Lieutenant (temporary Captain) Ruskin Burritt Cranwell relinquishes his appointment at Dental Hospital, Feathers-ton Camp, and the temporary rank of Captain whilst so employed. Dated 2nd March, 1918.

NEW ZEALAND CHAPLAINS DEPARTMENT.

The Reverend William John Murphy to be Chaplain to the Forces, 4th Class. Dated 23rd February, 1918.

The Reverend John MacInnes, Chaplain to the Forces, 4th Class, rotires under the provisions of paragraph 127, General Regulations, 1913. Dated 27th February, 1918.

The Reverend James Branksome Hall, Chaplain to the Forces, 4th Class, retires under the provisions of paragraph 127, General Regulatoins, 1913. Dated 27th February, 1918.

UNATTACHED LIST (b) GENERAL LIST.

Licutenant Ralph Fitz-Roger Boetham is struck off the strength of the N.Z. Expeditionary Force with effect from 21st March, 1918, and is absorbed with his original rank and seniority—viz., 2nd Lieutenant, as from 30th May, 1915, vide New Zealand Gazette No. 150, of the 4th October, 1917.

NEW ZEALAND EXPEDITIONARY FORCE.

Wireless Troops.

2nd Lieutenant Jeremiah William Melville to be Lieutenant. Dated 1st November, 1917.

J. ALLEN, Minister of Defence.

List of Fire-insurance Companie's carrying on Business in New Zealand.

Department of Internal Affairs,

Wellington, 5th March, 1918.

THE following list of fire-insurance companies carrying on business in New Zealand is published in accordance with clause 11 of the rules made under the Fire Brigades Act, 1908.

G. W. RUSSELL, Minister of Internal Affairs

FIRE-INSURANCE COMPANIES.

Alliance Assurance Company (Limited). Australian Alliance Assurance Company.
Atlas Assurance Company (Limited).
British Traders' Insurance Company (Limited). British Traders' Insurance Company (Limited).
Commercial Union Assurance Company (Limited).
Eagle and British Dominions General Insurance Company (Limited) of London.
Excess Insurance Company (Limited).
Farmers' Co-operative Fire and Marine Insurance Association of New Zealand (Limited).
Guardian Assurance Company (Limited).
Liverpool and London and Globe Insurance Company (Limited). (Limited) London and Lancashire Fire Insurance Company (Li-

mited).
National Insurance Company of New Zealand (Limited).

New Zealand Insurance Company (Limited). North British and Mercantile Insurance Company Northern Assurance Company (Limited).
Norwich Union Fire Insurance Society (Limited).
Ocean Accident and Guarantee Corporation (Limited).

Phonix Assurance Company (Limited).
Queensland Insurance Company (Limited).
Royal Exchange Assurance Corporation of London.
Royal Insurance Company (Limited).
South British Insurance Company (Limited).

Standard Fire and Marine Insurance Company of New Zealand (Limited). State Fire Insurance Office. Sun Insurance Office.

Union Assurance Society (Limited).
Union Insurance Society of Canton (Limited).
United Insurance Company (Limited).

Victoria Insurance Company (Limited).
Yorkshire Insurance Company (Limited).
Hawke's Bay Farmers' Mutual Fire Insurance Association.
Otago Farmers' Union Mutual Fire Insurance Association. Taranaki Farmers' Mutual Fire Insurance Association.
Wellington Farmers' Union Mutual Fire Insurance AssoMembers, Dargaville Fire Board.

Department of Internal Affairs,

Wellington, 4th March, 1918.

THE undermentioned persons have been appointed or elected to be members of the Dargaville Fire Board constituted under the Fire Brigades Act, 1908:-

Appointed by the Governor-General-Gilbert Nelson Hays.

Elected by the Fire-insurance Companies— James Royston Callender. Geoffrey Nevill. John Ernest Morten.

Elected by the Dargaville Borough Council-James Alexander McLean. Robert Arthur Jackson. Andrew Columbus Paul.

G. W. RUSSELL Minister of Internal Affairs.

Denunciation by Russian Government of Anglo-Russian Treaty of Commerce and Navigation.

Wellington, 1st March, 1918. T is hereby notified that a communication has been Treceived from the Secretary of State for the Colonies advising that the Russian Government has denounced the Anglo-Russian Treaty of Commerce and Navigation of the 12th January, 1859.

THOMAS M. WILFORD, Minister of Marine.

Result of Poll for Proposed Loan.

Wellington, 4th March, 1918.

THE following notice, received from the Chairman of the Kairanga County Council, is published in accordance with the provisions of the Local Bodies' Loans Act, 1913.

J. G. WARD, Minister of Finance.

KAIRANGA COUNTY COUNCIL.—TAONUI RIDING.

Notice of Result of Poll on Proposal to Raise a Loan. PURSUANT to section 12 of the Local Bodies' Leans Act, 1913, PURSUANT to section 12 of the Local Bodies Leans Act, 1913, I hereby give notice that at a poll of the ratepayers of the Taonui Riding of the County of Kairanga, taken on the 14th day of February, 1918, on the proposal of the Kairanga County Council to borrow the sum of £2,500 (two thousand fine hundred pounds) for the purpose of laying down ten chains in concrete and about one hundred chains in tarred road on the Foxton Line.

The number of votes recorded for the proposal was 109, and the number of votes recorded against the proposal was 81. I therefore declare that the proposal was lost.

Dated this 14th day of February, 1918.

JOSEPH LINKLATER, Chairman of the County.

Result of Poll for Proposed Loan.

Wellington, 4th March, 1918. THE following notice, received from the Chairman of the Kairanga County Council, is published in accordance with the provisions of the Local Bodies' Loans Act, 1913.

> J. G WARD. Minister of Finance.

KAIRANGA COUNTY COUNCIL.—TAONUI AND MANGAONE RIDINGS.

Notice of Result of Poll on Proposal to Raise a Loan PURSUANT to section 12 of the Local Bodies' Loans Act, 1913, PURSUANT to section 12 of the Local Bodies' Loans Act, 1913, I hereby give notice that at a poll of the ratepayers of the Taonui and Mangaone Ridings of the County of Kairanga, taken on the 14th day of February, 1918, on the proposal of the Kairanga County Council to borrow the sum of two thousand five hundred pounds (£2,500) for the purpose of tarring about one hundred chains of the Rangitikei Line.

The number of votes against the proposal was 164.

I therefore declare that the proposal was 16st.

I therefore declare that the proposal was lost.

Dated this 14th day of February, 1918.

JOSEPH LINKLATER Chairman of the County.