Notice under the Shops and Offices Act, 1921-22, fixing the Closing-hours of (1) Drapers', (2) Clothiers' and Mercers,' and (3) House-furnishers' Shops in the Borough of Thames.

WHEREAS a requisition in writing, signed by a majority of the occupiers of all the shops in each of the trades of (1) draper, (2) clothier and mercer, and (3) housefurnisher in the Borough of Thames, has been forwarded to me, desiring that all such shops in the borough be closed in the evening of working-days as follows: On Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays at 5.30 p.m., and on Fridays at 9 p.m.:

And whereas I, George James Anderson, Minister of Labour, am satisfied that the signatures to such requisition represent a majority of the occupiers of all the shops in each of the trades of (1) draper, (2) clothier and mercer, and (3) house-furnisher in the Borough of Thames:

Now, therefore, in pursuance of section 32 of the Shops and Offices Act, 1921-22, I do hereby direct that on and after the 7th day of May, 1923, all the shops in each of the trades of (1) draper, (2) clothier and mercer, and (3) house-furnisher in the Borough of Thames shall be closed accordingly.

Dated at Wellington this 24th day of April, 1923.

G. JAS. ANDERSON, Minister of Labour.

Fees for Measurements, Inspections. and Surveys under the Shipping and Seamen Act, 1908.

In pursuance of the power and authority conferred upon me by the Shipping and Seamen Act, 1908, I, George James Anderson, the Minister of Marine, do hereby fix, direct, and determine that in lieu of the fees heretofore prescribed in respect of the same matters the fees set forth in the Schedule hereto shall, on and after the date of the publication hereof in the New Zealand Gazette, be paid in respect of the several matters set forth in the said Schedule.

SCHEDULE.

(a.) MEASUREMENT OF TONNAGE.

FEES for this duty are chargeable in accordance with the following scale and regulations:—

			£	s.	d.	
Under 50 tons (register tonnage)		2	0	0	
50 to 100 t	ons (register tonnage)		2	10	0	
100 to 200	,, ,,		3	0	0	
200 to 500	,, ,,		4	0	0	
500 to 800	,, ,,		5	0	0	
800 to 1,200	,, ,,		6	0	0	
1,200 to 2,000	,, ,,		7	0	0	
2,000 to 3,000	,, ,,		- 8	0	0	
3,000 to 4,000	,, ,,		9	0	0	
4,000 to 5,000	,, ,,		10	0	0	
5,000 to 6,000	,, ,,		12	0	0	
And so on for sl	nips of larger tonnage, a	dding	2	0	0	
for every 1,00	00 tons above 6,000					

1. The fees are to be charged on the gross register tonnage of the vessels measured.

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2. In the case of vessels measured under Rule II of the Merchant Shipping Act, 1894 (Imperial), the fee to be charged will be one-fourth of the fee applicable to the case in the above scale; but not less than £1 is to be charged in any case. When a vessel previously measured under Rule II is remeasured under Rule II the fee to be charged is to be such as will make up, with the sum previously paid for measurement under Rule II, the full fee applicable to the case in the above scale.

3. In the case of alterations in a space or spaces on the upper deck or engine-room, the fee to be charged will be one-fifth of the fee in the above scale, according to the tonnage of the vessel; but not less than £1 is to be charged in any case.

A fee of £1 is to be charged in all cases of minor inspections (e.g., alteration of rig, port of registry, description of engines,

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4. The fee paid in accordance with the above scale will cover any number of visits that the Surveyor may find it necessary to make before he is able to fill up the formula of tennage and grant his certificate to enable a vessel to obtain registry. It will also cover the inspection of crew-spaces and lights and fog-signals if the Surveyor is able to make these inspections on the occasion on which the measurement is performed, but not otherwise. For any further visits necessary for inspection or completion of inspection of crew-spaces and lights and fog-signals, further fees in accordance with the scale below (b) and (c) will be charged.

(b.) Inspection of the Berthing or Sleeping Accommodation of the Crew.

For each visit of a Surveyor to the ship: £1.

The aggregate amount of fees chargeable under this heading for any such inspection is not to exceed £3, whatever be the number of separate visits

When the accommodation is inspected at the same time with the measurement of the tonnage, the fee for the inspection of the accommodation shall be £1.

When lights and fog-signals are inspected on the same occasion as crew-spaces the above fee covers the inspection of the lights and fog-signals. If, however, when the Surveyor is able to certify to the crew-spaces, further visits for the inspection or completion of inspection of lights and fog-signals are found to be necessary, fees in accordance with the scale below [Div. (c)] will be charged.

(c.) Inspection of Lights and Fog-signals.

For each visit by a Surveyor, either where application for inspection is made by the owner of a vessel, or when the lights or fittings are found to be defective (viz., not in accordance with Regulations for preventing Collisions at Sea): £1.

The first fee of £1 should be charged when the vessel is placed under detention, or when notice of intended detention for defective lights and fog-signals is given.

As witness my hand this 18th day of April, 1923.

G. JAS. ANDERSON, Minister of Marine.

Fees for Survey Certificates granted for Steamships and Sailing-ships.

IN pursuance and exercise of the power and authority conferred upon me by section 177 of the Shipping and Seamen Act, 1908, I, George James Anderson, Minister of Marine, do hereby direct that the fees specified in the Schedule hereto shall be charged in respect of survey certificates granted for steamships and sailing-ships respectively.

SCHEDULE.

	Fee payable for						
Register Tonnage of Ships.		Six Months' Certificate.			Twelve Months' Certificate.		
Vessels propelled by mechanical power other than steam, and not exceeding 20 tons register Steamships—	£	s. 10	d. 0	£		d. 0	
Not exceeding 20 tons register	2	0	0	4	0	0	
Exceeding 20 but not exceeding 60 tons register	4	0	0	7	0	0	
Exceeding 60 but not exceeding 100 tons register	5	0	0	9	0	0	
Exceeding 100 but not exceeding 300 tons register	7	0	0	13	0	0	
Exceeding 300 but not exceeding 600 tons register	9	0	0	16	0	0	
For every additional 300 tons register, an addition of	2	0	0	4	0	0	
Maximum fee in any case Sailing-ships—	20	0	0	40	0	0	
Not exceeding 20 tons register	2	0	0	3	0	0	
Exceeding 20 but not exceeding 60 tons register	3	0	0	4	0	0	
Exceeding 60 but not exceeding 100 tons register	4	0	0	6	0	0	
Exceeding 100 but not exceeding 200 tons register	5	0	0	7	10	0	
Exceeding 200 but not exceeding 300 tons register	6	0	0	9	0	0	
Exceeding 300 but not exceeding 400 tons register	7	0	0	10	0	0	
Exceeding 400 but not exceeding 500 tons register	8	0	0	12	0	0	
Exceeding 500 but not exceeding 600 tons register	9	0	0	13	10	0	
For every additional 300 tons register, an addition of	1	0	0	2	. 0	0	
Maximum fee in any case	12	0	0	20	0	0	

As witness my hand this 18th day of April, 1923.

G. JAS. ANDERSON, Minister of Marine.