Remarks.-Wilson Spit light-buoy has been with-

(b.) Position.—On No. 2 beacon on the northern side of the entrance to Hopetoun Channel.

Abridged Description.—Lt. gp. fl., vis. 6 m.

Characteristics:

Character.—A group flashing white light showing two flashes.

Visibility.—6 miles.

Remarks.—The temporary light-float with fixed white light about one cable eastward from the above position has been withdrawn.

2. Alteration in character of light:

Position.—On No. 1 beacon on the southern side of Hopetoun Channel.

New Abridged Description.—Lt. fl., red, vis. 4 m. Alteration.—The character of the light has been altered

from fixed red to flashing red.

3. Buoy established:

Position.—At a distance of 12.6 cables, 158° (S. 30° E. mag.), from the extremity of Point Wilson. Description.—A red conical buoy.

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4. Alteration in position of light-buoy:

New Position.—At a distance of about one cable southwestward of former position and 12·2 cables, 103°
(S. 85° E. mag.), from No. 2 beacon referred to in ì (b).

Description.—A light-buoy, painted black, exhibiting a flashing red light.

5. Beacons removed:

Details.-The following beacons in Hopetoun Channel have been removed:—

(a.) The beacon on the northern side of the

channel opposite No. 3 beacon.

channel opposite No. 3 beacon.

(b.) The beacon on the southern side of the channel opposite No. 4 beacon.

(c.) The beacon on the southern side of the channel opposite No. 6 beacon.

Note.—The note "Widening in progress 1916" shown on the chart against Hopetoun Channel is to be expunged; the navigable width is now 230 ft.

Varieties.—2° F

Variation.—8° E.

Notice to Mariners.—No. 59 of 1918.

CURRENT FLOATS.

Marine Department,
Wellington, N.Z., 25th September, 1918.

NOTICE is hereby given that, commencing on or about the 2nd October, 1918, the Marine Department will commence laying a series of floats designed to ascertain the trend of the currents in Cook Strait.

These floats will appear as red, flat, circular objects, floating level with the surface of the water, with a large number painted on them, and will be surmounted by a small staff and small metal flag which will also have a number registed

and small metal flag, which will also have a number painted

All masters of vessels are requested to keep a good lookout for these objects, and, if possible, to ascertain the number,

and report where met with, as soon as possible, to the Secretary of the Marine Department, Wellington.

These objects should not be confused with floating mines, as the latter probably float about 18 in. above the surface and have four or five horns, and are approximately spherical in shape in the part showing above water.

> GEORGE ALLPORT, Secretary.

Officiating Ministers for 1918.—Notice No. 35.

Registrar-General's Office,

Wellington, 24th September, 1918. PURSUANT to the provisions of the Marriage Act, 1908, the following name of an Officiating Minister within the meaning of the said Act is published for general information :-

Baptists.

Pastor ALFRED NEIL GALPIN.

W. W. COOK, Registrar-General.

Notice published pursuant to the Provisions of Section 15 of the Public Trust Office Act, 1908, and Sections 18 and 19 of the Public Trust Office Amendment Act, 1913.

OTICE is hereby given that, no person having taken out administration, the Public Trustee has filed in the Supreme Court at Wellington an election to administer the several estates of the persons deceased whose names, residences, and occupations (so far as known) are hereunder respectively set forth, their gross properties being estimated not to exceed £400 in each case.

No.	Name of Deceased.	Residence.	Occupation.	Date of Death.	Date Election filed.	Testate or Intestate.
1	Baker, Charles	Nelson	Fisherman	22/6/18	19/9/18	Intestate.
2	Bouttell, John Arthur	Wellington	Ship's steward	8/6/17	18/9/18	Testate.
3	Bunn, Ernest	Eltham, Taranaki	Motor-driver	7/7/18	18/9/18	,,
4	Chapman, M	Wellington	Married woman	28/4/18	18/9/18	Intestate.
5	Davidson, Laura E	Nelson	Spinster	6/8/18	19/9/18	,,
6	Donaldson, Sidney James	Wellington	Labourer	5/5/17	18/9/18	,,
7	Duff. Alex. M. B	,,	Clerk	12/8/18	19/9/18	,,
8	Fairhead, Rhoda	Palmerston North	Domestic duties	3/8/18	18/9/18	Testate.
9	Fowler, M. L	Nelson	Seaman	17/8/18	18/9/18	Intestate.
10	Griffiths, Robert	Greymouth	Miner	20/8/18	21/9/18	Testate.
11	Haworth, Ashley Aston	Dunedin	Medical practitioner	1/2/18	18/9/18	,,
12	Hare, Herbert Walter	Wellington	Coal-merchant	12/10/17	21/9/18	,,
13	Hewitt, Archibald Frank	Christchurch	Shepherd	5/4/18	18/9/18	,,
14	Kane, John	Otago	• • •	5/6/18	19/9/18	Intestate.
15	Mackey, Lereson G	Canterbury	Miner	13/10/15	19/9/18	,,
16	McMillan, Hector Norman	Rae's Junction, Otago		12/10/17	18/9/18	Testate.
17	Moir, David Robert	Hakaru	Farm hand	6/6/17	21/9/18	,,
18	O'Dowd, Thomas	St. Bathan's, Otago	Retired miner	3/8/18	21/9/18	,,
19	Pierce, Daniel William	Featherston	Ploughman	7/6/17	18/9/18	Intestate.
20	Serpell, Samuel Llewellyn	Mangaweka, formerly Wanganui	Medical practitioner	15/12/17	21/9/18	Testate.
21	Sim, Lindo Aitchison	Charlton	Cheesemaker	19/5/18	21/9/18	Intestate.
22	Stent, Richard	Wellington	Farm hand	2 or 3/7/16	18/9/18	Testate.
23	Terry, John McLennan	Dunedin	Warehouseman	28/3/18	18/9/18	,,
24	Tester, Thomas Lancelot	Auckland	Coppersmith	18/6/17	18/9/18	,,
25	Tilsey, Walter Alexander	,,	Engineer	28/3/18	21/9/18	,,
26	Wardell, John Walter	,,	Ironmonger	31/7/17	18/9/18	Wills 2.
27	Wicks, Harry William	Cambridge	Gardener	30/9/16	18/9/18	" 1.
28	Vertue, Sam John (or John Vertue)	Fairlie	Cook	13/7/18	24/9/18	Intestate.