2nd Lieutenant J. F. Thomas, from the Otago Regiment, to Special Order made by the Kirikiriroa Drainage Board fixing be 2nd Lieutenant, with seniority as from the 15th September 15th Representation of Subdivisions. ber, 1927, and is seconded for duty with the 4th C. Battalion. Dated 18th May, 1928.

Vivian Harold Thwaites to be 2nd Lieutenant (on probation), and seconded for duty with the 3rd C. Battalion. Dated 19th May, 1928.

The Nelson, Marlborough, and West Coast Regiment.

The undermentioned 2nd Lieutenants to be Lieutenants: O. J. Hutchison, 2nd C. Battalion. Dated 26th October,

J. E. R. Paterson, 1st C. Battalion. Dated 27th October, 1927.

The Otago Regiment.

Lieutenant A. W. White, 1st Battalion, to be Captain. Dated

24th February, 1928.
Lieutenant I. H. Galbraith, 1st Battalion, is transferred to the Wellington Regiment. Dated 14th May, 1928.
Lieutenant C. R. Russ, 1st Battalion, is transferred to the

Canterbury Regiment. Dated 15th May, 1928. 2nd Lieutenant J. F. Thomas, 1st Battalion, is transferred to the Canterbury Regiment. Dated 18th May, 1928.

N.Z. MEDICAL CORPS.

Captain T. W. Maben (Retired List) to be Captain and Quarter-master, Southern Depot, N.Z.M.C. Dated 4th May, 1928.

RESERVE OF OFFICERS.

2nd Lieutenant G. A. Vincent, M.M., is transferred from the Auckland Regiment (Countess of Ranfurly's Own) to the Wellington Regiment, Class II (b), R.D. 5. Dated 18th May, 1928.

CORPS OF N.Z. ENGINEERS.

The undermentioned are posted to the Retired List with permission to retain their rank and wear the prescribed uniform. Dated 22nd May, 1928.

Major A. W. Mouat. Lieutenant E. Allman-Marchant, Lieutenant A. G. Murch.

F. J. ROLLESTON, Minister of Defence.

$Result\ of\ Poll\ for\ Proposed\ Loan.$

Wellington, 23rd May, 1928. THE following notice, received from the Mayor, Gisborne Borough Council, is published in accordance with the provisions of the Local Bodies' Loans Act, 1926.

WM. DOWNIE STEWART, Minister of Finance.

GISBORNE BOROUGH COUNCIL.

PURSUANT to section 13 of the Local Bodies' Loans Act, 1926, I hereby give notice that at a poll of rate-payers of the Fox Street Special District of the Borough payers of the Fox Street Special District of the Borough of Gisborne, taken on the 17th day of May, 1928, upon the proposal to borrow the sum of £1,200 for the purpose of installing a water-supply and sewerage system in the above special district, and the votes recorded respectively for and against the proposal were as follows: For the proposal, 9; against the proposal, 2.

therefore declare the said proposal duly carried. Dated at Gisborne, this 19th day of May, 1928.

D. W. COLEMAN, Mayor.

Result of Poll for Proposed Loan.

Wellington, 1st June, 1928.

THE following notice, received from the Chairman, Banks
Peninsula Electric-power Board, is published in Peninsula Electric-power Board, is published in accordance with the provisions of the Local Bodies' Loans Act, 1926.

WM. DOWNIE STEWART. Minister of Finance.

BANKS PENINSULA ELECTRIC-POWER BOARD.

In pursuance of section 13 of the Local Bodies' Loans Act, 1926, I hereby notify that a loan proposal (sanctioned by the Loans Board) to raise a sum of £14,680 for development purposes in the Banks Peninsula Electric-power District was submitted to a poll of ratepayers on the 12th instant. The voting resulted as follows: For the proposal, 327; against the proposal, 90; informal, 10.

I hereby declare the said proposal to be carried.

Dated this 25th day of May, 1928.

J. ROBT. THACKER, Chairman.

Department of Internal Affairs,
Wellington, 1st June, 1928.

THE following special order made by the Kirikiriroa
Drainage Board is published in secondar. 1 Drainage Board is published in accordance with the provisions of the Land Drainage Act, 1908, and its amendments.

F. J. ROLLESTON, Acting Minister of Internal Affairs.

SPECIAL ORDER.

Kirikiriroa Drainage Board.

That the Kirikiriroa Drainage Board, under the provisions of section 2 of the Land Drainage Amendment Act, 1920, does hereby resolve by way of special order that the representation on the Board of Trustees for each subdivision of the Kirikiriroa Drainage District shall be as follows:—

Rototuna Subdivision

Three Trustees.

Horsham Downs Subdivision Komokorau Subdivision

.. Two Trustees. .. One Trustee.

(I.A. 19/196/11.)

Load-line Certificates issued by Portuguese Authorities to Portuguese Ships.

Marine Department Wellington, 29th May, 1928.

R. McCorquindale, Chairman.

THE following despatch and its enclosure, received by the Secretary of State for Dominion Affairs, are published for general information.

F. H. D. BELL, for Minister of Marine.

NEW ZEALAND

Dominions No. 171.

Downing Street, 3rd April, 1928. With reference to my despatch Dominions No. 107 of the 2nd March, I have the honour to transmit, for the information of His Majesty's Government in New Zealand, the accompanying copies of an extract from the London Gazette of the 23rd March, containing an Order in Council of the 22nd March regarding the recognition of Portuguese

load-line certificates.

I have, &c., L. S. Amery.

Governor-General, His Excellency General Sir C. Fergusson, Bart., LL.D., G.C.M.G., K.C.B., D.S.O., M.V.O., &c.

At the Court at Buckingham Palace, the 22nd day of March. 1928.

Present:

The King's Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

WHEREAS by section 445 of the Merchant Shipping Act, 1894, it is enacted that where the Board of Trade certify that the laws and regulations for the time being in force in any foreign country and relating to overloading and improper loading are equally effective with the provisions of that Act relating thereto, His Majesty in Council may direct that on proof of a ship of that country having complied with those laws and regulations, she shall not, when in a port of the United Kingdom, be liable to detention for non-compliance with the said provisions of that Act, nor shall there arise any liability to any fine or penalty which would otherwise arise for non-compliance with those provisions:

And whereas by section 1 of the Merchant Shipping Act, 1906, provision, as is more particularly therein mentioned, is made for explaint to form the provision to the control of the provision to th

is made for applying to foreign ships when in ports in the United Kingdom certain sections of the Merchant Shipping Act, 1894, which relate to load-line, without prejudice to any direction of His Majesty in Council given under the said section 445 of the last-mentioned Act:

And whereas the Board of Trade have certified that certain statutory, regulations, which have been approved by the

statutory regulations which have been approved by the Portuguese Government relating to overloading, so far as regards the assignment of load-lines to Fortuguese ships are equally effective with the corresponding regulations in force this country respecting the assignment of load-lines to

British merchant ships:

Now, therefore, His Majesty in Council doth direct that on proof that Portuguese ships have complied with the aforesaid Portuguese snips have compiled with the aloresaid Portuguese regulations, such ships shall not, when in ports of the United Kingdom, be liable to detention for non-compliance with the provisions of the Merchant Shipping Acts relating to overloading, nor shall there arise any liability to any fine or penalty which would otherwise arise for non-compliance with those provisions.

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