

The commission granted the Reverend Leslie Dawson Thomas, Chaplain to the Forces, 4th Class, is cancelled under the provisions of section 5 (a) of the Defence Act, 1909. Dated 16th November, 1917.

The commission granted the Reverend George Henry Curle, Chaplain to the Forces, 4th Class, is cancelled under the provisions of section 5 (a) of the Defence Act, 1909. Dated 16th November, 1917.

The Reverend Rungaahi Peni Hakiwai to be Chaplain to the Forces, 4th Class. Dated 8th November, 1917.

NEW ZEALAND ARMY NURSING SERVICE.

Staff Nurse Laura Martha Charlotte Ibbetson is struck off the strength of the N.Z. Expeditionary Force with effect from 6th October, 1917, and is posted to the Retired List. Dated 6th October, 1917.

Staff Nurse Dora Moore, N.Z. Expeditionary Force, is struck off the strength with effect from 6th November, 1917, and is posted to the Retired List. Dated 6th November, 1917.

Staff Nurse Mabel M. Coates is struck off the strength of the N.Z. Expeditionary Force with effect from 24th October, 1917, and is posted to the Retired List. Dated 24th October, 1917.

The notices published in the various *N.Z. Gazettes* relating to Sisters Camilla Steele, Dora E. Giffney, Catherine Gibbons Blackie, Eliza Dorcas Stubbs, Christine F. Maclean, Anne Duncan Campbell, Lilian McLoughry, Gertrude C. McCara, Ada Royd Garlick; Staff Nurses Bertha Evelyn Duke, Rachael Nellie Gray, and Violet Peterson resigning their appointments, is cancelled.

The notification published in the *N.Z. Gazette* No. 165, of the 8th November, 1917, relating to Staff Nurse Mabel Elizabeth Jamieson, is cancelled.

UNATTACHED LIST (b).

Robert William Winter to be 2nd Lieutenant (temp.). Dated 6th November, 1917.

UNATTACHED LIST (b), GENERAL LIST.

Daniel Black Waters to be Captain. Dated 1st December, 1915.

Captain Daniel Black Waters, N.Z. Expeditionary Force, is struck off the strength with effect from the 14th December, 1917, and is absorbed with his original rank and seniority—viz., Captain, as from the 1st December, 1915.

Captain (temp.) H. L. Spratt relinquishes the temporary rank of Captain on ceasing to do duty with the Adjutant-General's Branch. Dated 6th October, 1917.

2nd Lieutenant James Wilson, N.Z. Expeditionary Force, is struck off the strength with effect from the 12th December, 1917, and is absorbed with his original rank and seniority—viz., 2nd Lieutenant, as from the 23rd September, 1916 (*vide N.Z. Gazette* No. 107, of the 21st September, 1916).

2nd Lieutenant Frederick Ashley Hosking, N.Z. Expeditionary Force, is struck off the strength with effect from 12th December, 1917, and is absorbed with his original rank and seniority—viz., 2nd Lieutenant, as from the 24th June, 1916 (*vide N.Z. Gazette* No. 69, of the 22nd June, 1916).

2nd Lieutenant George Neville Hill, N.Z. Expeditionary Force, is struck off the strength with effect from the 12th December, 1917, and is absorbed with his original rank and seniority—viz., 2nd Lieutenant, as from the 24th June, 1916 (*vide N.Z. Gazette* No. 69, of the 22nd June, 1916).

2nd Lieutenant William Athol de Capell Mills, N.Z. Expeditionary Force, is struck off the strength with effect from the 14th December, 1917, and is absorbed with his original rank and seniority—viz., 2nd Lieutenant, as from the 12th February, 1917 (*vide N.Z. Gazette* No. 22, of the 8th February, 1917).

J. ALLEN,
Minister of Defence.

Award of Colonial Auxiliary Forces Officers' Decoration.

Department of Defence,
Wellington, 29th November, 1917.

HIS Excellency the Governor-General has been pleased to approve of the award of the Colonial Auxiliary Forces Officers' Decoration to

Major (temp. Lieut.-Colonel) ROBERT VALPY FULTON,
New Zealand Medical Corps,

he having a total commissioned service to the 9th November, 1917, entitling him thereto, of twenty years and thirty-one days.

J. ALLEN,
Minister of Defence

Redefining Boundaries of the Borough of Ashburton and the Hampstead Town District.

Department of Internal Affairs,
Wellington, 4th December, 1917.

PURSUANT to the provisions of section 20 of the Municipal Corporations Amendment Act, 1910, the boundaries of the Borough of Ashburton are hereby defined as set out in the First Schedule hereto, the boundaries of the said borough having been altered by an Order in Council dated the 13th day of August, 1917, made under the Municipal Corporations Act, 1908, as amended by the Municipal Corporations Amendment Act, 1913, published in the *New Zealand Gazette* No. 129, of the 16th day of August, 1917.

And also, in pursuance of the said section 20 of the Municipal Corporations Amendment Act, 1910, the boundaries of the Hampstead Town District affected by the said Order in Council dated the 13th day of August, 1917, are hereby defined as set out in the Second Schedule hereto.

FIRST SCHEDULE.

BOUNDARIES OF THE BOROUGH OF ASHBURTON.

ALL that area in the Canterbury Land District, bounded by a line commencing at the junction of roads at the western-most corner of Rural Section 4906, along the south-western boundary of that section and its production to the south-eastern side of East Street, along the south-eastern side of that street to King Street, along the south-western side of King Street to Brucefield Avenue, along the north-western side of that avenue to and along the south-western side of Kitchener Street to Bridge Street, along the north-western side of Bridge Street to and across a road to the northern-most corner of Rural Section 4904, along the north-western boundary of that section, across a road, along the north-western boundary of Rural Section 4873 and that boundary produced to the left bank of the Ashburton River, along the left bank of that river to a point in line with the south-eastern boundary of Rural Section 4905; thence to and along the south-eastern boundary of that section and a right line to the westernmost corner of Rural Section 4906, the place of commencement.

SECOND SCHEDULE.

BOUNDARIES OF THE HAMPSTEAD TOWN DISTRICT.

ALL that area in the Canterbury Land District, bounded by a line along the south-eastern and north-eastern boundaries of the Borough of Ashburton from the left bank of the Ashburton River to the Main Trunk Railway Reserve; along the south-eastern side of that reserve and the south-western side of the road forming the north-eastern boundaries of Reserves 2471, 2644, 1261, 3446, 1120, and Sections 14370 and 15470; along the north-western side of the road forming the south-eastern boundaries of Sections 15470, 15999, 13705, 10350, and Reserves 1415 and 1119 to Wakanui Road; along the north-eastern side of that road to a point in line with the south-eastern side of Trevor's Road, across the road, and along the south-eastern side of the said Trevor's Road to the left bank of the Ashburton River; and along the left bank of that river to the Ashburton Borough, the place of commencement.

ARTHUR M. MYERS,
For Minister of Internal Affairs.

NOTE.—This notice is in substitution for that published in *Gazette* No. 165, of the 8th November, 1917, page 4194.

Notice respecting Proposed Alteration of Boundaries, Hungahunga Drainage District, Counties of Piako and Matamata.

Department of Internal Affairs,
Wellington, 29th November, 1917.

IT is hereby notified that a petition has been presented to His Excellency the Governor-General, under the Land Drainage Act, 1908, praying that the area described in the Schedule hereto may be included in the Hungahunga Drainage District. All persons affected are hereby called upon to lodge any written objections to or petitions against the proposed inclusion which they desire to lodge, within one month from the first publication of this notice, such objections or petitions to be addressed to the Minister of Internal Affairs, Wellington.

SCHEDULE.

AREA TO BE INCLUDED IN HUNGAHUNGA DRAINAGE DISTRICT.

ALL that area in the Auckland Land District, bounded by a line commencing at a point on the southern side of the