

The appointments of the undermentioned 2nd Lieutenants (on probation) are confirmed:—

John Campbell Collins.  
Victor Lionel Powell.

2nd Lieutenant Morrell Gordon McInnes, from the 4th (Otago) Regiment, to be 2nd Lieutenant. Dated 9th December, 1915.

The undermentioned to be 2nd Lieutenants. Dated 18th December, 1915:—

Sergeant David Augustus Stanley Walker.  
Sergeant Craig Wood Gillies.  
Sergeant Harold Torrens Hall.  
Sergeant Rewi Rawhiti Macintosh.  
Sergeant Oliver Alfred Burns Smith.

The undermentioned to be 2nd Lieutenants (on probation):—

Robert Alison. Dated 18th December, 1915.  
Charles Norton Boulton. Dated 23rd December, 1915.

Sergeant-major Thomas Richardson to be 2nd Lieutenant (temporarily), *vice* Lieutenant Winder, killed in action. Dated 24th November, 1915.

2nd Lieutenant Humphrey Goring Dyer, now a Cadet at the Royal Military College of Australia, resigns his commission. Dated 7th December, 1915.

The notice published in the *New Zealand Gazette* No. 128, dated 11th November, 1915, appointing 2nd Lieutenant Edmund Colin Nigel Robinson, Unattached List (b), Wellington District, to the 2nd Reinforcements, 1st and 2nd Battalions, New Zealand Rifle Brigade, should read "Lieutenant," instead of 2nd Lieutenant as therein stated.

*Memorandum.*

Quartermaster and Honorary Captain Ernest Valentine Sanderson having returned from the New Zealand Expeditionary Force, his name is reinstated on the Reserve of Officers. Dated 13th October, 1915.

J. ALLEN,  
Minister of Defence.

*Appointments and Promotions of Officers serving with the New Zealand Expeditionary Force (Samoa).*

Department of Defence,  
Wellington, 18th January, 1916.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to approve of the undermentioned appointments and promotions of officers serving with the New Zealand Expeditionary Force (Samoa):—

Lieutenant Henry Cumberland Cotton to be Captain. Dated 7th October, 1915.

The undermentioned to be 2nd Lieutenants:—  
Sergeant-major George Nelson Moffat. Dated 16th July, 1915.

Sergeant Andrew Melville Jamieson. Dated 16th September, 1915.

J. ALLEN,  
Minister of Defence.

*Appointment of Officers, H.M.N.Z. Hospital Ship "Maheno" (No. 2 Charter).*

Department of Defence,  
Wellington, 25th January, 1916.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to approve of the undermentioned appointments of officers for duty with the New Zealand Expeditionary Force with H.M.N.Z. Hospital Ship "Maheno" (No. 2 charter), with the ranks specified against their respective names. Dated 1st January, 1916:—

*New Zealand Medical Corps.*

Lieutenant-Colonel James Sands Elliott, M.D., Edin.  
Major Henry Ferdinand Bernau, M.R.C.S. Eng., L.R.C.P. Lond.

Major (temporary) Joseph McNaughton Christie, M.D. Glas., F.R.C.S. Edin.

Captain Harry Montefiore Wilson, B.S. Univ. Cambridge.  
Captain Alfred Clark, F.R.C.S. Edin.

Captain (temporary) William John Barclay, M.D., F.R.C.S., D.P.H., Glasgow.

Captain (temporary) Francis Arnot Bett, M.B., B.S., N.Z.  
Adjutant and Quartermaster: Captain Maurice Denniston, N.Z. Garrison Artillery.

*New Zealand Chaplains Department.*

The Venerable Archdeacon Frank George Evans, Chaplain to the Forces, 2nd Class.

The Reverend James Watson Shaw, Chaplain to the Forces, 4th Class.

The Reverend Thomas Kinkead, Chaplain to the Forces, 4th Class.

J. ALLEN,  
Minister of Defence.

*Approval of Fees for Licensing of Vehicles fixed by By-law.—Wairewa County Council.*

Department of Internal Affairs,  
Wellington, 21st January, 1916.

IT is hereby notified, in accordance with section 107 of the Counties Act, 1908, that so much of the by-law made by the Geraldine County Council and sealed on the 6th day to December, 1915, as appoints the several sums to be paid of the Geraldine County Fund for the licensing of vehicles has this day been approved by His Excellency the Governor.

G. W. RUSSELL,  
Minister of Internal Affairs.

*Endowment Reserves for Education sanctioned by Parliament*

Department of Internal Affairs,  
Wellington, 21st January, 1916.

THE following resolution passed by the Legislative Council is published in accordance with section 324 of the Land Act, 1908. (In continuation of notification published in the *New Zealand Gazette* of 23rd ultimo.)

G. W. RUSSELL,  
Minister of Internal Affairs.

EXTRACT FROM THE JOURNALS OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL,  
FRIDAY, 1ST OCTOBER, 1915.

*Report of the Lands Committee on Paper 175.*

THE Lands Committee, to which Paper 175 of this session stood referred under Standing Order No. 332 (f), and has taken the evidence of an officer of the Lands and Survey Department thereon; and that the Committee sees no objection to the proposal contained therein—namely, that Section 14, Block IV, Matiri Survey District, Nelson Land District, should be permanently reserved as an endowment for primary education.

Resolved, "That the report of the Lands Committee upon Paper 175, brought up this day, be agreed to."

A true extract.  
L. STOWE,  
Clerk of the Legislative Council.

*Notice fixing the Closing-hours of Butchers' Shops in the City of Auckland, under the Shops and Offices Act.*

WHEREAS a requisition in writing, signed by a majority of the occupiers of all the butchers' shops within the City of Auckland, has been forwarded to me, desiring that all such shops in the city shall be closed on the evening of working-days as follows: 5 o'clock p.m. on four days in the week, and 6 o'clock p.m. on one other day in the week:

And whereas the Auckland City Council has certified that the signatures to such requisition represent a majority of the occupiers of butchers' shops within the City of Auckland:

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 31st day of January, 1916, all butchers' shops (other than pork-butchers' shops) in the City of Auckland shall be closed at 5 o'clock p.m. on four days in the week, and 6 o'clock p.m. on one other day in the week, other than the day upon which the statutory half-holiday is observed.

Dated at Auckland this 25th day of January, 1916.

W. F. MASSEY,  
Minister of Labour.

*Notice fixing the Closing-hours of Butchers' Shops in the Borough of Mount Eden, under the Shops and Offices Act.*

WHEREAS a requisition in writing, signed by a majority of the occupiers of all the butchers' shops within the Borough of Mount Eden, has been forwarded to me, desiring that all such shops in the borough shall be closed on the evening of working-days as follows: 5 o'clock p.m. on four days in the week, and 6 o'clock p.m. on one other day in the week:

And whereas the Mount Eden Borough Council has certified that the signatures to such requisition represent a majority of the occupiers of butchers' shops within the Borough of Mount Eden:

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 31st day of January, 1916, all butchers' shops (other than pork-butchers' shops) in the Borough of Mount Eden shall be