

Officiating Ministers for 1919.—Notice No. 12.

Registrar-General's Office,
Wellington, 15th April, 1919.

PURSUANT to the provisions of the Marriage Act, 1908, the following names of Officiating Ministers within the meaning of the said Act are published for general information:—

Presbyterian Church of New Zealand.
The Reverend A. MACDONALD ASPLAND.

Methodist Church of New Zealand.
The Reverend JOHN FRANCIS JACK.

W. W. COOK,
Registrar-General.

Soldiers' Property Board of Trustees cancelled.

National Efficiency Board,
Wellington, 14th April, 1919.

IT is hereby notified for public information that the Minister of Defence has cancelled the appointment of the following Soldiers' Property Board of Trustees:—

The William Reilly Soldiers' Property Board of Trustees, as gazetted on the 9th day of August, 1917.

WILLIAM FERGUSON,
Chairman.

Plant declared to be a Noxious Weed by the Kowai County Council.—Notice No. 1959.

Department of Agriculture, Industries, and Commerce,
Wellington, 15th April, 1919.

IT is hereby notified for public information that the Kowai County Council has, by special order, declared ox-eye daisy (*Chrysanthemum leucanthemum*) to be a noxious weed within the meaning of the Noxious Weeds Act, 1908, in the district under its jurisdiction.

W. D. S. MACDONALD,
Minister of Agriculture and of Industries and Commerce.

Special Books in Languages and Literature for the Teachers' Class C Certificate Examination, January, 1920.

Education Department,
Wellington, 16th April, 1919.

NOTICE is hereby given that Gibbons "Autobiography" has been prescribed as an alternative to Landor "Pericles and Aspasia" for the Class C examination in English Language and Literature, January, 1920.

The list of books published in *New Zealand Gazette* No. 40, of 3rd April, 1919, is to be regarded as amended accordingly.

W. J. ANDERSON,
Inspector of Education.

Bank Statements.

STATEMENT of the average amount of Liabilities and Assets of the Bank of New Zealand, in New Zealand, during the Quarter ended 31st March, 1919.

LIABILITIES.		£	s.	d.
Notes in circulation	.. ..	3,416,485	13	10
Bills in circulation	.. ..	87,372	1	3
Balances due to other Banks	.. ..	63,485	4	0
Government deposits	.. ..	8,055,809	12	1
Other deposits—				
Not bearing interest	.. ..	11,556,212	12	0
Bearing interest	.. ..	7,157,547	8	7
Total average liabilities		£30,336,912	11	9

ASSETS.		£	s.	d.
Coined gold and silver and other coined metals	.. ..	3,362,748	1	6
Legal tender notes of other Banks	.. ..	477,814	6	10
Gold and silver in bullion or bars	.. ..	150,935	16	8
Notes and bills of other Banks	.. ..	167,914	2	9
Balances due from other Banks	.. ..	81,30	3	8

	£	s.	d.
Landed property	192,981	7	11
Amount of all other securities—			
1. Notes and bills discounted	884,453	7	2
2. Government securities (New Zealand or otherwise)	2,989,525	5	5
3. Other funded securities	.. ..	..	..
4. Debts due to the Bank (exclusive of debts abandoned as bad)	14,781,838	5	3
5. Securities not included under the above heads	535,567	16	3
Total average assets	£23,625,035	13	5

Amount of the capital stock paid up at the close of the quarter ended 31st March, 1919:—

- 4 per-cent. guaranteed stock, £529,988.
- "A" preference shares issued to the Crown under Bank of New Zealand Act, 1903, £500,000.
- "B" preference shares issued to the Crown under Bank of New Zealand Act, 1913, £250,000.
- Ordinary shares, £1,000,000.

Rate of the last dividend declared to the shareholders on—

- "A" preference shares, 10 per cent. per annum.
- "B" preference shares and ordinary shares (dividend 12 per cent. per annum, and bonus 3 per cent. per annum), 15 per cent. per annum.

Amount of the last dividend declared on—

- "A" preference shares, £50,000.
- "B" " " £37,500.
- Ordinary shares, £150,000.

(On the Guaranteed Stock £10,599, interest for six months, was paid on 1st November, 1918.)

Amount of the reserved profits at the time of declaring such dividend, £2,345,702.

Dated at Wellington this 9th day of April, 1919.

W. CALLENDER, General Manager.
A. McLENNAN, Accountant.

[NOTE.—The above are the figures for New Zealand only.]

STATEMENT of the average amount of Liabilities and Assets of the Bank of Australasia, in New Zealand, during the Quarter ended 31st March, 1919.

LIABILITIES.		£	s.	d.
Notes in circulation	.. ..	372,884	10	9
Bills in circulation	.. ..	18,818	11	2
Balances due to other Banks	.. ..	..	..	..
Government deposits	.. ..	..	..	..
Other deposits—				
Not bearing interest	.. ..	2,698,779	16	4
Bearing interest	.. ..	1,098,255	19	8
Total average liabilities		£4,188,738	17	11

ASSETS.		£	s.	d.
Coined gold and silver and other coined metals	.. ..	975,173	10	11
Legal tender notes of other Banks	.. ..	222,332	10	11
Gold and silver in bullion or bars	.. ..	..	..	..
Notes and bills of other Banks	.. ..	79,833	6	6
Balances due from other Banks	.. ..	..	..	..
Landed property	.. ..	4,104	0	8
Amount of all other securities—				
1. Notes and bills discounted	.. ..	144,656	9	9
2. Colonial Government securities	.. ..	119,532	17	8
3. Other funded securities	.. ..	..	..	..
4. Debts due to the Bank (exclusive of debts abandoned as bad)	.. ..	3,465,714	6	3
5. Securities not included under the above heads	.. ..	10,472	3	2
Total average assets		£5,021,819	5	10

Amount of the capital stock paid up at this date, £2,000,000.

Rate of the last dividend declared to the shareholders, 14 per cent. per annum and bonus 12s. per share, equal to 17 per cent. per annum.

Amount of the last dividend declared, £170,000.

Amount of the reserved profits at the time of declaring such dividend, £3,127,000.

Dated at Wellington this 8th day of April, 1919.

ROBT. R. SMITH, Inspector.
O. K. TENNENT, Accountant.