffined paper Surgical appliances, viz.:—	As n.o.e. (483)	Free.	
4/30	Radium	As surgical appliances (279)	Free.	
3/61/2	Tacker or tack-hammer, "Rose" patent, and staples for same (This appliance is similar to a hand paper- stapling machine.)	As manufactured articles of metal n.o.e. (183)	20 per cent.	10 per cent.

<sup>\*</sup> This decision cancels the decisions on "Clock-movements, &c.," and "Watch-movements, &c.," on pages 43 and 49 respectively of Decision-book.