

*Officiating Ministers for 1917.—Notice No. 39.*

Registrar-General's Office,  
Wellington, 26th November, 1917.

PURSUANT to the provisions of the Marriage Act, 1908, the following names of Officiating Ministers within the meaning of the said Act are published for general information:—

*Roman Catholic Church.*

The Reverend JOHN BRADLEY.  
" JOHN BYRNE.  
" MAURICE HUNT.  
" DANIEL SILK.

*Baptists.*

The Reverend C. D. GARDINER.  
W. W. COOK,  
Registrar-General.

*Notice to Mariners.—No. 97 of 1917.*

NAPIER HARBOUR.—AUCKLAND ROCK BUOY LIGHT.

Marine Department,  
Wellington, N.Z., 28th November, 1917.

THE Napier Harbour Board have notified that a temporary *red unwatched* light will be exhibited from the Auckland Rock buoy from the 8th proximo. The light will show 0.8 second of light and 0.2 second of darkness, and should be visible for three miles.

*Charts, &c., affected.*—Admiralty Charts Nos. 2513 and 2528; "New Zealand Pilot," eighth edition, 1908, Chapter iv. page 133; "New Zealand Nautical Almanac," 1916, page 274, and plan facing page 272.

GEORGE ALLPORT,  
Secretary.

*Scale for General Division Officers of the Public Service.*

Office of Public Service Commissioner,  
Wellington, 22nd November, 1917.

THE Public Service Commissioner has made the following scale for General Division Officers of the Public Service specified below.

P. VERSCHAFFELT,  
Secretary.

MARINE AND INSPECTION OF MACHINERY DEPARTMENT.

| Position.                 | Yearly Minimum. | Maximum Rate of Pay. | Annual Increments. |
|---------------------------|-----------------|----------------------|--------------------|
| Lightkeepers .. ..        | £ 165*          | £ 205*               | £ 5                |
| Assistant Lightkeepers .. | 125*            | 155*                 | 5                  |
| Probationary Lightkeepers | ..              | 115*                 | ..                 |

\* Less deduction of £15 per annum for rent of house.

CROWN LANDS NOTICES.

*Lands in the Auckland Land District forfeited.*

Department of Lands and Survey, Wellington, 26th November, 1917.

NOTICE is hereby given that the leases and licenses of the undermentioned lands having been declared forfeited by resolution of the Auckland Land Board, the said lands have thereby reverted to the Crown under the provisions of the Land Act, 1908.

SCHEDULE.

AUCKLAND LAND DISTRICT.

| Tenure, Lease or License No. | Section. | Block. | District.            | Lessee or Licensee.  | Reason for Forfeiture.        |
|------------------------------|----------|--------|----------------------|--|-------------------------------|
| O.R.P. 3138                  | 100      | ..     | Otau Parish .. ..    | Mayor, Councillors, and Burgesses of the Borough of Onehunga, and the Inhabitants of the Manukau Water-supply District | At request.                   |
| " 4286                       | 13       | XV     | Wharepapa .. ..      | A. A. Dobson .. ..   | Non-fulfilment of conditions. |
| " 5177                       | 208      | ..     | Okura Parish .. ..   | William Henderson ..   | "                             |
| " 5189                       | 190      | ..     | " .. ..              | D. T. Lewis .. ..  | At request.                   |
| " 5190                       | 182/3    | ..     | " .. ..              | R. C. Richardson .. ..   | Non-fulfilment of conditions. |
| " 5382                       | 275      | ..     | Waipu Parish .. ..   | Frank Potter .. ..   | At request.                   |
| " 5306                       | 297      | ..     | Taupiri Parish .. .. | M. Storey .. ..  | "                             |
| R.L. 843                     | 2        | II     | Lichfield Village .. | C. Maddox .. ..  | "                             |
| " 1332                       | 55/60    | ..     | Karamu Parish .. ..  | T. B. O'Connell .. ..  | "                             |
| H.P.L. 419                   | 6        | XIV    | Whitianga .. ..      | Mere Teperu Teita ..   | "                             |

F. H. D. BELL,  
For Minister of Lands.

*Settlement Land in Southland Land District open for Selection.*

District Lands and Survey Office,  
Invercargill, 23rd November, 1917.

NOTICE is hereby given that the undermentioned land is open for selection on renewable lease, under the provisions of the Land Act, 1908, and the Land for Settlements Act, 1908, and amendments; and applications will be received at this office up to 4 o'clock p.m. on Monday, 17th December, 1917.

Applicants will have to appear personally before the Land Board for examination at this office on Tuesday, 18th December, 1917, at 11 o'clock a.m.

The ballot will be held at the conclusion of the examination.

Preference will be given to soldiers (either discharged or on active service), and to landless applicants who have children dependent on them or who have within the preceding two years applied for land at least twice unsuccessfully.

SCHEDULE.

SOUTHLAND LAND DISTRICT.—SOUTHLAND COUNTY.—HOKONUI SURVEY DISTRICT.—ARDLUSSA SETTLEMENT.

*Mixed Agricultural and Pastoral Land.*

SECTION 1, Blocks II and III: Area, 5,031 acres 1 rood 6 perches; capital value, £3,733; total half-yearly rental, £84.

Open, undulating to hilly agricultural and pastoral land. Subdivided into four paddocks, the eastern boundary being unfenced. 136 acres in new grass; some 600 to 700 acres are ploughable; the balance is hilly tussock country. Elevation, from 720 ft. to 2,050 ft. Well watered by permanent streams.

Section 3, Block VII: Area, 1,790 acres; capital value, £3,978; total half-yearly rental, £89 10s.

Open, flat, and hilly agricultural and pastoral land. Subdivided into six paddocks, and practically all ring-fenced with rabbit-proof fences. Comprising 345 acres in grass; the balance, 1,445 acres, is mostly hilly tussock country. Elevation, from 600 ft. to 1,700 ft. above sea-level.

The improvements which go with the sections are as follows: Section 1—938 chains of boundary and subdivisional fencing, valued at £293. Section 3—889 chains boundary and subdivisional fencing, valued at £465 18s.

Ardlussa Settlement is situated from six miles to ten miles and three-quarters from Balfour Railway-station, on the Gore-Lumsden line.

H. D. M. HASZARD,  
Commissioner of Crown Lands.