

Appointment of Customs Wharves and Examining-places.

Customs Department,
Wellington, 7th January, 1924.

I, WILLIAM DOWNIE STEWART, Minister of Customs, in exercise of the powers vested in me for this purpose by the Customs Act, 1913, do hereby revoke the appointment of all wharves and examining-places at the Port of Nelson, and do by this Warrant appoint the places enumerated in the First Schedule hereto to be wharves for the lading and unloading of goods at the Port of Nelson, and do likewise appoint the buildings enumerated in the Second Schedule hereto to be places for the examination by the Customs of goods subject to the control of the Customs at the said Port of Nelson.

FIRST SCHEDULE.

WHARVES.

THE wharves known as Harbour Board Wharf and Breastwork Wharf.

SECOND SCHEDULE.

EXAMINING-PLACES.

Situation.	Description.
HARBOUR Board Wharf ..	Two wharf sheds marked "A" and "B."
Breastwork Wharf ..	Wharf shed marked "C."

WM. DOWNIE STEWART, Minister of Customs.

Land and Income Tax (Annual) Act, 1923.—Income-tax payable.

BY Order in Council, made and issued by His Excellency the Governor-General in Council on the 17th day of September, 1923, under the authority of the above Act, it was determined that the duty by way of Income-tax, leviable under section 3 of the said Act, should be paid in one sum on Friday, the 8th day of February, 1924, at the office of the Commissioner of Taxes, Government Buildings, Wellington; and, in accordance with such Order in Council, I hereby give notice that the said duty will be payable accordingly. Additional tax will accrue if the tax is not paid on or before 29th February, 1924. The liability to pay is not suspended by any objection. The tax should be paid on or before the prescribed date, otherwise the additional percentage accrues; any overpayment will be adjusted by refund.

The demands will be posted from the office of the Commissioner of Taxes on or about 1st February, 1924. Demands must be presented with all payments, and if a demand has not been received the Commissioner should be communicated with.

D. G. CLARK,
Commissioner of Taxes.

Auckland Education Board.

IN accordance with the provisions of the Education Act, 1914, and amendments thereof, it is hereby publicly notified that

Mr. Sydney Bennett Sims

has been duly elected as a member of the Auckland Education Board, representing the Hamilton Urban Area, to fill the extraordinary vacancy caused by the resignation of Mr. A. E. Manning. Having been the only duly nominated candidate, Mr. Sims was elected unopposed.

E. C. PURDIE, Returning Officer.
Auckland, 10th January, 1924.

Bank Statements.

STATEMENT of the average amount of Liabilities and Assets of the Bank of New Zealand, in New Zealand, during the Quarter ended 31st December, 1923.

LIABILITIES.		£	s.	d.
Notes in circulation ..	..	4,027,808	14	4
Bills in circulation ..	..	89,364	15	3
Balances due to other Banks ..	..	109,329	7	4
Government deposits ..	..	3,592,319	11	7
Other deposits—				
Not bearing interest ..	..	11,373,918	2	2
Bearing interest ..	..	9,417,620	1	6
Total average liabilities		£28,610,360	12	2

ASSETS.		£	s.	d.
Coined gold and silver and other coined metals				
..	..	3,468,924	3	9
Gold and silver in bullion or bars ..	..	7,251	15	9
Legal tender notes of other Banks ..	..	30,752	9	3
Notes and bills of other Banks ..	..	194,251	2	6
Balances due from other Banks ..	..	168,827	11	3
Landed property .. .. .	..	206,886	19	10
Amount of all other securities—				
1. Notes and bills discounted ..	..	1,165,864	13	2
2. Government securities (New Zealand or otherwise) .. .. .	..	3,379,664	19	8
3. Other funded securities .. .. .	..	..	..	..
4. Debts due to the Bank (exclusive of debts abandoned as bad) ..	..	18,781,230	7	7
5. Securities not included under the above heads .. .. .	..	572,145	9	6
Total average assets		£27,975,799	12	3

Amount of the capital stock paid up at the close of the quarter ended 31st December, 1923:—

4-per-cent. guaranteed stock, £529,988.
Preference "A" shares issued to the Crown under Bank of New Zealand Act, 1920, £500,000.
Preference "B" shares issued to the Crown under Bank of New Zealand Act, 1920, £1,000,000.
Ordinary shares, £2,978,661.

Rate of the last dividend declared to the shareholders on—
Preference "A" shares, 10 per cent. per annum.
Preference "B" shares, equal to 10 per cent. per annum.
Ordinary shares, equal to 13½ per cent. per annum.

Amount of the last dividend declared on—
Preference "A" shares, £50,000.
Preference "B" shares, £62,500.
Ordinary shares, £300,000.

(On the Guaranteed Stock £10,599, interest for six months, was paid on 1st November, 1923.)

Amount of the reserved profits at the time of declaring such dividend, £2,246,957.

Dated at Wellington this 11th day of January, 1924.

H. BUCKLETON, General Manager.
A. H. BATH, Accountant.

[NOTE.—The above are the figures for New Zealand only.]

STATEMENT of the average amount of Liabilities and Assets of the Bank of Australasia, in New Zealand, during the Quarter ended 31st December, 1923.

LIABILITIES.		£	s.	d.
Notes in circulation .. .. .	..	408,792	4	3
Bills in circulation .. .. .	..	19,053	16	11
Balances due to other Banks .. .. .	..	..	..	..
Government deposits .. .. .	..	..	..	..
Other deposits—				
Not bearing interest .. .. .	..	2,442,835	17	0
Bearing interest .. .. .	..	1,416,236	4	5
Total average liabilities		£4,286,918	2	7

ASSETS.		£	s.	d.
Coined gold and silver and other coined metals				
..	..	961,351	13	5
Legal tender notes of other Banks ..	..	10,740	11	4
Gold and silver in bullion or bars ..	..	..	..	..
Notes and bills of other Banks .. ..	..	55,009	16	9
Balances due from other Banks .. ..	..	5,500	0	0
Landed property .. .. .	..	96,599	19	5
Amount of all other securities—				
1. Notes and bills discounted .. ..	..	160,109	11	2
2. Colonial Government securities ..	..	154,763	1	11
3. Other funded securities .. .. .	..	..	..	..
4. Debts due to the Bank (exclusive of debts abandoned as bad) .. .. .	..	5,608,403	16	8
5. Securities not included under the above heads .. .. .	..	14,907	9	10
Total average assets		£7,067,385	19	6

Amount of the capital stock paid up at this date, £4,000,000.

Rate of the last interim dividend and bonus declared to the shareholders, 10 per cent. per annum and bonus 3 per cent. per annum, equal to 13 per cent. per annum.

Amount of the last interim dividend and bonus declared, £260,000.

Amount of the reserved profits at the time of declaring such dividend, £3,646,863.

Dated at Wellington this 11th day of January, 1924.

PERCY H. COX, Inspector.
T. P. HANNA, Accountant.