the County of Ohinemuri, under the above-mentioned Acts, for its share of the cost of construction of the Orchard (Ngatea) Bridge, the said Chairman, Councillors, and Inhabitants of the County of Ohinemuri hereby make and levy a special rate of one penny in the pound (ld. in £1) upon the rateable value of all the rateable property of the Orchard (Ngatea) Special-rating Area, the boundaries of which special-rating district are as follows: Commencing at a point in the Pouarua where it intersects the northern boundary-line dividing the Ohinemuri and Thames Counties, thence along the said boundary-line in an easterly direction to a point in the Kerepeehi main road which is intersected by the said boundary-line, thence southerly along the western side of the said road to where it junctions with the Kerepeehi-Turua Road until it meets the Piako River, thence following the left bank of the said Piako River in a southerly direction to a point in the said river approximately thirty-two chains south of the head of the Waikaka Canal, thence towards the northwest by a straight line to the Pouarua Road aforesaid, thence along the said road to the point of commencement. And that such special rate shall be an annual-recurring rate during the currency of such loan, and be payable yearly on the first day of April in each and every year during the currency of such loan, being a period of thirty-six and a half (36½) years, or until the loan is fully paid off, and that the cost of raising the loan shall be paid out of the loan, also the first year's instalment of interest.

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R. W. EVANS, County Clerk.

In the matter of the estate of Ernest Cosgrove McCaskey, late of Devonport, near Auckland, in New Zealand, Clerk, deceased.

Clerk, deceased.

NOTICE is hereby given that all creditors and other persons having any claim or demand against the estate of the above-named ERNEST COSGROVE MCCASKEY, deceased, who died on the 29th day of February, 1916, and whose will was duly proved in this honourable Court on the 10th day of April, 1916, by Daniel McGowan, of Auckland, Company Manager, and William George Johnson, of Auckland, Merchant, the Executors therein named, are hereby required to send particulars in writing of all claims and demands to us, the undersigned, the Solicitors for the said Executors, on or before the 1st day of December, 1916, after which date the said Executors will proceed to distribute the assets of the said deceased among the persons entitled thereto, having regard only to claims and demands of which they shall then have had notice; and the said Executors will not be liable for the assets of the said deceased, or any part thereof, so distributed to any person or persons of whose claim they shall not have had notice at the time of such distribution.

Dated this 31st day of October, 1916.

ENDEAN & HOLLOWAY, Solicitors for the Executors, Endean's Buildings, Queen Street, Auckland.

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DISSOLUTION OF PARTNERSHIP.

OTICE is hereby given that the Partnership hitherto existing between the undersigned, Alexander James Gibson and Charles Gibson, carrying on business at Te Arai as Farmers, under the style or firm of "Gibson Brothers," has been dissolved by mutual consent as from the first day of November, 1916.

The said Charles Gibson will continue to carry on the

The said Charles Gibson will continue to carry on the said business, and will pay and discharge all debts and liabilities of the said firm, and receive all moneys due and payable to them.

Dated this 4th day of November, 1916.

A. J. GIBSON. CHAS. GIBSON.

Witness to the signatures of Alexander James Gibson and Charles Gibson—Wm. S. McCredie, Clerk to Messrs. Kirk, Burnard, and Sievwright, Solicitors, Gisborne.

BLENHEIM BOROUGH COUNCIL.

RESOLUTION MAKING SPECIAL RATE.

IN pursuance and exercise of the powers vested in it in that behalf by the Local Bodies' Loans Act, 1913, the Blenheim Borough Council hereby resolves as follows:—

That, for the purpose of providing the interest, sinking fund, and other charges on a loan of one thousand pounds, authorized to be raised by the Blenheim Borough Council, under the above-mentioned Act, for the purpose of providing

further payment towards the Council's share of the cost of constructing a bridge over the Opawa River at the northern end of Grove Road, Blenheim, the said Blenheim Borough Council hereby makes and levies a special rate of five ninety-sixths of a penny in the pound upon the unimproved rateable value of all rateable property in the Borough of Blenheim; and that such special rate shall be an annual-recurring rate during the currency of such loan, and be payable half-yearly on the 20th days of October and April in each and every year during the currency of such loan, being a period of ten years, or until the loan is fully paid off.

or until the loan is fully paid off.

I certify that the above resolution was passed at a meeting of the Blenheim Borough Council held on the twenty-eighth

day of September, 1916.

D. P. SINCLAIR, Town Clerk.

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By the Education Act it is compulsory for deaf children to come under instruction at the age of six, and to continue until the age of twenty-one unless the Education Department previously grants exemption. Though a child is, as a rule, best fitted to begin the school course at the age of six, advice should be obtained as soon as any sign of deafness is observed.

The following classes of deaf children are admitted to the School for the Deaf (sound intellect being always a necessity):—

- Children born deaf, or who have lost their hearing before learning to speak.
- 2. Children who can hear a little, but are too deaf to be taught in a public school.
- Children who have lost their hearing after having learned to speak.

The Act imposes upon every parent, teacher of a school (either public or private), constable, or officer of a charitable or kindred institution who is aware of the place of residence (either temporary or permanent) of a deaf child, and the householder in whose house any such child resides, an obligation to send notification of the fact to the Minister of Education, giving the name, age, and address of the child: and any neglect or failure to comply with this provision involves liability to a fine.

Information and advice may be obtained from the Director, or from

THE SECRETARY FOR EDUCATION, WELLINGTON.