And whereas all the conditions precedent required by law to be observed and performed prior to the authorization of the construction of the said extension of railway have been

observed and performed:

Now, therefore, in pursuance and exercise of the powers vested in him by the Local Railways Act, 1914, and section seventy-eight of the Reserves and other Lands Disposal and Public Bodies Empowering Act, 1916, and of all other powers in anywise enabling him in this behalf, His Excellency the Governor-General of the Dominion of New Zealand, acting by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of the said Dominion, doth hereby authorize the extension of the Wairio to Moretown Railway, the middle-line whereof is described in the Schedule hereto.

SCHEDULE.

COMMENCING at a point on the Wairio to Moretown Railway, in Section 194, Block VI, Wairio District, 4669 links south and 7778.2 links east of Trig. I, and proceeding in a northwesterly direction generally for a distance of 1 mile 50 chains, more or less, and passing in, into, through, or over the following lands—viz., Sections 194, Block VI, 37 and 20, Block III, Wairio District; and terminating at a point in the said Section 20, 5834.5 links north and 1864.7 links east of the said Trig. I: including all adjoining and intervening places, lands, erves, roads, tracks, lakes, rivers, streams, and watercourses

In the Southland Land District; as the same is delineated on the plan marked P.W.D. 43054, deposited in the office of the Minister of Public Works at Wellington, in the Wellington Land District.

> F. D. THOMSON, Acting Clerk of the Executive Council.

Consenting to the Raising of Loans by certain Local Authorities.

LIVERPOOL, Governor-General.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government House at Wellington, this twenty-seventh day of February, 1918.

Present:

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL IN COUNCIL.

THEREAS by section twenty-six, subsection one, of the Appropriation Act, 1915, it is provided that, notwithstanding any Act to the concrary, it shall not be lawful or competent for any local authority or for any Harbour Board, during the present war with Germany, to borrow or contract to borrow any money (otherwise than by way of bank overdraft within the limit of its powers, if any, in that behalf), whether from the State Advances Office or from any other source whatever, and whether in pursuance of a special Act or under any other authority whatever, without the precedent consent of the Governor-General in Council:

And whereas application has been made for the consent of and whereas approach has been made for the consent of the Governor-General in Council to enable the several local authorities mentioned in the Schedule hereto to borrow the loans set out in column B therein: And whereas it is expedient that the precedent consent of the Governor-General in

Council should issue :

Now, therefore, His Excellency the Governor-General of the Dominion of New Zealand, acting by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of the said Dominion, and consent of the Executive Council of the said Dominion, doth hereby consent to the raising of the loans hereinafter mentioned by the several local authorities set out in the Schedule hereto; provided that the rate of interest at which the loans or any of them are to be raised shall in no case produce to the lender a return exceeding five and one-quarter pounds per centum per annum; and it is hereby declared that this Order in Council is made under the provisions in that behalf of the Appropriation Act, 1915, and shall operate accordingly as a consent of the Governor-General in Council to the raising of the loans hereby authorized in Council to the raising of the loans hereby authorized

SCHEDULE			Column B.	
Cook County Council				4,500
Pukekohe Borough Council				750
Waitemata County Council			• • •	300

F. D. THOMSON, Acting Clerk of the Executive Council. Consenting to the Raising of Loans by certain Local Authorities from the State Advances Office.

LIVERPOOL, Governor-General. ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government House at Wellington, this twenty-seventh day of February, 1918.

Present:

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL IN COUNCIL.

W HEREAS by section twenty-six, subsection one, of the Appropriation Act, 1915, it is provided that, notwithstanding any Act to the contrary, it shall not be lawful or competent for any local authority or for any Harbour Board, during the present war with Germany, to borrow or contract to borrow any money (otherwise than by way of bank overdraft within the limit of its powers, if any, in that behalf), whether from the State Advances Office or from any other source whatever, and whether in pursuance of a special Act or under any other authority whatever, without the precedent consent of the Governor-General in Council:

And whereas application has been made for the consent of the Governor-General in Council to enable the several local authorities mentioned in the Schedule hereto to borrow the sums set opposite the names of the said local authorities respectively, for the several purposes specified in the said Schedule, from the State Advances Office:

And whereas it is expedient that the precedent consent of the Governor-General in Council should issue:

Now, therefore, His Excellency the Governor-General of the Dominion of New Zealand, acting by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of the said Dominion, doth hereby consent to the borrowing from the State Advances Office of the loans hereinafter mentioned by the several local authorities set out in the Schedule hereto for the purposes authorities set out in the Schedule; and it is hereby declared that this Order in Council is made under the provisions in that behalf of the Appropriation Act, 1915, and shall operate accordingly as a consent of the Governor-General in Council to the raising of the loans hereby authorized.

SCHEDULE.

EGMONT County Council, £4,000: For reconstructing certain

bridges in reinforced concrete.

Kawhia County Council, £600: For metalling a portion of the Kinohaku-Waiharakeke Road.

Manukau County Council, £1,000: For reconstructing three

bridges. Ngaruawahia Town Board, £1,200: For providing the Board's share of the cost of constructing a bridge over the Waipa

River at Ngaruawahia. Te Rapa Drainage Board, £500: For constructing drainageworks.

F. D. THOMSON, Acting Clerk of the Executive Council.

Declaring Rotoroa Road, in the Murchison County, to be a County Road.

LIVERPOOL, Governor-General ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government House at Wellington, this twenty-seventh day of February, 1918.

Present:

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL IN COUNCIL.

N pursuance and exercise of the powers vested in him by the Public Works Act, 1908, and of all other powers in anywise enabling him in this behalf, His Excellency the Governor General of the Dominion of New Zealand, acting by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of the said Dominion, doth hereby order and declare that the road described in the Schedule hereto shall, on and after the date of this Order in Council, become a county road.

SCHEDULE.

ALL that portion of road in the Nelson Land District, Murchison County, known as the "Rotoroa Road," commencing at the Gowan Bridge, Buller River, on the Glenhope – Westport – Reefton Road, eight miles from Glenhope Railwaystation, in Block IX, Hope Survey District; proceeding thence in a south-easterly direction along the boundaries of Sections 4 and 5, Block IX aforesaid, for a distance of about 180 chains; thence in a southerly direction for a distance of