shall be a rate not exceeding six per centum per annum, and the said Taranaki County Council is hereby authorized to borrow the said sum of four hundred and eighty pounds accordingly.

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

Validating the Proceedings in connection with a Loan of £1,000 proposed to be raised by the Council of the County of Masterton.

> CHARLES FERGUSSON, Governor-General. ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government House at Wellington, this 4th day of April, 1927.

Present:

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL IN COUNCIL.

WHEREAS the Masterton County Council, acting under of the Local Bodies' Loans Act, 1926, proposes to raise a loan of one thousand pounds for metalling the Ngaumu Road:

And whereas the proceedings in connection with the said loan are irregular in that the public notification of the meeting to confirm the special order authorizing the raising of the loan did not comply with the provisions of paragraph (c) of section ninety-nine of the Counties Act, 1920:

And whereas it appears that the ratepayers have not been willed by the said irregularity and it is expedient to validate

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Now, therefore, His Excellency the Governor-General of the Dominion of New Zealand, in pursuance and exercise of the powers and authorities conferred on him by section one hundred and twenty-two of the Local Bodies' Loans Act, 1926, and acting by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of the said Dominion, doth hereby order and declare that the proceedings taken to raise the said loan shall be valid to all intents and purposes as though public notification of the special order had been correctly given, and that the validity of the proceedings in connection with the said loan shall not be called into question by reason only of the irregularity or defect aforesaid.

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

Withdrawing Land from the Operation of the Kauri - gum Industry Act, 1908.

> CHARLES FERGUSSON, Governor-General. ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government House at Wellington, this 28th day of March, 1927.

Present:

THE HONOURABLE W. DOWNIE STEWART PRESIDING IN COUNCIL.

HEREAS by section one hundred and sixty-two of the Land Act, 1924, it is enacted that the Governor-General may, by Order in Council gazetted, on the recommendation of the Land Board, declare that any land comprised in a kauri-gum reserve shall, from a date to be specified in the Order, cease to be subject to the Kauri-gum Industry Act, 1908, and on and after the date so specified the land to which the Order relates shall become subject to the pro-visions of the Land Act, 1924:

And whereas the Land Board of the North Auckland Land

District has duly passed a resolution recommending that part of the Purua Kauri-gum Reserve Extension as described in the Schedule hereto be excepted from the operations of the Kauri-gum Industry Act, 1908, and it is expedient to give

effect to such recommendation:

Now, therefore, I, General Sir Charles Fergusson, Baronet, Governor-General of the Dominion of New Zealand, in pursource and exercise of the power and authority conferred upon me by section one hundred and sixty-two of the Land Act, 1924, and acting by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of the said Dominion, do hereby order and declare that part of the Purua Kauri-gum Reserve Extension, as described in the Schedule hereto, shall from the twenty-third day of April, one thousand nine hundred and Act, 1908.

SCHEDULE.

NORTH AUCKLAND LAND DISTRICT. SECTION 21, Block II, Purua Survey District: Area, 61 acres 1 rood.

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

Amending Taupo Harbour Regulations, 1926.

CHARLES FERGUSSON, Governor-General. ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government Buildings at Wellington, this 28th day of March, 1927.

Present:

THE HONOURABLE W. DOWNIE STEWART PRESIDING IN COUNCIL.

N pursuance and exercise of the power and authority conferred upon him by section nine of the Harbours Act, 1923, and section fourteen of the Native Land Amendment and Native Land Claims Adjustment Act, 1926, and of all other powers and authorities enabling him in that behalf, His Excellency the Governor-General of the Dominion of New Zealand, acting by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of the said Dominion, doth hereby make the following additional regulations for the purposes of the said Acts :-

REGULATIONS.

1. These regulations may be cited as the Taupo Harbour Regulations Amendment No. 1.

Regulations Amendment No. 1.

2. The Taupo Harbour Regulations, 1926 (hereinafter referred to as "the said regulations"), are hereby amended by deleting the dates "thirty-first day of December," "first day of January," and "first day of July," wherever they occur in the said regulations (including the Schedule thereto), and substituting in lieu thereof the dates "thirty-first day of March," "first day of April," and "first day of October,"

of March," "first day of April," and "first day of October," respectively.

3. Every license issued and annual wharfage due received under the said regulations between the first day of January and the thirty-first day of March, one thousand nine hundred and twenty-seven, shall, subject to the provisions of the said regulations as to cancellation of licenses and of these regulations as to the payment of fees, continue in force and have effect until the thirty-first day of March, one thousand nine hundred and twenty-eight.

hundred and twenty-eight.
4. (1) In respect of every such license and annual wharfage due there shall be payable on or before the thirty-first day of December, one thousand nine hundred and twenty-seven, an additional fee equal to one-fourth of the amount of the fee payable in respect of a license issued or wharfage due received

(as the case may be) for the whole year.

(2) The Department shall forthwith cause a receipt to be given to the licensee or payee for the payment of the additional fee and the production of such receipt shall be sufficient evidence, unless the contrary is proved, that the conditions prescribed by these regulations as to the continuance of the license or availability of the wharfage due until the thirty-first day of March, one thousand nine hundred and twenty-eight, have been complied with.

(3) If the holder of a license to which this clause relates

fails to pay the fee herein required on or before the said thirty-first day of December, one thousand nine hundred and twenty-seven, his license shall expire on that date. Payment of the said fee after the thirty-first day of December aforesaid will not operate to revive a license that has expired as herein provided.

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

Opening Lands in the Hawke's Bay Land District for Sale or Selection

CHARLES FERGUSSON, Governor-General.

IN pursuance and exercise of the powers and authorities conferred upon me by the Land Act, 1924, I, General Sir Charles Fergusson, Baronet, Governor General of the Dominion of New Zealand, having received the report of the Under-Secretary in this behalf, as provided by section one hundred and seventy-six of the said Act, do hereby declare that the lands described in the Schedule hereto shall be open for sale or selection on Wednesday, the eleventh day of May, one thousand nine hundred and twenty-seven; and also that the lands mentioned in the said Schedule and also that the lands mentioned in the said Schedule may, at the option of the applicant, be purchased for cash or on deferred payments, or be selected on renewable lease; and I do hereby also fix the prices at which the said lands shall be sold, occupied, or leased as that mentioned in the said Schedule hereto, and do declare that the said lands shall be sold, occupied, or leased under and subject to the provisions of the Loud Act 1024 visions of the Land Act, 1924.

SCHEDULE.

HAWKE'S BAY LAND DISTRICT .- SECOND-CLASS LAND. Wairoa County.-Opoiti Survey District.

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SECTION 2, Block XV: Area, 807 acres. Capital value, £3,430. Deferred payments: Deposit, £171 10s.; half-