

which the money may be borrowed be not exceeding five and three-quarters per centum per annum :

Now, therefore, His Excellency the Governor-General of the Dominion of New Zealand, in pursuance and exercise of the power and authority vested in him as aforesaid, and acting by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of the said Dominion, doth hereby prescribe that the rate of interest that may be paid by the Napier Harbour Board in respect of the said sum of forty-seven thousand two hundred pounds shall be a rate not exceeding five and three-quarters per centum per annum, and the said Napier Harbour Board is hereby authorized to borrow the said sum of forty-seven thousand two hundred pounds accordingly.

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

*Validating Proceedings in connection with Nelson City Council's Improvements of Streets and Bridges, &c., Loan of £33,600.*

CHARLES FERGUSSON, Governor-General.  
ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government Buildings at Wellington, this 26th day of January, 1928.

Present :

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

WHEREAS the Nelson City Council in the year one thousand nine hundred and twenty-four proceeded to raise a special loan of thirty-three thousand six hundred pounds (hereinafter referred to as "the said loan") under the Local Bodies' Loans Act, 1913 (hereinafter referred to as "the said Act"), for the purpose of providing for improvements of streets and bridges, purchase of land for quarry extension, drainage extension and improvement (including conversion of steam pumping plant into electric and the purchase of machinery necessary therefor), improvements to the pipe-line and construction of other works at the waterworks dam, and improvements to the abattoir and the cemetery at Wakapuaka :

And whereas the proceedings in connection with the said loan were irregular or defective in that although the said loan was raised for more than one purpose, and the particular purposes for which the loan was required were duly stated, the sum proposed to be borrowed for each such purpose was not set forth in the notice published pursuant to section nine of the said Act (hereinafter referred to as "the said notice"), nor did the voting-paper used for the purposes of the poll taken on the proposal to raise the said loan (hereinafter referred to as "the voting-paper") contain particulars of the sum proposed to be borrowed for each such purpose :

And whereas the sum proposed to be borrowed for each such purpose should have been so stated in the said notice and in the voting-paper as follows :—

Purpose.	Amount. £
Improvements of streets .. .. .	12,000
Improvements of bridges .. .. .	2,000
Purchase of land for quarry extension .. .	1,800
Drainage extension and improvements (including conversion of steam pumping plant into electric, and the purchase of machinery necessary therefor) .. .. .	15,000
Improvements to the pipe-line and construction of other works at the waterworks dam .. .	1,200
Improvements to the abattoir .. .. .	800
Improvements to the cemetery at Wakapuaka .. .	800

And whereas it appears that the ratepayers of the district have not been misled by such irregularity or defect as aforesaid, and it is expedient to validate the same :

And whereas by section one hundred and twenty-six of the Local Bodies' Loans Act, 1926, the said Act is repealed, and it is enacted that all matters and proceedings commenced under the said Act and pending or in progress on the commencement of the reciting Act may be continued, completed, and enforced under the reciting Act :

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 reciting Act, and of all other powers and authorities enabling him in that behalf, 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 in connection with the said loan shall be valid to all intents and purposes as though the sum proposed to be borrowed for each such purpose had been stated in the said notice and in the voting-paper, as required by the said Act,

and had been so stated as being the respective sums hereinbefore set out for the respective purposes hereinbefore mentioned, and that the validity of the proceedings in connection with the said loan or the validity of the security for the said loan shall not be called in question by reason only of the irregularity or defect aforesaid.

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

(I.A. 19/159/267.)

*Exempting Certain Goods from Primage Duty.—(C. No. 52.)*

CHARLES FERGUSSON, Governor-General.  
ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government Buildings at Wellington, this 26th day of January, 1928.

Present :

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

IN pursuance and exercise of the powers and authorities conferred upon him by section fifteen of the Customs Amendment Act, 1921, 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 exempt from primage duty imposed by the aforesaid section fifteen of the said Act the classes of goods set out in the Schedule hereto.

SCHEDULE.

COTTON piece goods—viz., tubular woven cotton cloth specially suited for use as meat wraps; cheese bandages or caps.  
Woolpacks and wool-pockets.

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

*Altering Combined Districts under the Hospitals and Charitable Institutions Act, 1926.*

CHARLES FERGUSSON, Governor-General.  
ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government Buildings at Wellington, this 26th day of January, 1928.

Present :

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

WHEREAS by Order in Council made under the Hospitals and Charitable Institutions Act, 1909, on the ninth day of March, one thousand nine hundred and twenty-three, and published in the *Gazette* of the twenty-second day of March then instant, at page 773, amongst other matters the contributory districts of Akaroa Borough, Akaroa County, Mount Herbert County, and Wairewa County, all in the North Canterbury Hospital District, were constituted a combined district for the purpose of that Act :

And whereas the said Order in Council now enures for the purpose of the Hospitals and Charitable Institutions Act, 1926 :

And whereas it is expedient to add the Chatham Islands County to the combined district comprising the Akaroa Borough and the Akaroa, Mount Herbert, and Wairewa Counties :

Now, therefore, His Excellency the Governor-General, acting by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of the said Dominion, and in pursuance and exercise of the powers and authorities conferred on him by the last-mentioned Act, doth hereby revoke the constitution of the combined district of Akaroa Borough, Akaroa County, Mount Herbert County, and Wairewa County effected by the said Order in Council, and in lieu thereof doth hereby combine Akaroa Borough, Akaroa County, Mount Herbert County, Wairewa County, and Chatham Islands County into a combined district for the purpose of the last-mentioned Act, as fully and effectually as if the combined district as hereby constituted had been set out in the second column of the Schedule to the said Order in Council; and doth hereby declare that the number of representatives to be elected for the said combined district shall be one, and that the principal contributory local authority thereof shall be the Akaroa County as if such number of representatives and principal contributory local authority had been set out respectively in the third and second columns of the said Schedule, and doth hereby fix the date of the first election of the representative of the said