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 on and after the 16th day of April, 1928, all the shops in each of the trades of (1) draper and (2) mercer within the Borough of Sumner shall be closed accordingly.

The notice dated the 20th December, 1922, and published in the New Zealand Gazette of the 21st December, 1922, fixing the closing-hours of (1) grocers' and (2) drapers' shops in the Borough of Sumner 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 28th day of March, 1928.

F. J. ROLLESTON, for Minister of Labour.

Notice under the Shops and Offices Act, 1921-22, and its Amendment, fixing the Closing-hours of Tobacconists' Shops within the City of Wanganui.

W HEREAS a requisition in writing has been forwarded to me from the occupiers of tobacconists' shops within the City of Wanganui pursuant to section 32 of the Shops and Offices Act, 1921-22:

Now, therefore, in pursuance of the said section 32, I George James Anderson, Minister of Labour, do hereby direct that on and after the 16th day of April, 1928, all tobacconists' shops within the said city shall be closed in the evening of working-days as follows: On Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Saturdays at 6 p.m. and on Fridays at 9 p.m., with the following exceptions:

(1) Should the occupier of any tobacconist's shop within the City of Wanganui observe any day other than Thursday as the statutory closing-day, the closing-hour for any such shop on Thursday shall be 6 p.m.

(2) The working day immediately preceding any of the following days—viz., Boxing Day, Good Friday, Easter Monday, Labour Day, the Birthday of the reigning Sovereign, and any day which, pursuant to a Proclamation by the Governor-General, or declaration by the Government, or on the request of the Mayor or Chairman of the local authority, is generally observed as a public holiday or half-holiday, when the closing-hour shall be 9 p.m.

(3) The working-day immediately preceding each day of the Wanganui Agricultural Show, the Wanganui Jockey Club's races, and the Wanganui Trotting Club's races, when the closing-hour shall be 9 p.m.

(4) The last fourteen working-days in the month of December and the first six working-days of January, when the closing-hour shall be 9 p.m., except on Christmas Eve and New Year's Eve, when the closing-hour shall be 11.30 p.m.

The notice dated the 11th November, 1925, and published in the New Zealand Gazette of the 12th November, 1925, fixing the closing-hours of tobacconists' shops within the City of Wanganui, shall be and is hereby cancelled as from the date of the coming into operation of this notice:

And whereas the said requisition is signed by not less than two-thirds of the occupiers of tobacconists' shops within the said city, notice is hereby given that, pursuant to section 25 of the Shops and Offices Amendment Act, 1927, all other shops within the said city in which smoking requisites are sold shall be closed at the same hours as are set out herein for tobacco-nists' shops: Provided that no such other shop which is closed for the statutory half-holiday on any day other than Saturday shall be required by the said section 25 to be closed earlier than 9 p.m. on Saturday.

Dated at Wellington, this 28th day of March, 1928.

F. J. ROLLESTON, for Minister of Labour.

Cancellation of Notice under the Shops and Offices Act, 1921-22, fixing the Closing-hours of Grocers' Shops in the Borough of

WHEREAS a requisition in writing, signed by a majority of the occupiers of all the grocers' shops in the Combined District of Ashburton, has been forwarded to me, desiring that the notice dated the 8th December, 1923, and published in the New Zealand Gazette of the 13th December, 1923, fixing the closing-hours of grocers' shops in the Borough of Ashburton be cancelled:

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 said shops within the said combined district:

Now, therefore, in pursuance of section 32 of the Shops and Offices Act, 1921–22, I do hereby direct that the said notice shall be and is hereby cancelled as from the date hereof.

Dated at Wellington, this 28th day of March, 1928.

F. J. ROLLESTON, for Minister of Labour.

Additional Notice under the Shops and Offices Act, 1921-22, and its Amendment, fixing the Closing-hours of Chemists' Shops within the Borough of Gisborne.

W HEREAS a requisition in writing, signed by a majority of the occupiers of all the chemists' shops within the Borough of Gisborne, has been forwarded to me, desiring that, in addition to the matters provided for in the notice dated the 14th July, 1921, and published in the New Zealand Gazette of the 21st July, 1921, fixing the closing hours of chemists' shops in the Borough of Gisborne, all such shops within the said borough be closed on Sundays except during the hour from 7 p.m. to 8 p.m.:

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 said shops within the

Now, therefore, in pursuance of section 32 of the Shops and Offices Act, 1921–22, and section 15 of the Shops and Offices Amendment Act, 1927, I do hereby direct that on and after the 16th day of April, 1928, all the chemists' shops within the Borough of Gisborne shall be closed accordingly.

Dated at Wellington, this 28th day of March, 1928.

F. J. ROLLESTON, for Minister of Labour.

Branch of Friendly Society registered.

Friendly Societies Department, Wellington, 23rd March, 1928.

THE Loyal Rangiwahia Lodge, No. 9577, situated at Rangiwahia, is registered as a branch of the Wanganui District of the New Zealand Branch of the Manchester Unity Independent Order of Oddfellows Friendly Society, under the Friendly Societies Act, 1909, this 23rd day of March, 1928.

> R. WITHEFORD, Registrar of Friendly Societies.

Boundaries of Borough of Woodville and County of Woodville altered.

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

At the Government Buildings at Wellington, this 29th day of March, 1928.

Present:

THE RIGHT HONOURABLE J. G. COATES, P.C., PRESIDING IN COUNCIL.

W HEREAS in pursuance of section one hundred and thirty-two of the Municipal Corporations Act, 1920, a petition was presented to the Governor-General praying that a certain area be excluded from the Borough of Woodville and included in the County of Woodville:

And whereas a Commission appointed under the said section held inquiries and recommended certain alterations of the said area;

And whereas it is deemed expedient to make the alterations of the boundaries of the said borough recommended by the said Commission:

Now, therefore, in pursuance and exercise of the powers and authorities vested in him by the Municipal Corporations Act, 1920, 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 declare that as on and from the first day of April, one thousand one hundred and twenty-eight, the area described in the Schedule hereto shall be excluded from the