from the said railway reserve; thence generally northeasterly by a line parallel to and twenty chains distant from the railway reserve to the Ruamahanga River; thence following the Ruamahanga River southward to its junction with the Kahautara Road; thence in a direct line to the point of commencement.

Nelson Area.—All that area in the Nelson Land District commencing at the mouth of the Otuwhero River in Tasman Bay, and thence bounded by the said bay, the estuary of the Waimea River, Tasman Bay, and Nelson Haven to the southwest corner of Section 4, Block V, Wakapuaka Survey District; thence by the Nelson-Blenheim Road to the road forming the north-west boundary of Section 24 in Block VI of the said survey district; by that road, by Section 77, by Sections 33 and 4 in Block VI before mentioned, by Sections 15 and 18 in Block X, Wakapuaka Survey District, and by Sections 48, 64, 45, 46, 50, 24, 25, and 28, all in Block IX of the said survey district, and the production of the last-named boundary to the Maitai River; by that river to the western boundary of Section 31 in Block I, Maunga tapu Survey District; thence bounded by Sections 31, 2, 18, 28, 26, part 4, and 22, all in Block I last mentioned by Section 14 (waterworks reserve) to the road near Trig. J, by the said river, over Trigs. GB and G, and by the Aniseed Valley Road to the Roading River; thence by the said river, by the Wairoa River to Section 8 in Block XIII of the Waimea Survey District; thence by Sections 8, 67, 63, and 64 in Block XIII of the last-mentioned survey district, and by Section 9 in Block I, Rintoul Survey District; by Sections 3, 1, 6, and 18 in Block IV, Gordon Survey District, and by Sections 3 and 4 in Block VIII of the said survey district; thence by a road, a line across a road, by the south east boundary of Section 63, a line across a road, by the south-east boundaries of Sections 5 and 60, and by the southern boundaries of Sections 60 and 3, all in Block VII, Gordon Survey District; thence by part of the eastern boundary and by the southern boundary of Section 27 in Block VI of the said survey district, by a road to and by the south-east boundary of Section 43 in Block X, Gordon Survey District, to Gordon's Creek; thence by the said creek and by the Motueka River to and by the north boundary of Section 2 in Block V, Gordon Survey District; thence by Small Grazing-run 6, by a road, by Sections 11 and 10 in Block IX of the said survey district; by Section 22 in Block XII, Tadmor Survey District, by Brewerton Creek, by Sections 17 and 73 in the said Block XII, to the Motupiko River; thence by a line across that river to the north-east corner of Section 2 in the last-mentioned Block XII; by that section and by Sections 12 and 11 in the said Block XII; by Section 13 in Block VII, Tadmor Survey District, by a road, and by a line across the Nelson-Glenhope Railway and across a road to the Tadmor River; thence by the said river to the Motueka River, by that river to the Graham River, and up that river and its tributaries to Trig. Station F (Crusader); thence by the boundary between the counties of Waimea and Takaka to Section 17 in Block I of the Motueka Survey District; thence down the Riwaka River to the east boundary of Section 27 in Block IX, Kaiteriteri Survey District; thence by the said Section 27, and by Sections 45 and 42 in Block VII, Kaiteriteri Survey District, to Kairuru Road; thence by the said road, by Sections 80 and 87 in Block VIII, Kaiteriteri Survey District, and by a line across a road to the Holyoake's Valley Stream; thence by that stream and the Otuwhero River to the point of commencement.

Christchurch Area.—Waimairi and Heathcote Counties and Port Victoria Riding in the Mount Herbert County.

Rangiora Area.—All that area in the Canterbury Land District bounded by a line commencing at a point in the middle of the Makerikeri River in line with the north-eastern boundary of R.S. 33378; thence south-easterly along that boundary to a public road intersecting R.S. 33378, 37081, 33382, and 33366; thence southerly along that road to the northern boundary of Block II, Rangiora Survey District; thence easterly along that boundary to the north-eastern corner of the said block; thence southerly along the eastern boundaries of Blocks II and VI, Rangiora Survey District, to the south-eastern corner of the last-mentioned block; thence westerly along the southern boundaries of Blocks VI and V, Rangiora Survey District, to the south-western corner of the said Block V; thence northerly along the western boundary of Block V aforesaid to the left bank of the Ashley River; thence up the left banks of the Ashley and Okuku Rivers to a point in line with the road forming the south-eastern boundary of R.S. 34491; thence to and along that road to Main Road; thence southerly along Main Road to the road forming the north-western boundary of R.S. 7615; thence north-easterly along Loburn and Kowai Road to a point in line with the north-western boundary

of R.S. 35480; thence north-easterly along that boundary and its production to the middle of the Makerkeri River, and down the middle of that river to the point of commencement.

Otago Area.—All that area in the Otago Land District commencing at the south-eastern corner of Benger Survey District, thence westerly along the southern boundary of aforesaid district; thence northerly along the western boundaries generally of Benger, Teviot, Cairnhill, Fraserside, Bannockburn, and Cromwell Survey Districts to the Vincent County boundary; thence northerly along that boundary to the Clutha River; thence south-easterly down the aforesaid river to the northern boundary of Tarras Survey District; thence easterly along that boundary; thence southerly along the eastern boundaries of Tarras, Wakefield, and Leaning Rock Survey Districts; thence easterly and southerly along the northern and eastern boundaries of Cairnhill Survey District; thence southerly along the eastern boundaries of Teviot and Benger Survey Districts, to the point of commencement.

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

Open Season for the Taking or Killing of Opossums in the Auckland Acclimatization District.

CHARLES FERGUSSON, Governor-General. ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government House at Wellington, this 9th day of May, 1927.

Present:

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL IN COUNCIL.

IN pursuance and exercise of the powers and authoritics conferred upon him by the Animals Protection and Game Act, 1921–22, and of all other powers and authorities enabling him in this 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 order and declare that opossums may be taken or killed within the Auckland Acclimatization District described in the Schedule hereto, except in any sanctuary other than a scenic reserve, from the thirty-first day of May, one thousand mine hundred and twenty-seven, to the thirtieth day of June, one thousand nine hundred and twenty-seven, both days inclusive, subject to the general regulations made by Order in Council dated the ninth day of May, one thousand nine hundred and twenty-seven.

And I do further notify that licenses to take or kill opossums within the said district shall be issued to any person on payment of the sum of two pounds ten shillings each; and the Chief Postmaster at Auckland is hereby appointed to sign and issue such licenses to take or kill opossums.

SCHEDULE.

AUCKLAND ACCLIMATIZATION DISTRICT.

ALL that area in the North Auckland, Auckland, Taranaki and Wellington Land Districts bounded by a line commencing at the mouth of the Mokau River, and proceeding thence along high-water mark, Tasman Sea, in a northerly direction generally (crossing the mouths of all harbours and rivers by the way) to the Kaipara Harbour entrance to a point midway between Kaipara Heads; thence up the centre of the channels, Kaipara Harbour, leading to the mouth of Oruawhero River; thence by the southern boundaries of the Hobson and Whangarei Acclimatization Districts, as described in New Zealand Gazette No. 17, of the 12th day of March, 1925, to the Mangawhai Harbour; thence by the middle of that harbour to the sea; thence along high-water mark of the sea, Hauraki Gulf and Firth of Thames (crossing the mouths of all harbours and rivers by the way), to the mouth of the Waikawau River in Block VI, Hastings Survey District; thence up the middle of that river to its source, and along a right line from said source to Northhead, Tairua Harbour; thence southerly along high-water mark, Bay of Plenty (crossing the mouths of all harbours and rivers by the way), to the mouth of the Waihi River, in Block III, Waihi North Survey District; thence south-westerly along a right line (in the direction of Ngakuriawhare Trig. Station, Block I, Katikati North) to the western boundary of the Tauranga Confiscation Block in thence south-easterly slong a right line forming the western boundary of the aforesaid Tauranga Confiscation Block and passing over Ngatamahinerau, Mimiotohanga, and Waianuanu to Te Weraiti Trig. Station; thence south-easterly along a right line to Puwhenua Trig. Station (in Block VII, Tapapa East Survey District); thence south-