

*Parnassus Riding.*

The Parnassus Riding of the County of Cheviot is bounded on the north and east by the river boundaries of all sections abutting on the Leader River, on the south by the Waiau River, and on the west by that portion of the boundary-line between Amuri and Cheviot Counties lying between the rivers Waiau and Leader.

I hereby certify that the above special order of the Cheviot County Council was duly made on the 13th day of June, 1914, at a special meeting of the Council, and confirmed at a subsequent meeting of the Council held on the 11th day of July, 1914.

W. M. COTTRELL,  
Clerk, Cheviot County Council.

*Arrangements for First Election, &c., Tuakau Town District, County of Franklin.*

Department of Internal Affairs,  
Wellington, 25th July, 1914.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint

CHARLES ALBERT HENRY TAPPER, of Tuakau,

to be Returning Officer for the purpose of conducting the first election of seven members of the Board of Commissioners of the Tuakau Town District as constituted under the Town Boards Act, 1908; also to appoint Wednesday, the 16th day of September, 1914, to be the date, and the Tuakau Public Hall, Tuakau, to be the place, at which the said first election shall be held; also to appoint Wednesday, the 23rd day of September, 1914, at 2.30 o'clock in the afternoon, to be the time, and the said Tuakau Public Hall, Tuakau, to be the place, at which the first meeting of the Board of Commissioners so elected shall be held.

H. D. BELL,  
Minister of Internal Affairs.

*Date of Election to fill Extraordinary Vacancy in Auckland Fire Board by Fire-insurance Companies.*

Department of Internal Affairs,  
Wellington, 28th July, 1914.

PURSUANT to the Fire Brigades Act, 1908, and the rules made thereunder, I, Francis Henry Dillon Bell, Minister of Internal Affairs, being the Minister charged with the administration of the said Act, do hereby appoint Tuesday, the 4th day of August, 1914, to be the day for holding an election of one member of the Auckland Fire Board by the insurance companies concerned, such election being held to fill the extraordinary vacancy caused by the death of Mr. Horace Walker.

H. D. BELL,  
Minister of Internal Affairs.

*Plant declared to be a Noxious Weed by the Piako County Council.—Notice No. 1754.*

Department of Agriculture, Industries, and Commerce,  
Wellington, 23rd July, 1914.

IT is hereby notified for public information that the Piako County Council has by special order declared gorse to be a noxious weed within the meaning of the Noxious Weeds Act, 1908, in the district under its jurisdiction.

W. F. MASSEY,  
Minister of Agriculture and of Industries  
and Commerce.

*Notice fixing Closing-hours of all Shops in the Town District of Kawhia under the Shops and Offices Act.*

WHEREAS a requisition in writing, signed by a majority of the occupiers of all the shops in the Town District of Kawhia, has been forwarded to me, desiring that all shops within the town district shall be closed in the evening of working-days as follows: Monday, 6 p.m.; Tuesday, 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 6 p.m.; Thursday, 1 p.m.; Friday, 6 p.m.; Saturday, 10 p.m.:

And whereas the Kawhia Town Board has certified that the signatures to such requisition represent a majority of the occupiers of all the shops within the town district:

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 3rd day of August, 1914, all shops in the Town District of Kawhia shall be closed in accordance with such requisition.

Dated at Wellington this 28th day of July, 1914.

W. F. MASSEY,  
Minister of Labour.

*Authorizing the Laying-off of De Coek Street, in the Town of Te Awamutu West Extension No. 6, of a Width of not less than 66 ft.*

Department of Lands and Survey,  
Wellington, 9th July, 1914.

IN pursuance of the power and authority conferred upon me by section 15 of the Land Act, 1908, I hereby authorize the laying-off of De Coek Street, in the Town of Te Awamutu West Extension No. 6, Auckland 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 Gorton Street, in the Town of Frankton Extension No. 29, of a Width of not less than 66 ft.*

Department of Lands and Survey,  
Wellington, 9th July, 1914.

IN pursuance of the power and authority conferred upon me by section 15 of the Land Act, 1908, I hereby authorize the laying-off of Gorton Street, in the Town of Frankton Extension No. 29, Auckland 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 York, Eton, and Clarence Streets, and Somerset Avenue, in the Town of Surrey Park, of a Width of not less than 66 ft.*

Department of Lands and Survey,  
Wellington, 9th July, 1914.

IN pursuance of the power and authority conferred upon me by section 15 of the Land Act, 1908, I hereby authorize the laying-off of York, Eton, and Clarence Streets, and Somerset Avenue, in the Town of Surrey Park, Southland Land District, of a width of not less than 66 ft. instead of 99 ft.

H. D. BELL,  
For Minister of Lands.

*Result of Poll for Proposed Loan.*

The Treasury,  
Wellington, 24th July, 1914.

THE following notice, received from the Chairman of the Council of the County of Whakatane, is published in accordance with the provisions of the Local Bodies' Loans Act, 1913.

J. ALLEN,  
Minister of Finance.

## WHAKATANE COUNTY COUNCIL.

*Loan of £550 over the Whole County.—Result of Poll.*

PURSUANT to section 12 of the Local Bodies' Loans Act, 1913, I hereby give notice that at a poll of the ratepayers of the County of Whakatane taken on the 14th day of July, 1914, on the proposal of the Whakatane County Council to borrow the sum of £550 for the purpose of metalling and improving a portion of the Whakatane—Te Teko Road, the number of votes recorded for the proposal was 196, the number of votes recorded against the proposal was 79, and the number of votes recorded as informal was 1.

I therefore declare that the proposal was carried.

Dated this 18th day of July, 1914.

W. REID,  
County Chairman.  
H. O. GARAWAY,  
Returning Officer.