

*Approval of Fees for Licensing of Vehicles fixed by By-laws.—
Otamatea County Council.*

Department of Internal Affairs,
Wellington, 19th June, 1926.

IT is hereby notified, in accordance with section 109 of the Counties Act, 1920, that so much of the by-laws made by the Otamatea County Council and sealed on the 26th day of May, 1926, as appoints the several sums to be paid to the Otamatea County funds for the licensing of vehicles plying for hire has this day been approved by His Excellency the Governor-General.

RICH. F. BOLLARD,
Minister of Internal Affairs.

*Notice under the Shops and Offices Act, 1921-22, varying the
Notice fixing the Closing-hours of All Shops in the Avondale
Road District.*

WHEREAS a requisition in writing, signed by a majority of the occupiers of all the shops in each of the trades of (1) tobacconist, (2) hairdresser, (3) confectioner, (4) fruiterer, and (5) fishmonger within the Borough of Avondale, has been forwarded to me, desiring that the notice fixing the closing-hours of all shops in the Avondale Road District published in the *New Zealand Gazette* of the 4th February, 1909, be cancelled in so far as it relates to all the shops in each of the said trades:

And whereas I, George James Anderson, Minister of Labour, am satisfied that the signatures to such requisition represent a majority of the occupiers of all the shops in each of the said trades within the said borough:

Now, therefore, in pursuance of section 32 of the Shops and Offices Act, 1921-22, I do hereby direct that the notice dated the 3rd February, 1909, and published in the *New Zealand Gazette* of the 4th February, 1909, fixing the closing-hours of all shops in the Avondale Road District shall be and is hereby cancelled in so far as it relates to the shops affected by this notice as from the date of the coming into operation of this notice.

Dated at Wellington this 22nd day of June, 1926.

G. JAS. ANDERSON, Minister of Labour.

Award of Colonial Auxiliary Forces Officers' Decoration.

Department of Defence,
Wellington, 17th June, 1926.

HIS Excellency the Governor-General has been pleased to approve of the award of the Colonial Auxiliary Forces Officers' Decoration to Captain A. J. McI. Cross, the Hauraki Regiment.

F. J. ROLLESTON, Minister of Defence.

*Trustees of the Mangare Rabbit-proof Fencing District elected.
Notice No. Ag. 2583.*

Department of Agriculture,
Wellington, 22nd June, 1926.

NOTICE has been received under the hand of the Returning Officer of the Mangare Rabbit-proof Fencing District, constituted under Part IV of the Rabbit Nuisance Act, 1908, that

David Bethune,
William David Bethune, and
Arthur St. John White

have been duly elected Trustees of the said district.

O. HAWKEN, Minister of Agriculture.

*Special Order made by the Gore Borough Council declaring tha
Californian Thistle and Ragwort shall be deemed not to be
Noxious Weeds.—Notice No. Ag. 2582.*

Department of Agriculture,
Wellington, 22nd June, 1926.

THE following special order made by the Gore Borough Council at a special meeting held on 19th April, 1926, and confirmed at a meeting of the Council on 17th May, 1926, is published in accordance with the provisions of the Noxious Weeds Act.

O. HAWKEN, Minister of Agriculture.

SPECIAL ORDER.

IN exercise of the powers conferred on it by the Noxious Weeds Act, 1908, the Gore Borough Council hereby resolves and declares by way of special order that the plants mentioned in the Schedule hereto (being plants mentioned in the Second Schedule of the said Act as extended from time to time by the Governor-General in Council) shall not be noxious weeds within the Borough of Gore.

Schedule.

Canadian or Californian thistle (*Cnicus arvensis*).
Ragwort (*Senecio jacobaea*).

Auditor under the Friendly Societies Act, 1909, licensed.

Friendly Societies Department,
Wellington, 19th June, 1926.

IN pursuance of the 10th section of the Friendly Societies Act, 1909, His Excellency the Governor-General has been pleased to license

Frederick Robert Watters

of Ngaruawahia, to act as a Public Auditor under the Friendly Societies Act, 1909.

R. A. WRIGHT, Minister in Charge.

Notice to Mariners No. 29 of 1926.

NEW ZEALAND.—SOUTH ISLAND.—EAST COAST.—OTAGO
HARBOUR.

Marine Department,
Wellington, N.Z., 17th June, 1926.

*Entrance Leading-beacon Lights to be changed, and New Rear
Beacon to be installed.*

THE Otago Harbour Board notify that on the evening of Thursday, 1st July, 1926, the existing fixed white lights exhibited from the entrance leading-beacons will be discontinued, and in lieu of which white lights having characteristic phases will be exhibited as follows:—

Front beacon: A flashing white light 1 sec., flash 3/10 sec., 24 ft., visible 6 miles, is exhibited from a white triangular beacon 20 ft. high, situated at Harrington Point.

Rear beacon: An occulting white light 5 secs., eclipse 2 secs., 85 ft., visible 12 miles, is exhibited from a white triangular-topped beacon 30 ft. high, situated eastward of Maori Kaik Pier.

Simultaneously a new rear beacon will be installed at a position 033.5°, 328 ft. from the existing rear beacon, and the front and rear beacons will then be 2,097 yards apart and in transit 177° 3' 30". This will lead 220 ft. off North Mole end and in a least depth of 36 ft. at M.L.W.S.

Publications affected: Admiralty Chart No. 2411; "New Zealand Pilot," 9th edition, 1919, page 362; "New Zealand Nautical Almanac," 1926, page 328, and plan facing page 332.

G. C. GODFREY, Secretary.

Notice to Mariners No. 30 of 1926.

NEW ZEALAND.—SOUTH ISLAND.—WEST COAST.—KARAMEA.

Marine Department,
Wellington, N.Z., 21st June, 1926.

Position of Occasional Harbour Light to be changed.

INFORMATION is hereby given that on and after the evening of Tuesday, 20th July, 1926, the occasional fixed harbour light shown from the flagstaff on South Spit, near the river entrance, will be exhibited from a signal staff situated at the north side of the entrance near the movable leading-beacons.

The light will be occasional, fixed, white, 52 ft., visible 7 miles, and will be visible from 039°, through east, to 158°. The light in its new position will be half a mile eastward of the outer bar.

Publications affected: Admiralty Chart No. 2616; "New Zealand Pilot," 9th edition, 1919, page 376 *et seq.*; "New Zealand Nautical Almanac," 1926, page 349 and plan facing page 350; Admiralty List of Lights, 1924, Part 6, No. 3092.

G. C. GODFREY, Secretary.