

conditions under which an officer is working, or where an officer in the discharge of his duties and through no fault of his own sustains injuries of such a nature as to incapacitate him from duty.

If any officer is absent from duty on account of illness, and such absence has extended beyond three months, he shall not be permitted to return to duty until some medical practitioner approved by the Commissioner has certified that he is fit to resume work.

When extended leave is granted other than on full pay the rate paid for Sundays and holidays shall be the same as that allowed for the period of leave.

Sick-leave allowed, whether by the Permanent Head or by the Commissioner, under this regulation may be granted in one or more periods, but the aggregate amount of leave above stated is intended to cover the whole of the period of an officer's service.

Regulation 11 is hereby revoked, and the following substituted in lieu thereof:—

11. Where possible employees shall receive the following holidays, or any days specially authorized by the Governor-General in Council instead thereof:—

25th and 26th December.

1st January.

Good Friday to Easter Monday (inclusive).

Labour Day.

King's Birthday.

Anzac Day.

Employees who cannot be granted such holidays may be granted equivalent time, provided it is taken within one month of the holiday; or, if this is not possible, then overtime at the rate of time and a half may be allowed for the actual time worked. Double pay will be allowed for working on a Sunday, New Year's Day, Good Friday, or Christmas Day.

Regulation 12 is hereby revoked, and the following substituted in lieu thereof:—

12. The permanent staff may be granted leave of absence for recreation on the following scale:—

Two weeks at Christmas time (all public holidays occurring during that period to be included therein), and six working-days at such other period during the year as shall be arranged by the Permanent Head.

The granting of such leave of absence shall be subject to the express conditions that the total sick-leave taken by the employee during the previous twelve months has not exceeded twelve working-days, and that his duties have been satisfactorily performed. All the days of absence in excess of the number of days allowed for sick-leave shall be deducted from the annual leave of absence granted for recreation; but in special cases the Commissioner may, on the recommendation of the Permanent Head, grant further leave.

Regulation 19 is hereby revoked, and the following substituted in lieu thereof:—

19. The Government Printer may at any time grant an officer leave of absence without pay for any period not exceeding one week if in his opinion there are special circumstances justifying such a course. The granting of such leave shall be reported to the Commissioner. Where more than one week's leave is desired, application shall be made through the Government Printer to the Commissioner.

As witness my hand this 25th day of November, 1921.

W. R. MORRIS,  
Public Service Commissioner.

In pursuance of the provisions of the Public Service Act, 1912 His Excellency the Governor-General of the Dominion of New Zealand, with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of the said Dominion, approves the foregoing regulations.

JELLCOE, Governor-General.

Approved in Council this 5th day of December, 1921.

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