number of votes recorded for the proposal was 445, and the number of votes recorded against the proposal was 116. I therefore declare that the proposal was carried.

Dated this 19th day of May, 1923.

THOS. HOBSON, Mayor.

Appointment of Customs Examining-place.

Customs Department,
Wellington, 31st May, 1923.
WILLIAM DOWNIE STEWART, Minister of Customs, 1, in exercise of the powers vested in me for this purpose by the Customs Act, 1913, do by this warrant appoint the undermentioned wharf-shed to be a place for the examination by the Customs of goods subject to the control of the Customs at the port of Wellington.

## SCHEDULE.

Situation: Breastwork opposite Glasgow Wharf. Description: Wharf-shed numbered 27.

WM. DOWNIE STEWART, Minister of Customs.

Special Order made by the Otorohanga County Council declaring Ox-eye Daisy to be a Noxious Weed.—Notice No. Ag.

Department of Agriculture, Wellington, 31st May, 1923.

THE following special order, made by the Otorohanga County Council, is published in accordance with the provisions of section 2 of the Noxious Weeds Amendment Act, 1910.

W. NOSWORTHY, Minister of Agriculture.

OTOROHANGA COUNTY COUNCIL

Special Order in re Noxious Weeds.

In pursuance and exercise of the powers vested in it by the Counties Act, 1908, and the Noxious Weeds Act, 1908, the Otorohanga County Council hereby resolves and declares by way of special order that ox-eye daisy (being a plant mentioned in the Third Schedule of the said Act as extended from time to time by the Governor-General in Council) be and is hereby declared to be a noxious weed in the County of Otorohanga within the meaning of the Noxious

Weeds Act, 1908.

The common seal of the Chairman, Councillors, and Inhabitants of the County of Otorohanga was hereto affixed in the presence of

H. A. LURMAN, Chairman.

The above special order was adopted at a special meeting of the Otorohanga County Council held on the 17th day of April, 1923, and confirmed at an ordinary meeting of the said Council held on Wednesday, 23rd day of May, 1923.

H. A. LURMAN, Chairman,

Trustees of Puketoi Rabbit District elected .-- Notice No. Ag. 2270.

Department of Agriculture,

Wellington, 5th June, 1923.

OTICE has been received under the hand of the Returning Officer of the Puketoi Rabbit District, constituted under Part III of the Rabbit Nuisance Act, 1908, that

> Stephen Edward Whitta, Gordon Chatfield. John Lankey, Harold Thomas, and Edward William Clemens

have been duly elected trustees of the said district.

W. NOSWORTHY, Minister of Agriculture.

Notice of Intention to take Land in Block VIII, Paekakariki Survey District, for the Purposes of a Post-office.

OTICE is hereby given that it is proposed, under the provisions of the Public Works Act, 1908, to execute a certain public work—to wit, the construction of a post-office in Block VIII, Paekakariki Survey District; and for the purposes of such public work the land described in the Schedule hereto is required to be taken. And notice is hereby further given that the plan of the land so required to be

£25,000, for the purpose of making streets and footpaths, the | taken is deposited in the post-office at Plimmerton, and is taken is deposited in the post-office at Plinmerton, and is there open for inspection; and that all persons affected by the execution of the said public work or by the taking of the said land should, if they have any well-grounded objections to the execution of the said public work or to the taking of such land, set forth the same in writing, and send such writing, within forty days from the first publication of this notice, to the Minister of Public Works at Wellington.

## SCHEDULE.

Approximate area of the piece of land required to be taken:

35.3 perches.
Being Lot 3 on D.P. 407, Township of Plimmerton, Block VIII, Paekakariki Survey District (Taupo No. 1 R.D.). (S.O. 1772.)

In the Wellington Land District; as the same is more particularly delineated on the plan marked P.W.D. 56853, deposited in the office of the Minister of Public Works at Wellington, in the Wellington Land District, and thereon bordered red.

As witness my hand, at Wellington, this 31st day of May, 1923.

J. G. COATES, Minister of Public Works.

Notice under the Shops and Offices Act, 1921-22, fiving the Closing-hours of Sporting-goods Dealers' Shops in the Borough of Rotorua.

WHEREAS a requisition in writing, signed by a majority WHEREAS a requisition in writing, signed by a majority of the occupiers of all the sporting-goods dealers' shops in the Borough of Rotorua, 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, Thursdays, Fridays, and Saturdays at 9 p.m., with the following exceptions—(1) during the months of June, July, August, September, and October the closing-hour on Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Fridays shall be 6 p.m.; (2) where the occupier of a shop, pursuant to section 14 of the Shops and Offices Act, 1921–22, observes the statutory half-holiday on Saturday, the closing-hour for such shop during the months on Saturday, the closing-hour for such shop during the months of June, July, August, September, and October shall be 6 p.m. on Wednesdays and 9 p.m. on Fridays; and (3) on the working-day that first precedes Christmas Day and the working-day that first precedes New Year's Day the closing-hour shall be 11 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 sporting goods dealers' shops within the Borough of Rotorua:

Now, therefore, in pursuance of section 32 of the Shops and Offices Act. 1921–22, I do hereby direct that on and after the 18th day of June, 1923, all the sporting-goods dealers' shops within the Borough of Rotorua shall be closed accordingly. The notice published in the New Zealand Gazette of the 20th

October, 1921, fixing the closing-hours of sporting-goods dealers' shops in the Borough of Rotorua is hereby cancelled as from the date of the coming into operation of this notice, Dated at Wellington this 6th day of June, 1923.

G. JAS. ANDERSON, Minister of Labour.

Election of Member of Gisborne Land Board.—Result of Poll.

VINCENT IGNATIUS BLAKE, Returning Officer for the election of a member to the Gisborne Land Board, do hereby notify, in accordance with section 41 of the Land Act, 1908, and regulations thereunder, the result of the poll taken by me on the 28th day of May, 1923, for the election of a member of the Gisborne Land Board to be as follows:—

	Valid Votes recorded.
Donovan, George Oswald	 90
Jackson, Richard Fearon	 69
Poynter, James Benjamin	 47
Trafford, Margrave Thomas	 84
	290

Rejected as informal ...

And I do hereby certify that George Oswald Donovan, having received the greatest number of valid votes, is duly elected a member of the Gisborne Land Board.

Dated at Gisborne this 29th day of May, 1923.

VINCENT I. BLAKE, Returning Officer.