

*Government Insurance Department.—Agency opened at Inangahua Junction.*

Government Insurance Department,  
Wellington, 2nd July, 1917.

**A**N agency of the above Department (Life and Accident Branches) will be opened at

THE POST-OFFICE, INANGAHUA JUNCTION,  
as from the 15th instant.

J. H. RICHARDSON,  
Commissioner.

*Conscience-money received.*

The Treasury,  
Wellington, 5th July, 1917.

**T**HE Minister of Finance directs me to acknowledge the receipt of one fifty, three twenty, and two single Bank of New Zealand notes, also postal note for 2s. 6d., making a total of £112 2s. 6d., forwarded from Auckland to the Commissioner of Taxes by some person unknown, as conscience-money to the New Zealand Government.

G. F. C. CAMPBELL,  
Secretary to the Treasury.

*Notice of Date of Examinations for the Public Service.—Public Service Examinations.*

Office of Public Service Commissioner,  
Wellington, 2nd July, 1917.

**N**OTICE is hereby given of the intention to hold Public Service examinations as follows, namely:—

The Public Service Entrance Examination: On or about the 21st November, 1917, and following days.

The Public Service Senior Examination: On or about the 5th January, 1918, and following days.

For the entrance examination a fee of £1 is payable, but this fee will be refunded if a candidate is successful in passing the examination and accepts employment in the Public Service.

This Senior Examination is held solely for the purpose of permitting those who hold a partial pass to complete the examination. Candidates who have not already obtained partial success will not be admitted. There will be no fee charged if candidates (a) are employed in Departments of the Public Service coming under the provisions of the Public Service Act, 1912; or (b) have passed the Public Service Entrance Examination of November, 1916, and have not declined appointment; or (c) have entered and sat for the Public Service Entrance Examination of November, 1917. In all other cases a fee of £1 will be required as an entrance fee for the examination.

Entries for the Public Service Entrance Examination and the Public Service Senior Examination must be addressed "The Director of Education, Wellington," and be sent so as to reach his office on or before the 8th September, 1917, and 15th October, 1917, respectively. Both male and female candidates will be admitted to the Entrance Examination.

Late applications, if accompanied in each case by a receipt for the late fee of £1 in addition to any fee ordinarily payable, will be received for the Entrance and Senior Examinations up to the 15th September and 31st October respectively.

All entries must be made on the proper forms, which may be obtained shortly from the office of the Public Service Commissioner, or of the Education Department, or of any Education Board.

D. ROBERTSON,  
Public Service Commissioner.

*Bank Statements.*

**S**TATEMENT of the average amount of Liabilities and Assets of the Bank of New Zealand, in New Zealand, during the Quarter ended 30th June, 1917.

LIABILITIES.		£	s.	d.
Notes in circulation	.. ..	2,830,940	18	8
Bills in circulation	.. ..	47,339	4	5
Balances due to other Banks	.. ..	31,907	19	11
Government deposits	.. ..	7,495,790	0	10
Other deposits—				
Not bearing interest	.. ..	11,242,680	16	2
Bearing interest	.. ..	6,963,462	7	10
<b>Total average liabilities</b>		<b>£28,612,121</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>10</b>

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**ASSETS.**

Coined gold and silver and other coined metals	.. ..	£ 3,431,501	s. 9	d. 7
Gold and silver in bullion or bars	.. ..	162,569	1	9
Legal tender notes of other Banks	.. ..	126,916	0	9
Notes and bills of other Banks	.. ..	97,329	1	9
Balances due from other Banks	.. ..	30,362	3	0
Landed property	.. ..	190,609	5	3
Amount of all other securities—				
1. Notes and bills discounted	.. ..	914,276	17	2
2. Government securities (New Zealand or otherwise)	.. ..	2,743,933	6	11
3. Other funded securities	.. ..	..	..	..
4. Debts due to the Bank (exclusive of debts abandoned as bad)	.. ..	12,456,871	19	4
5. Securities not included under the above heads	.. ..	569,103	15	0
<b>Total average assets</b>		<b>£20,724,073</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>6</b>

Amount of the capital stock paid up at the close of the quarter ended 30th June, 1917:—

4-per-cent. guaranteed stock, £529,988.  
"A" preference shares issued to the Crown under Bank of New Zealand Act, 1903, £500,000.  
"B" preference shares issued to the Crown under Bank of New Zealand Act, 1913, £250,000.  
Ordinary shares, £1,000,000.

Rate of the last dividend declared to the shareholders on—

"A" preference shares, 10 per cent. per annum.  
"B" preference shares and ordinary shares (dividend 12 per cent. per annum, and bonus 3 per cent. per annum), 15 per cent. per annum.

Amount of the last dividend declared on—

"A" preference shares, £50,000.  
"B" " " £37,500.  
Ordinary shares, £150,000.

(On the Guaranteed Stock £10,599, interest for six months, was paid on 1st May, 1917.)

Amount of the reserved profits at the time of declaring such dividend, £2,246,595.

Dated at Wellington this 5th day of July, 1917.

W. CALLENDER, General Manager.  
A. McLENNAN, Accountant.

[NOTE.—The above are the figures for New Zealand only.]

**S**TATEMENT of the average amount of Liabilities and Assets of the Bank of Australasia, in New Zealand, during the Quarter ended 30th June, 1917.

LIABILITIES.		£	s.	d.
Notes in circulation	.. ..	303,838	15	5
Bills in circulation	.. ..	13,668	2	9
Balances due to other Banks	.. ..	..	..	..
Government deposits	.. ..	..	..	..
Other deposits—				
Not bearing interest	.. ..	2,523,757	0	8
Bearing interest	.. ..	972,529	18	10
<b>Total average liabilities</b>		<b>£3,819,793</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>8</b>

**ASSETS.**

Coined gold and silver and other coined metals	.. ..	£ 977,123	s. 10	d. 0
Legal tender notes of other Banks	.. ..	66,983	1	7
Gold and silver in bullion or bars	.. ..	810	16	11
Notes and bills of other Banks	.. ..	32,604	4	0
Balances due from other Banks	.. ..	..	..	..
Landed property	.. ..	12,048	5	10
Amount of all other securities—				
1. Notes and bills discounted	.. ..	130,045	6	11
2. Colonial Government securities	.. ..	269,223	1	7
3. Other funded securities	.. ..	..	..	..
4. Debts due to the Bank (exclusive of debts abandoned as bad)	.. ..	2,748,111	1	9
5. Securities not included under the above heads	.. ..	10,241	7	5
<b>Total average assets</b>		<b>£4,247,190</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>0</b>

Amount of the capital stock paid up at this date, £2,000,000.

Rate of the last dividend declared to the shareholders, 14 per cent., and bonus 12s. per share, equal to 17 per cent. per annum.

Amount of the last dividend declared, £170,000.

Amount of the reserved profits at the time of declaring such dividend, £2,962,650.

Dated at Wellington this 4th day of July, 1917.

A. W. BUTT, Manager.  
R. SWANSTON, Accountant.