notified that the first meeting of the Onehunga Fire Board will be held at the Borough Council Chambers, Onehunga, at 8 p.m. on Wednesday, 16th September, 1925.

RICHD. F. BOLLARD, Minister of Internal Affairs.

Notice of Intention to take Land in Block V, Te Atiamuri Survey District, for the Purposes of a Roal.

OTICE is hereby given that it is proposed, under the provisions of the Public Works Act, 1908, to execute certain public work-to wit, the construction of a road in a certain public work—to wit, the construction of a road in Block V, Te Atiamuri Survey District; and for the purposes of such public work the land described in the Schedule hereto is required to be taken. And notice is hereby further given that the plan of the land so required to be taken is deposited in the post-office at Atiamuri, and is there open for inspection; and that all persons affected by the execution of the said public work or by the taking of the said land should, if they have any well-grounded objections to the execution of the said public work or to the taking of such land set forth the same in writing and send such such land, set forth the same in writing, and send such writing, within forty days from the first publication of this notice, to the Minister of Public Works at Wellington.

#### SCHEDULE.

APPROXIMATE areas of the pieces of land required to be taken:-

A. R. P. Being Portion of 5 0 37 Lot 1 on D.P. 10370; coloured purple. 1 2 38 3 0 19

,, 2 ,, 10370; coloured red. ,, 3 ,, 10370; coloured purple. Part Whakamaru Maungaiti F 2A.; coloured

red.

Situated in Block V, Te Atiamuri Survey District (Whaka-maru-Maungaiti Block), Auckland R.D. (S.O. 23296.)

In the Auckland Land District; as the same are more particularly delineated on the plan marked P.W.D. 60447, deposited in the office of the Minister of Public Works at Wellington, in the Wellington Land District, and thereon coloured as above mentioned

coloured as above mentioned.

As witness my hand at Wellington this 3rd day of September, 1925.

J. G. COATES, Minister of Public Works.

### Result of Poll for Proposed Loan.

Wellington, 28th August, 1925. THE following notice, received from the Chairman of the Board of the Opunake Electric-power District, is published in accordance with the provisions of the Local Bodies' Loans Act, 1913.

W. NOSWORTHY, Minister of Finance.

### OPUNAKE ELECTRIC-POWER DISTRICT.

PURSUANT to section 12 of the Local Bodies' Loans Act, 1913, I hereby give notice that a poll of ratepayers of a special area, being that part of the Opunake Electric-power District formerly known as it's outer area, was taken on Thursday, the 20th of August, 1925, on a proposal to raise a special loan of £22,000.

The number of votes recorded for the proposal was 61; the number of votes recorded against the proposal was 6.

I therefore declare the proposal carried.

Dated at Opunake this 21st day of August, 1925.

CHAS. A. TROTTER, Chairman.

# Result of Poll for Proposed Loan.

Wellington, 1st September, 1925. THE following notice, received from the Mayor of the Borough of Bluff, is published in accordance with the provisions of the Local Bodies' Loans Act, 1913.

W. NOSWORTHY, Minister of Finance.

# BLUFF BOROUGH.

PURSUANT to section 12 of the Local Bodies' Loans Act, 1913, I hereby give notice that at a poll of the ratepayers of the Borough of Bluff, taken on the 12th day of August, 1925, on the proposal of the Bluff Borough Council to borrow the sum of £2,300 for the purpose of providing and installing all plant, machinery, and equipment necessary for operating a stone-quarry within the boundaries of the Borough of Bluff,—

The number of votes recorded for the proposal was 93; the number of votes recorded against the proposal was 147.

I therefore declare that the proposal was rejected.

Dated this 26th day of August, 1925.

W. HINCHEY, Mayor.

Special Order made by the Thames County Council declaring that Foxglove (Digitalis purpurea) shall be deemed to be a Noxious Weed.—Notice No. Ag. 2517.

Department of Agriculture,
Wellington, 27th August, 1925.

THE following special order made by the Thames County
Council is published in accordance with the Council is published in accordance with the provisions of the Noxious Weeds Act.

W. NOSWORTHY, Minister of Agriculture.

#### SPECIAL ORDER.

THAT the plant mentioned in the Schedule hereto (being a plant mentioned in the Third Schedule to the said Act) is a noxious weed within the County of Thames.

#### SCHEDULE.

## Foxglove (Digitalis purpurea).

The above special order was passed at a special meeting of the Thames County Council on 5th February, 1925, and confirmed at a subsequent meeting of the Council on the 5th March, 1925.

Notice making and levying Rates under the Hauraki Plains Act, 1908.

Department of Lands and Survey,

Wellington, 3rd September, 1925.
ALEXANDER DONALD McLEOD, Minister of Lands, 1 annual Plains Act, 1908, do hereby make and levy upon the unimproved value of all lands liable to be rated pursuant to that Act a rate on a graduated scale as specified in the

Schedule hereto according to the classification of the land.

The said rate will be payable in one sum on the 10th day of September, 1925, to the Collector of Rates for the Hauraki Plains Rating District, at the office of the Chief Drainage Engineer, 5 Law Court Buildings, High Street, Auckland, at which office the rate-book will be open for inspection.

A copy of the rate-book may be inspected by ratepayers at the office of the Chief Drainage Engineer at Kerepehi at all times at which that office is open for the transaction of public business.

## SCHEDULE.

CLASS A: On the unimproved value of all lands classified as Class A by the Appraiser appointed under the said Act—
Threepence and thirty-eight one-hundredths of a penny (3d. and 38/100d.) in the pound.

Class B: On the unimproved value of all lands classified as Class B by the Appraiser appointed under the said Act-One penny and ninety-one one-hundredths of a penny (1d. and 91/100d.) in the pound.

Class C: On the unimproved value of all lands classified as Class C by the Appraiser appointed under the said Act—Forty-eight one-hundredths of a penny (48/100d.) in the pound.

A. D. McLEOD, Minister of Lands.

Education Amendment Act, 1924.—Control of Stratford Technical School.

Education Department,
Wellington, 29th August, 1925.
N accordance with section 12 of the Education Amendment
Act, 1924, I, Christopher James Parr, Minister of Education, acting on the advice of the General Council of Education, do hereby direct that, as from the 1st day of January, 1926, the Taranaki Education Board shall cease to exercise control over the Stratford Technical School, and that as from that date the sole control thereof shall be vested in the Board of Managers of the Stratford Technical School.

C. J. PARR, Minister of Education.