Amendment and Addition to the Regulations under the Public Service Act, 1912.

In Pursuance and exercise of the authority conferred on him by the Public Service Act, 1912 (hereinafter called "the said Act"), the Commissioner, with the approval of the Governor-General in Council, doth hereby, in respect of the regulations made under the said Act on the thirty-first day of March, one thousand nine hundred and thirteen, and published in the New Zealand Gazette on the first day of April, one thousand nine hundred and thirteen, and the amendments thereof made from time to time under the provisions of the said Act, make the amendment shown in the Schedule hereto.

Such amendment shall have effect on and after the date of publication thereof in the New Zealand Gazette.

## SCHEDULE.

REGULATION 49 is hereby amended by deleting the last paragraph, and substituting in liquid thereof the following paragraphs:

and substituting in lieu thereof the following paragraphs:-

"All the days of absence in excess of the number of days allowed for sick-leave shall be deducted from the annual leave of absence granted for recreation: Provided that, where such excess leave has been on half-pay, the number of days to be deducted from the annual leave shall be reduced by one-half, and, further, that where such excess leave has been without pay no deduction shall be made from the annual leave.

"In special cases the Commissioner may, on the recommendation of the Permanent Head, grant further leave."

As witness my hand this 16th day of October, 1923.

P. VERSCHAFFELT, Public Service Commissioner.

In pursuance of the provisions of the Public Service Act, 1912, His Excellency the Governor-General of the Dominion of New Zealand, with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of the said Dominion, approves the foregoing regulations.

JELLICOE, Governor-General.

Approved in Council this 24th day of October, 1923.

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

Amendment in the Schemes of Control of Secondary Schools.

IN accordance with the provisions of the Education Act, 1914, and with the powers thereunder, I, Christopher James Parr, Minister of Education, acting on the advice of the General Council of Education, do hereby approve of the following amendment in the schemes of control of all secondary schools, such amendment to come into operation on the publication thereof in the New Zealand Gazette.

## AMENDMENT.

The schemes are amended by adding to the subclause "The school year shall consist of three terms of about thirteen weeks each" the words "Provided that the school shall be open on at least three hundred and eighty-five half days during each school year, unless it is shown to the satisfaction of the Minister that the closing of the school is necessary owing to the prevalence of epidemics or other sufficient cause."

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

C. J. PARR, Minister of Education.