in the week in which the Mid-winter Show is held, when, subject, however, to the closing at not later than I p.m. for the statutory half-holiday, there shall be no fixed closinghour; (5) should the occupier of any shop affected by this requisition observe, pursuant to section 18 (b) of the Shops and Offices Act, 1908, Friday as the statutory closing-day in any week, then and in such case the closing-hour on Thursday for any such shop in that week shall be 9 p.m.:

And whereas the Dunedin City Council has certified that the signatures to such requisition represent a majority of the occupiers of all the tobacconists' shops within the City

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 7th day of August, 1919, all the tobacconists' shops in the City of Dunedin shall be closed accordingly.

All existing notices fixing closing hours of tobacconists' shops in the City of Dunedin are hereby cancelled, in so far as they relate to the closing hours of tobacconists' shops, as

from the date of coming into operation of this notice.

Dated at Wellington this 30th day of July, 1919.

W. H. HERRIES Acting Minister of Labour.

Notice fixing the Closing-hours of Hairdressers' and Tobaccomists Shops in the Borough of Newmarket, under the Shops and Offices Act, 1908.

HEREAS 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 Newmarket, 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 Thursdays at 6,30 p.m., on Fridays at 8 p.m., and on Saturdays at 9 p.m., with the following exceptions—(1) the working-day immediately preceding Boxing Day, Good Friday, Easter Monday, Labour Day, the birthday of the reigning Sovereign, and any day which, pursuant to Proclamation by the Governor or declaration by the Government, or on the request of the Mayor or Chairman of the local authority, is generally observed as a public holiday, when the closing-hour shall be 8 p.m.; (2) the working-day immediately preceding New Year's Day, when the closing-hour shall be 10 p.m.; (3) should the occupier of any shop affected by this requisition observe Saturday as the statutory closing-day in any week, then and in such case the closing-hour on Friday for any such shop in that week shall be 9 p.m. and on Thursday shall be 8 p.m.; (4) should the occupier of any shop affected by this requisition observe, pursuant to section 18 (b) of the Shops and Offices Act, 1908, Friday as the statutory closing-day in any week, then and in such case the closing-hour on Thursday for any such shop in that week shall be 8 p.m.:

And whereas the Newmarket 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 Newmarket:

Now, therefore, I, William Herbert Herries, Acting Minister

Newmarket:

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 7th day of August, 1919, all the shops in each of the trades of (1) hairdresser and (2) tobacconist in the Borough of Newmarket shall be closed accordingly.

Dated at Wellington this 30th day of July, 1919.

W. H. HERRIES, Acting Minister of Labour.

Promotion of Officers of the N.Z. Staff Corps and the Regiment of Royal N.Z. Artillery.

Department of Defence, Wellington, 28th July, 1919. HIS Excellency the Governor-General has been pleased to approve of the promotions of the undermentioned officers of the N.Z. Staff Corps and the Regiment of Royal N.Z. Artillery. Dated 1st August, 1919.

N.Z. STAFF CORPS.

The undermentioned to be Lieutenant-Colonels:-Major Raynor Barrington Smythe, D.S.O., p.s.c. Major (temp. Lieutenant-Colonel) James Henry Whyte, D.S.O., D.C.M.
Major James Edgecumbe Barton.
Major William Leo Robinson.

The undermentioned to be Majors:-

Captain William Livingstone Hatchwell Burgess, C.B., C.M.G., D.S.O. Captain Duncan Barrie Blair, D.S.O., M.C.

Captain Henry Esau Avery, D.S.O. Captain Stephen Charles Phillips Nicholls, D.S.O.

The undermentioned to be Captains:—
Lieutenant (temp. Captain) William Moody Bell.
Lieutenant William Ivan Kirke Jennings, D.S.O. Lieutenant Daniel Eric Bremner, M.C.

ieutenant Otira Opie is granted the temporary rank of Captain until further notice.

THE REGIMENT OF ROYAL N.Z. ARTILLERY. Captain (temp. Major) Francis Gustavus Hume to be Major. Lieutenant Reginald Miles, D.S.O., M.C., to be Captain.

> J. ALLEN. Minister of Defence.

War Regulations Act, 1914.—Appointment of Military Authorities.

> Office of the Minister of Defence, Wellington, 25th July, 1919.

JAMES ALLEN, Minister of Defence for the Dominion JAMES ALLEN, Minister of Defence for the Dominion of New Zealand, in pursuance of the authority conferred upon me by the Order in Council made on the 10th day of November, 1914, and published in the New Zealand Gazette on the same day, do hereby appoint the following military officers as Military Authorities for the purpose of the regulations made by the said Order in Council; and I declare that each of the Military Authorities so appointed shall exercise jurisdiction and authority as such throughout New Zealand:—

Lieut.-Colonel (temp. Colonel) Thomas William Mc-Donald, New Zealand Staff Corps. Lieut. Colonel (temp. Colonel) HARRY ROWLAND POTTER, C.M.G., New Zealand Staff Corps.

J. ALLEN, Minister of Defence, I

Plants declared to be Noxious Weeds by the Waimairi County Council.-Notice No. 1968.

Department of Agriculture, Industries, and Commerce, Wellington, 24th July, 1919.

T is hereby notified for public information that the Waimairi County Council has, by special order, declared

Lupin (Lupinus luteus), Broom (Cytisus scoparius), Gorse (Ulex europaus), and Elderberry (Sambucus niger)

to be noxious weeds within the meaning of the Noxious eeds Act, 1908, in the district under its jurisdiction.

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

Plants declared to be Noxious Weeds by the Kawhia County Council.—Notice No. 1971.

> Department of Agriculture, Industries, and Commerce, Wellington, 28th July, 1919.

T is hereby notified for public information that the Kawhia County Council has, by special order, declared

Foxglove (Digitalis purpurea),

Gorse (Ulex europœus), Ox-eye daisy (Chrysanthemum leucanthemum),

St. John's wort (Hypericum perforatum or H. humifusum),

Tutsan (Hypericum androsæmum), and Winged thistle (Carduus pycnocephalus)

be noxious weeds 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.