Arthur Edward Gladstone, B.A., Canty., M.R.C.S. Eng., L.R.C.P. Lond., to be Captain. Dated 28th November,

N.Z. CHAPLAINS DEPARTMENT.

The Rev. Oswald Russell Hewlett, Chaplain to the Forces 4th Class, retires under the provisions of paragraph 127, General Regulations, 1913. Dated 7th December, 1917.

N.Z. ARMY NURSING SERVICE.

Nurse Ethelwyn Carruth is struck off the strength of the N.Z. Expeditionary Force with effect from the 30th Novem-ber, 1917, and posted to the Retired List. Dated 30th November, 1917.

MASSAGE BRANCH.

Miss Louise Frederikke Peterson is struck off the strength of the N.Z. Expeditionary Force with effect from the 27th November, 1917, and posted to the Retired List. Dated 27th November, 1917.

UNATTACHED LIST (b).

The undermentioned 2nd Lieutenants to be Lieutenants: Alfred James Garry. Dated 25th August, 1917. Ferdinand John Coe. Dated 1st November, 1917.

The appointments of the undermentioned 2nd Lieutenants

on probation are confirmed:

Mervyn Wells.

Percy Stacpoole.

Arthur Alphonso Kenny. William John Logan.

The appointment of Major (on probation) David Walter Dunlop lapses under the provisions of paragraph 89, General Regulations, 1913. Dated 15th November, 1917.

The appointments of the undermentioned 2nd Lieutenants lapse under the provisions of paragraph 89, General Regulations, 1913. Dated 15th November, 1917:—

Alan Clive Roberts. Robert Edward Jamieson. Allan Randolph Oxley. Francis James Black Laurance. John Parker English. Owen Price Owen. Frederick George Wilkinson. George Frederick Charles Hosking. Henry Benner.

Francis D'Oyley Mears to be 2nd Lieutenant (temp.). Dated 16th October, 1917.

UNATTACHED LIST (b), GENERAL LIST.

2nd Lieutenant John William Barclay, N.Z. Expeditionary Force, is struck off the strength with effect from 1st January, 1918, and is absorbed with his original rank and seniority, viz., 2nd Lieutenant, as from the 12th February, 1917, vide New Zealand Gazette No. 22, of the 8th February, 1917. 2nd Lieutenant Douglas Warren Russell, N.Z. Expeditionary January, 1918, and absorbed with his original rank and seniority, viz., 2nd Lieutenant, as from the 28th May, 1917, vide New Zealand Gazette No. 91, of the 31st May,

ERRATUM.

1917.

The notice published in the New Zealand Gazette No. 165, of the 8th November, 1917, relating to "10/586 Sergeant L. Fitzmaurice," should read "11/586 Sergeant L. O'B. Fitzmaurice.

J. ALLEN, Minister of Defence.

By-laws made by the Woolston Fire Board.

Department of Internal Affairs, Wellington, 10th December, 1917.

THE following by-laws made by the Woolston Fire Board are published in accordance with the Fire Brigades Act, 1908.

G. W. RUSSELL, Minister of Internal Affairs.

WOOLSTON FIRE BOARD.

BY-LAWS.

1. In these by-laws, if not inconsistent with the context, the words and phrases following shall have the meanings hereby assigned to them:—

"Fire district" shall mean the Woolston Fire District as constituted under the Fire Brigades Act, 1908:

"Board" shall mean the Woolston Fire Board:

"Brigade" shall mean the Woolston Fire Brigade, hereinafter established, and so named:
"Members" shall mean paid and auxiliary members of the Brigade, as hereinafter classified, and shall include paid and auxiliary officers thereof:

Words importing the singular include the plural number, and words importing the plural number include the singular number.

Name of Brigade.

2. The Brigade shall be known as "The Woolston Fire Brigade.'

Establishment and Pay.

3. The Brigade shall consist of two classes:-

(a.) Paid officers and members—namely, persons who are employed solely in the service of the Board as members of the Brigade, and who are not permitted to engage in any employment outside the Brigade, except with the special permission of the Board.

(b.) Auxiliary officers and members—namely, persons who are enrolled as members of the Brigade for the purpose of engaging in certain drills and practices, and

at fires, but who follow their ordinary avocation.

The rates of pay for paid officers and members, and the rates of pay or allowances to auxiliary officers and members shall be as may be determined from time to time by the Roard

Officers.

4. The officers of the Brigade shall consist of the Superintendent, a Deputy Superintendent, a Foreman, a Station Foreman, and an Engine-driver; no other titles will be recognized.

Appointments and Promotions of Officers.

5. The appointment of the Superintendent shall be made 5. The appointment of the Superintendent shall be made by the Board. The appointment of the Deputy Superin-tendent and officers shall be made by the Board, either by promotion of officers or men in the Board's service, or by engagement of men not heretofore in the service of the Board. Character, general fitness, length of service, and passing of necessary examinations shall be taken into due consideration.

Application for Appointment to Brigade.

6. Application for appointment to either the paid class or the auxiliary class must be made on a form approved by the Board.

Members on Appointment to serve a Term of Probation.

7. Eligible candidates, when finally approved, will be accepted as members of the Brigade on probation only, the time of which shall not be less than six months for paid members or auxiliary members. If at the end of such term the probationer shall have given satisfaction to the Superintendent, and have proved himself suitable, his appointment to the Brigade may be confirmed by the Board.

Term of Engagement.

8. The engagement of officers will be for one month, and shall so continue until determined by one month's notice in writing, given by or to the Board.

Leave of Absence.

9. The Superintendent shall be entitled to leave of absence from 1 p.m. to 11 p.m. on alternate Saturdays, and from 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. on alternate Sundays.

The Superintendent.

10. Without restricting the general powers conferred upon him by section 31 of the Fire Brigades Act, 1908, the duties

and powers of the Superintendent shall be as follows:—

(a.) He shall be responsible to the Board for the efficiency of the members of the Brigade and all gear used

m its service.

(b.) He shall allot such duties to the members of the Brigade as he shall deem necessary for insuring efficiency thereof, and may withdraw any member from any special duty and allot him fresh duties at his (the Superintendent's) discretion.

11. In the absence of the Superintendent from any cause, to Deputy Superintendent or in his shapes the payt senior.

the Deputy Superintendent, or, in his absence, the next senior officer, shall have and exercise all the powers and duties

laid down for the Superintendent. 12. Every member of the Brigade must obey the lawful orders of his superior officers only, and must conform to all the rules and regulations which have been made or which may be made from time to time by the Board, and all orders and instructions which may be issued from time to time by the Superintendent in exercise of the powers conferred on

him by the Board.

13. In the absence of the Superintendent or Deputy Superintendent at any fire, the senior officer present shall