hundred and twenty-five pounds under the authority of section eighteen of the Local Bodies' Loans Act, 1913:

And whereas the Minister of Finance has given his precedent consent as required by the above-recited section eleven,

and it is desired that the term for which the said sum of one hundred and twenty-five pounds may be borrowed be thirty-four years, and the rate of interest payable thereon be not

four years, and the rate of interest payable thereon be not exceeding six per centum per annum:

Now, therefore, His Excellency the Governor-General of the Dominion of New Zealand, in pursuance and exercise of the power and authority vested in him as aforesaid, and acting by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of the said Dominion, doth hereby prescribe that the term for which the Manukau County Council may borrow the said sum of one hundred and twenty-five pounds shall be thirty-four years, and the rate of interest payable thereon shall be a rate not exceeding six per centum per annum, and the said Manukau County Council is hereby authorized to borrow the said sum of one hundred and twenty-five pounds accordingly.

C. A. JEFFERY, Acting Clerk of the Executive Council.

Prescribing the Rate of Interest that may be paid by the Piako County Council in respect of a Loan of £14,000 authorized to be raised for metalling Roads in the Ngarua Special Rating

JELLICOE, Governor-General.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government House at Wellington, this 3rd day of September, 1923.

Present:

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL IN COUNCIL.

WHEREAS section eleven of the Finance Act, 1921, as Whereas section eleven of the Finance Act, 1921, as amended by section six of the Local Bodies' Loans Amendment Act, 1921, provides that, notwithstanding anything to the contrary in any Act or in any rule of law, where a local authority or public body has been authorized before the passing of the said Act, or is thereafter authorized, to borrow money, whether pursuant to a poll of ratepayers or otherwise howsoever, whether the rate of interest or the term of years of the loan was or was not specified or determined, and such money or any part thereof has not been borrowed, the local authority may, with the precedent consent of the Minister of Finance, borrow such money, or such amount thereof as has not been borrowed, at such rate of

amount thereof as has not been borrowed, at such rate of interest, or for such term not less than ten years, as may be prescribed by the Governor-General by Order in Council:

And whereas the Piako County Council is authorized to borrow the sum of fourteen thousand pounds for metalling roads in the Ngarua Special Rating Area:

And whereas the Minister of Finance has given his precedent consent as required by the above-recited section eleven, and it is desired that the rate of interest at which the money may be borrowed be not exceeding five and three-quarters per centum per annum:

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Now, therefore, His Excellency the Governor-General of
the Dominion of New Zealand, in pursuance and exercise of
the power and authority vested in him as aforesaid, and acting by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of the said Dominion, doth hereby prescribe that the rate of interest that may be paid by the Piako County Council in respect of the said loan of fourteen thousand pounds shall be a rate not exceeding five and three-quarters per centum per annum, and the said Piako County Council is hereby authorized to borrow the said sum of fourteen thousand pounds accordingly.

C. A. JEFFERY, Acting Clerk of the Executive Council.

The British and Intercolonial Exhibition, 1923, to be held at Hokitika.

JELLICOE, Governor-General.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government House at Wellington, this 3rd day of September, 1923.

Present:

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL IN COUNCIL.

WHEREAS it is desired to hold a public exhibition of works of industry and art at Hokitika, to be called and known as "the British and Intercolonial Exhibition, 1923": And whereas application has been made to this Excellency the Governor-General to authorize the holding of

Now, therefore, in pursuance and exercise of the powers and authorities vested in him by the Exhibitions Act, 1910, 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 the Executive Council of the said Dominion, doth hereby authorize the holding of the said proposed exhibition under the name of the British and Intercolonial Exhibition, 1923, to commence on the fifteenth day of December, one thousand nine hundred and twenty-three, and to extend up to and including the second day of February, one thousand nine hundred and twenty-four; and His Excellency the Governor-General doth declare the said exhibition to be an exhibition within the meaning of the Exhibitions Act, 1910.

And, in further pursuance of the powers and authorities vested in him as aforesaid, His Excellency the Governor-General doth hereby set apart temporarily the land with the buildings thereon described in the Schedule hereto (the consent of the Hokitika Borough Council, New Zealand Government Defence Department, and the Bank of New Zealand having already been obtained) for the purpose of such exhibition.

And His Excellency the Governor-General doth hereby

appoint

Aitken, Alexander, Butler, William James, Davidson, George, Jeffries, William, Michel, Henry Leslie,

Perham, Richard Frederick, Perry, George Albert, Teichelmann, Ebenezer, Wild, Richard, Wilson, William,

all of Hokitika, to be Exhibition Commissioners under the style of "The British and Intercolonial Exhibition (1923) Commissioners," for the said purpose of the said exhibition; and doth hereby appoint the said William James Butler to be President of such Commissioners; and doth hereby direct that the said Commissioners shall have exclusive control of the said land and buildings hereby set apart so long as may be necessary for the purposes of the said exhibition.

SCHEDULE.

ALL that area of land in the Town of Hokitika of which the following is a description: All that land containing an area, more or less, of 1 acre 3 roods 6 perches, being the whole of the Hokitika Municipal Reserve No. 725, 100 ft. of the eastern portion of Section 1705, the northern portion of Camp Street for a width of 50 ft. from Revell Street to Tancred Street, portion of Tancred Street 40 ft. wide by 105 ft. long from Camp Street North, Town of Hokitika.

C. A. JEFFERY, Acting Clerk of the Executive Council.

Validating Proceedings in connection with Proposed Loan of £10,000 for Road-metalling Purposes by Matamata County Council.

JELLICOE, Governor-General. ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government House at Wellington, this 3rd day of September, 1923

Present:

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL IN COUNCIL.

WHEREAS the Matamata County Council lately proceeded to raise a loan of ten thousand pounds, under the provisions of the Local Bodies' Loans Act, 1913 (hereinafter referred to as "the said Act"), for the metalling of roads within the Putaruru Riding and Part Tokoroa Riding Roads Special Area:

And whereas the proceedings in connection with the said section ten of the said Act setting forth the day on which the said act setting forth the day on which the poll was to be taken was published only three times instead of four times, as required by that section:

And whereas it appears that the ratepayers of the district have not been misled by such irregularity as aforesaid, and it is considered.

it is expedient to validate the same:

Now, therefore, His Excellency the Governor-General of
the Dominion of New Zealand, in pursuance of the powers conferred on him by section one hundred and eleven of the said Act, and acting by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of the said Dominion, doth hereby order and declare that the proceedings in connection with the said loan shall be valid to all intents and purposes as though the provisions of the said section ten had been correctly complied with, and that the validity of the proceedings in connection with the said loan shall not be called in question by reason only of the irregularity aforesaid.

C. A. JEFFERY, Acting Clerk of the Executive Council.