Validating the Proceedings in connection with a Loan of £750 authorized to be raised by the Council of the County of Stratford.

JELLICOE, Governor-General. ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government House at Wellington, this 1st day of October, 1923.

Present:

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL IN COUNCIL

WHEREAS the Stratford County Council, acting under and in pursuance of paragraph (e) of section sixteen of the Local Bodies' Loans Act, 1913, proposes to raise a loan of seven hundred and fifty pounds for the purpose of metalling Oruru Road and part of the Old East Road:

And whereas section seventeen of the said Act requires the special roll to be deposited not less than seven days before

any steps are taken under section sixteen (e):
And whereas the special roll of the ratepayers was not deposited not less than seven days before the written consent

of the ratepayers was obtained:

And whereas it appears that the ratepayers have not been misled by the said irregularity or defect, and it is expedient to validate the same:

Now, therefore, His Excellency the Governor-General of the Dominion of New Zealand, in pursuance and exercise of the powers and authorities conferred on him by section one hundred and eleven of the Local Bodies' Loans 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 proceedings taken to raise the said loan shall be valid to all intents and purposes as though the provisions of section seventeen had been properly complied with, and that the validity of the proceedings in connection with the said loan shall not be called into question by reason only of the irregularity or defect aforesaid.

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

Vesting a Reserve in the Whakatane Borough Council.

JELLICOE, Governor-General. ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government House at Wellington, this 1st day of October, 1923.

Present:

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL IN COUNCIL.

WHEREAS the land described in the Schedule hereto has been permanently reserved for reservoir purposes: And whereas it is expedient to vest the said reserve in the Mayor, Councillors, and Burgesses of the Borough

Now, therefore, 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, and in exercise of the powers and authorities conferred upon him by the fourth section of the Public Reserves and Domains Act, 1908, doth hereby declare that, from and after the day of the date hereof, the reserve described in the Schedule hereto shall become vested in the Mayor, Councillors, and Burgesses of the Borough of Whakatane, in trust, for reservoir purposes.

SCHEDULE.

AUCKLAND LAND DISTRICT.

SECTION 12, Block V, Rangitaiki Upper Survey District: Area, 86 acres 0 roods 11 perches.

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

Amending the Description of a Reserve in the North Auckland Land District.

JELLICOE, Governor-General.

WHEREAS by the three-hundred-and-twenty-fifth section of the Land Act, 1908, it is enacted that where there has been any error of description made in any notifica-tion of any intended reserve, or where there appears a great discrepancy in the area of any intended reserve after the same shall have been surveyed, the Governor-General may cancel any notification that may have been made in respect of such reserve, and issue fresh notification in respect thereof, with amended particulars and description:

And whereas an error was made in the description of the public buildings reserve in the Town of Russell, described in

the Schedule hereto, in the Warrants of the twenty-third day of October, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-one, and the twenty-sixth day of December, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-one, and published in Gazette No. 80, of the twenty-ninth day of October, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-one, and Gazette No. 98, of the thirty-first day of December, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-one, respectively, the same having been described as Lots 7, 8, 9, and 17, Section 5, Town of Russell; and it is expedient to cancel the said Warrants in so far as they relate to the land

Now, therefore, I, John Rushworth, Viscount Jellicoe, Governor-General of the Dominion of New Zealand, do hereby revoke the Warrants of the twenty-third day of October, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-one, and the thirty-first day of December, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-one, in so far as they relate to Lots 7, 8, 9, and 17, Section 5, Town of Russell, and do declare that the land described in the Schedule hereto shall be the land set apart for a public buildings reserve intended by the said Warrants.

SCHEDULE.

ALL that area in the North Auckland Land District, containing by admeasurement 2 roods, more or less, being Lots 7, 8, 17, and 18 of Block V, Town of Russell. Bounded, commencing at the southernmost corner of Lot 6, Block V, Town of Russell, towards the north generally by the said Lot 6 of Block V; towards the east by York Street; towards the south by portions of Lots 9 and 10, Block V, Town of Russell, as shown on a plan deposited in the office of the District Land Registrar at Auckland under No. 6572; towards the west by the Strand to the point of commencement. As the same is more particularly delineated on the plan marked L. and S. 22/3185, deposited in the Head Office, Department of Lands and Survey, at Wellington, and thereon bordered red. ALL that area in the North Auckland Land District, contain-

As witness the hand of His Excellency the Governor-General, this 27th day of September, 1923.

RICHD. F. BOLLARD, For Minister of Lands.

Opening Lands in the Auckland Land District for Sale or Selection.

JELLICOE, Governor-General.

Interiors, Governor-General.

In pursuance and exercise of the powers and authorities conferred upon me by the Land Act, 1908, I, John Rushworth, Viscount Jellicoe, Governor-General of the Dominion of New Zealand, having received the report of the Under-Secretary in this behalf, as provided by section one hundred and fifty-four of the said Act, do hereby declare that the lands described in the Schedule hereto shall be open for sale or selection on Monday, the twenty-sixth day of November, one thousand nine hundred and twenty-three; and also that the lands mentioned in the said Schedule may at the option of the applicant, be purphased for each. and also that the lands mentioned in the said Schedule may, at the option of the applicant, be purchased for cash, or be selected for occupation with right of purchase, or on renewable lease; and I do hereby also fix the prices at which the said lands shall be sold, occupied, or leased, as mentioned in the said Schedule hereto, and do declare that the said lands shall be sold, occupied, or leased under and subject to the provisions of the Land Act, 1908.

SCHEDULE.

AUCKLAND LAND DISTRICT .- SECOND-CLASS LAND.

Ohinemuri County.—Hapuakohe Survey District.

Section 5, Block VIII: Area, 187 acres. Capital value, £480. Occupation with right of purchase: Half-yearly rent, £12. Renewable lease: Half-yearly rent, £9 12s.

Weighted with £600, valuation for improvements.

Distant about nineteen miles from Morrinsville Junction

Distant about nineteen miles from Morrinsville Junction Railway-station on the Auckland-Rotorua line. The section comprises about 60 acres of good-quality land, the remainder being of medium quality on clay subsoil. About 49 acres have been under cultivation, the balance comprising proportions of light bush, heavy manuka, and akeake, and fern and manuka scrub; well watered by stream. Altitude, 50 ft. to 400 ft. above sea-level.

Improvements.—The following improvements have been effected on the section: Small dwelling and cow-shed (not quite finished), 165 chains post-and-wire fencing, 24 chains drain, 29 acres scrub-cutting; 20 acres felled tea-tree, surface sown; 4 acres partly stumped; 9 acres stumped, cultivated, and cropped; 16 acres fern land, cultivated and grassed; total value, £600. Repayable in cash; or reasonable deposit, and balance secured by mortgage on easy terms.