Regulations under the Weights and Measures Acts.

JELLICOE, Governor-General. ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government Buildings at Wellington, this 9th day of March, 1923.

Present:

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

In pursuance and exercise of the powers conferred on him by the Weights and Measures Act, 1908, and the Weights and Measures Amendment Act, 1922 (hereinafter referred to as "the said Acts"), 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 regulations under the Weights and Measures Act, 1908, dated the eleventh day of October, one thousand nine hundred and fifteen, and published in the Gazette of the fourteenth day of the same month; and, with the like advice and consent, doth hereby make the following regulations for the purposes of the said Acts; and doth hereby declare that the said regulations shall come into force on the first day of April, one thousand nine hundred and twenty-three.

REGULATIONS.

VERIFICATION AND STAMPING OF WEIGHTS, WEIGHING-MACHINES, MEASURES, ETC.

1. An Inspector may require the person presenting a weighing-machine or measuring-instrument for verification to take such machine or instrument sufficiently apart to enable an inspection of all working-parts to be made, and until such request is complied with may refuse to verify such machine or instrument; or may, with the consent of such person, take such machine or instrument apart without liability for damage resulting thereto.

2. When a weighing-machine is situated in a position exposed to wind or other disturbing influence, or put to a use the nature of which is likely seriously to affect its accuracy, an Inspector may refuse to stamp such machine until it is suitably enclosed or protected, or such other steps have been taken as he deems necessary to prevent inaccuracy.

3. When any weight, measure, machine, or instrument submitted for verification has been approved by an Inspector he shall—

(a.) Unless the small size of the article renders it impracticable, impress thereon a verification stamp:

(b.) Where practicable, also impress thereon the date of such verification:

(c.) Impress on each loose proportional weight belonging to any weighing-machine a verification stamp and the date of such verification;

Provided that if the impression on a loose proportional weight of both a verification and date stamp is impracticable, the latter shall take precedence:

Provided further that when a weight, measure, machine, or instrument submitted for reverification bears a legible verification stamp, an Inspector may at his discretion impress thereon only the date of such reverification.

4. An Inspector shall not—

- (a.) Stamp any weight or measure which is not of a denomination allowed by the said Acts:
- (b.) Stamp any weight, measure, measuring-instrument, or weighing-machine which—

(i.) Is of such type, material, or construction as would in his opinion, in use for trade, facilitate fraud;

(ii.) Is not in his opinion sufficiently strong to withstand the wear-and-tear of ordinary use in trade, or is much damaged;

(iii.) Is not complete in itself;

- (iv.) Is denominated or has its capacity marked otherwise than is prescribed by these regulations;
- (v.) Bears a manufacturer's or other mark which may be mistaken for a verification stamp;