Amendments and Additions to the Regulations under the Public Service Act, 1912.

N 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 amendments shown in the Schedule hereto.

Such amendments shall have effect on and from the date of publication thereof in the New Zealand Gazetta

SCHEDULE.

REGULATION 161 (d) is hereby revoked, and the following substituted in lieu thereof:-

"161. (d). No one, except in such cases as the Commissioner may declare to be special cases, shall be appointed to the Clerical Division unless his age at the time of appointment is not less than fifteen nor more than eighteen years, and no one shall be appointed to the Professional Division unless his age is not less than seventeen years at the time of appointment."

Regulation 164 is hereby revoked, and the following substituted lieu thereof :-

"164. (1.) Appointments will be made according to the order of merit in the list of applicants who have passed the Entrance Examination ·

"(a.) Provided that the order of rotation may be departed from

in the following cases:-

'(i.) If the vacancy requires to be filled by a candidate possessing special qualifications, it may be offered to a candidate whose examination results disclose that he possesses such qualifications:

"(ii.) If the vacancy occurs at a place other than Wellington, it may, in the first instance, be offered to a candidate

residing at or near such place:

"(b.) Provided further that if any person is available and otherwise eligible who has at any time passed the examination hereinafter called the Senior Examination, or the Matriculation Examination of the New Zealand University, although in any of these cases he may not have passed the Entrance Examination, he shall take precedence over candidates who have passed the Entrance Examination only:

"(c.) Provided further that the Commissioner may, if he thinks fit, notwithstanding anything to the contrary hereinbefore contained, give preference to an applicant who is an honourably discharged member of the New Zealand Expeditionary Force and who has at any time passed the Entrance Examination or its equivalent.

"(2.) Every applicant for examination shall state in his applica-

tion whether he is willing to accept appointment—
"(a.) In any part of New Zealand in which a vacancy may occur,

or only in some particular part of New Zealand: "(b.) In any Department of the Public Service in which a vacancy may occur, or only in some particular Department or Departments.

As witness my hand this 23rd day of April, 1925.

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.

CHARLES FERGUSSON, Governor-General.

Approved in Council, this 24th day of April, 1925.

F. D. THOMSON, Clerk of the Executive Council.