Rural Delivery-boxes.—Regulations and Fees.

JELLICOE, Governor-General. ORDER IN COUNCIL

At the Government Buildings at Wellington, this 1st day of May, 1922.

Present:
The Right Honourable W. F. Massey, P.C., presiding in Council.

IN pursuance and exercise of the power and authority vested in him by section eleven of the Post and Telegraph Act, 1908, 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, dath barby publishes the expectation and prescribe the feet doth hereby make the regulations and prescribe the fees set forth in the Schedule hereto for the transmission and delivery of postal packets into, and the collection from, rural delivery-boxes by an authorized carrier; and doth declare that such regulations shall have effect from the first day of January, one thousand nine hundred and twenty-two.

SCHEDULE.

RURAL DELIVERY REGULATIONS AND FEES.

1. A RURAL delivery is the delivery into and collection of correspondence from an authorized rural delivery-box erected along a route approved by the Postmaster-General.

2. The Post and Telegraph Department shall undertake the delivery and collection of mail-matter to and from persons residing in rural districts, and may reserve the right to refuse to deliver to any box on a mail-route where the disposal of correspondence at such box would materially interfere with

correspondence at such box would materially interfere with the time-table for the route.

3. A settler shall provide and erect a box of standard type, which will be supplied by the Department at cost price, on the roadside, and place it in such a manner that it may be reached by the carrier without dismounting from his vehicle or horse. No delivery of correspondence will be made to other than standard boxes so placed; provided that the Postmaster-General may approve the retention of any box in use at the date of commencement of these regulations. in use at the date of commencement of these regulations.

4. Each box must have conspicuously stencilled upon it the name of the box holder or owner.

5. Any person living off the line of travel of a rural mail-carrier may purchase and erect a rural mail-box at a cross-road or other point on the carrier's route for the reception of matter addressed to him or sent by him, as the case may be, but no delivery shall be made thereto until the prescribed delivery fee is paid.

6. All mail-matter deposited in a box for collection by

6. All mail-matter deposited in a box for collection by the carrier must be fully prepaid.
7. Each rural mail-route will be designated by a name, and box-holders will be required to have correspondence addressed to that particular route, thus:— James Jones, Rural Route

Rural Route P.O.

8. No person who resides within the postman's delivery limits of a town where such a delivery is in operation, or who resides within half a mile of any post-office, shall be eligible to purchase and erect a rural mail-box.

9. Unless the circumstances are exceptional, no rural delivery shall be established unless there is an average of four families to be served for each mile covered, and in the case of a route less than ten miles in leavent, the average

four families to be served for each mile covered, and in the case of a route less than ten miles in length the average number of families to the mile must be not less than six.

10. No rural mail-box can be held in the joint names of a number of persons, unless it is known that the applicants are in business partnership. Private persons are not permitted to join in renting a rural mail-box. Subject to the above restrictions, any person to whom exception is not taken by the Postmaster-General, and who is willing to pay the appointed fee, may have a rural mail-box. Not more than one family shall use the same box but quests and emthan one family shall use the same box, but guests and em ployees of any such family shall be entitled to have their correspondence placed therein without any additional fee.

11. No rural mail-route shall be extended to include delivery to any person whose residence is within one mile of a rural mail-route, and no rural mail-delivery shall be established except where the route is maintained in good condition, is unobstructed by gates (unless they are made to open automatically), and is open for traffic throughout the

12. Except in special circumstances, no rural mail-route shall be arranged over which the carrier will be required to retrace, or travel over, the same road twice in the same day.

13. The fee payable to enable any person to participate in a rural delivery shall be £1 per annum for a service having

a frequency greater than thrice weekly, and 10s, per annum for a service having a frequency of thrice weekly or less.

14. The fee shall be payable annually in advance, and once paid shall not be returned; but a fresh fee shall not be required in the same year from any settler to whom a rural mail-box has been transferred.

15. Mail-matter addressed to a person residing on a rural mail-route for rural delivery shall not be delivered loose. Such person must erect a standard box and pay the prescribed

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

Revoking the Prohibition of the Importation into New Zealand of Spirits of less than a certain Strength.

JELLICOE, Governor-General. ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government Buildings at Wellington, this 1st day of May, 1922.

Present:

THE RIGHT HONOURABLE W. F. MASSEY, P.C., PRESIDING IN COUNCIL.

I N pursuance and exercise of the powers and authorities conferred upon him by section forty-six of the Customs Act, 1913, and of all other powers and authorities 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 revoke the Order in Council made on the eighteen, and gazetted on the eighteenth day of April then instant, which prohibited the importation into New Zealand of any brandy, whisky, or rum of a less strength than twenty-five degrees under proof.

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

Withdrawing Land from the Operation of the Kauri-gum Industry Act, 1908.

JELLICOE, Governor-General. ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government Buildings at Wellington, this 1st day of May, 1922.

Present:

THE RIGHT HONOURABLE W. F. MASSEY, P.C., PRESIDING IN COUNCIL.

W HEREAS by section forty-six of the Land Laws Amendment Act, 1913, it is enacted that the Governor-General may, by Order in Council gazetted, on the recommendation of the Land Board, declare that any land comprised in a kauri-gum reserve shall, from a date to be specified in the Order, cease to be subject to the Kauri-gum Industry Act, 1908, and on any after the date so specified Industry Act, 1908, and on and after the date so specified the land to which the Order relates shall come subject to

the provisions of the Land Act, 1908:

And whereas the Land Board of the North Auckland Land
District has duly passed a resolution recommending that
the portion of Ruatangata No. 3 Kauri-gum Reserve and
portion of Purua Kauri-gum Reserve Extension described in the Schedule hereto be excepted from the operations of the Kauri-gum Industry Act, 1908, and it is expedient to give effect to such recommendation:

Now, therefore, I, John Rushworth, Viscount Jellicoe, Governor-General of the Dominion of New Zealand, in pursuance and exercise of the power and authority conferred upon me by section forty-six of the Land Laws Amendment Act, 1913, and acting by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of the said Dominion, doth hereby order and declare that the portion of Ruatangata No. 3 Kauri-gum Reserve and portion of Purua Kauri-gum Reserve Extension described in the Schedule hereto shall, from the thirteenth day of April, one thousand nine hundred and twenty-two, cease to be subject to the Kauri-gum Industry Act, 1908.

SCHEDULE.

ALL that area in the North Auckland Land District, containing by admeasurement 3 roods 4 perches, more or less, taining by admeasurement 3 roots 4 perches, more or less, situated in Block II, Purus Survey District, Whangarei County, being part of Section N.E. 113, Ruatangata Parish, the said Section N.E. 113 being part of the Ruatangata No. 3 Kauri-gum Reserve, set apart by Order in Council dated 25th September, 1899, and published in the New Zealand Gazette No. 79, of the 28th September, 1899. Bounded towards the south generally by the other part of the aforesaid