Christmas and New Year Holidays.

Office of Public Service Commissioner. Wellington, 3rd November, 1915.

T is hereby notified for general information that on Saturday, 25th December, Monday, 27th December, Tuesday, 28th December, 1915, and Saturday, 1st January and Monday, 3rd January, 1916, the Government Offices throughout New Zealand will be closed.

> D. ROBERTSON, Public Service Commissioner.

Applications invited for the Position of Workshops Foreman, Public Works Department, Wellington.

Office of Public Service Commissioner, Wellington, 4th November, 1915.

PPLICATIONS will be received by the undersigned up
till noon on the 15th November, 1915, for the position of Workshops Foreman, Public Works Department, Wellington.

- 2. Applications (to be made on P.S.C. Form 17A, obtainable at principal post-offices) must be addressed to the Secretary to the Public Service Commissioner, Wellington, and must embrace a statement of education and experience, particulars of age, &c.
- 3. Applicants must be first-class carpenters and joiners, and must have a good knowledge of cabinetmaking, office taking out quantities of materials, and preparing details and estimates (both materials and labour); and must be familiar with and capable of taking charge of all classes of work connected with alterations and additions to fittings and tambibles. furnishing.

4. Preference will be given to applicants who have had charge of up-to-date workshops, and who have had control

The appointment will be subject to the provisions of the Public Service Act, 1912.

The position will be graded in the General Division. Salary, £220; maximum, £250.

P. VERSCHAFFELT,

Secretary.

Applications invited for the Position of Clerk, Mercantile Marine Office, Marine Department, Wellington.

Office of Public Service Commissioner, Wellington, 20th October, 1915.

A PPLICATIONS will be received by the undersigned up till noon on the 15th November, 1915, for the position of Clerk, Mercantile Marine Office, Marine Department, Wellington.

2. Applications (to be made on P.S.C. Form 17A, obtainable at principal post-offices) must be addressed to the Secretary to the Public Service Commissioner, Wellington, and must embrace a statement of education and experience,

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3. Applicants should be between the ages of twenty-five and forty-five years, and must have had experience in the engagement and discharge of seamen on ships.

4. Applicants should hold a certificate not lower than that

of first mate of a foreign-going ship.

The appointment will be subject to the provisions of the Public Service Act, 1912.

The position will be graded in the Clerical Division, Class VII. Salary, £200; maximum, £220.

P. VERSCHAFFELT, Secretary.

Minister's Decisions under Customs Duties Act.

Customs Department, Wellington, 3rd November, 1915. 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.

Record.	Goods.	Classification under Tariff, and Item No.	Rate of Duty.	
			General Tariff.	Preferential Surtax on Foreign Goods
	A. & m.s., viz.:—			
9/41	Sole-softener (the American Leather Process Company's)	As a. & m.s. (482)	Free.	
9/19/4	Blacking, "New Method" or "N.M." (the Boston Blacking Company's) Engineers' and metal-workers' machine and hand tools, viz.:—	As boot polish (236)	20 per cent	10 per cent.
2/135	Graining machine, for cleaning and graining the surfaces of zinc plates used in photo-lithography	As metal-workers' machine tools (379)	Free.	
+ 3/65	"Mendets," for repairing cooking-utensils, &c.	The parts (comprising bolts, nuts, and washers) to be classed under their respective headings (365 or 414)	Free.	
	Minor articles, viz.:—	,		
20/10/8	Uniform-furnishings—namely, brass belt- hooks and leather lanyards specially suited for completing military uniforms made in New Zealand	As minor articles, &c. (292)	Free.	•

W. B. MONTGOMERY,

Comptroller of Customs.