

*Result of Poll for Proposed Loan.*

Wellington, 9th October, 1918.

THE following notice, received from the Chairman of the Raetihi Town Board, is published in accordance with the provisions of the Local Bodies' Loans Act, 1913.

ARTHUR M. MYERS,  
Acting Minister of Finance.

RAETIHI TOWN BOARD.

*Notice of Result of Poll on Proposals to raise Loans.*

PURSUANT to section 12 of the Local Bodies' Loans Act, 1913, I hereby give notice that a poll of the ratepayers of the Town District of Raetihi was taken on 2nd October, 1918, on the proposals of the Board to borrow—

- (1) The sum of £1,000 to complete the water and sewage works;
- (2) The sum of £1,500 for rebuilding and furnishing office;
- (3) The sum of £2,500 for rebuilding and furnishing offices with shops to let.

The number of votes recorded for the first-named proposal was 48, and the number of votes recorded against the proposal was 8; informal, 2.

The number of votes recorded for the second-named proposal was 32, and the number of votes recorded against the proposal was 22; informal, 4.

The number of votes recorded for the third-named proposal was 25, and the number of votes recorded against the proposal was 30; informal, 3.

I therefore declare the first and second proposals carried, and the third proposal lost.

T. A. HARRIS, Chairman.

*Notice fixing the Closing-hours of Hairdressers' and Tobacconists' Shops in the Borough of Timaru, under the Shops and Offices Act, 1908.*

WHEREAS a requisition in writing, signed by a majority of the occupiers of all the shops in each of the trades of (1) hairdresser and (2) tobacconist in the Borough of Timaru, has been forwarded to me, desiring that all such shops in the borough shall be closed in the evening of working-days as follows: Subject to the closing at not later than 1 p.m. on the day observed as the statutory closing-day,

on Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Fridays at 6 p.m., and on Saturdays at 10 p.m., with the following exceptions— (1) should the occupier of any shop affected by this requisition observe, pursuant to section 11 (2) of the Shops and Offices Act, 1908, Saturday as the statutory closing-day, then and in such case the closing-hour on Friday for any such shop shall be 10 p.m., and on Thursday 6 p.m.; (2) should the occupier of any shop bound by the provisions of this requisition observe, pursuant to the provisions of section 19 of the Shops and Offices Act, 1908, any of the special days therein mentioned other than Thursday as the statutory closing-day, then and in such case the closing-hour on Thursday for any such shop shall be 6 p.m., and when such special day falls on Saturday the closing-hour on Friday for any such shop shall be 10 p.m.; (3) the working-day immediately preceding Christmas Day, and the working-day immediately preceding New Year's Day, when the closing-hour shall be midnight;

And whereas the Timaru Borough Council has certified that the signatures to such requisition represent a majority of the occupiers of all the shops in each of the trades of (1) hairdresser and (2) tobacconist within the Borough of Timaru:

Now, therefore, I, William Herbert Herries, Acting Minister of Labour, in pursuance of section 25 of the Shops and Offices Act, 1908, do hereby direct that on and after the 16th day of October, 1918, all the shops in each of the trades of (1) hairdresser and (2) tobacconist in the Borough of Timaru shall be closed accordingly.

Dated at Wellington this 9th day of October, 1918.

W. H. HERRIES,  
Acting Minister of Labour.

*Conscience-money received.*

The Treasury,  
Wellington, 2nd October, 1918.

THE Honourable Acting Minister of Finance directs me to acknowledge the receipt of 10s., forwarded to the Department of Agriculture, Industries, and Commerce, by a person unknown, as conscience-money.

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

*Immigration and Emigration Returns.*

RETURN of IMMIGRATION to and EMIGRATION from the DOMINION of NEW ZEALAND during the MONTH of SEPTEMBER, 1918, showing the Places from which Persons arrived and to which they departed, and the Ports of Arrival and Departure.

ARRIVALS FROM AND DEPARTURES TO DIFFERENT PLACES.

Countries.	ARRIVALS.					DEPARTURES.				
	Adults.		Children.		Total Persons.	Adults.		Children.		Total Persons.
	M.	F.	M.	F.		M.	F.	M.	F.	
Australian Commonwealth .. .. .	341	176	23	22	562	326	293	25	32	676
Fiji .. .. .	25	12	3	6	46	13	16	6	4	39
Norfolk Island .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	3	8	2	1	14
Cook Islands .. .. .	6	3	1	1	11	8	8	2	3	21
Canada .. .. .	88	144	20	22	274	20	15	1	1	37
United States .. .. .	23	8	1	2	34	12	9	..	..	21
Hawaii .. .. .	3	4	..	..	7	3	1	..	..	4
Samoa .. .. .	7	4	2	..	13	25	2	1	..	28
Foreign Pacific Islands (undefined) ..	5	4	..	1	10	93	4	3	2	102
<b>Totals, September, 1918</b> .. .. .	<b>498</b>	<b>355</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>54</b>	<b>957</b>	<b>503</b>	<b>356</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>942</b>
<b>Totals, September, 1917</b> .. .. .	<b>332</b>	<b>218</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>622</b>	<b>322</b>	<b>179</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>423</b>

The excess of the arrivals in New Zealand over the departures therefrom during the month of September, 1918, was therefore 15 persons, as against 199 in the corresponding month of 1917.