New Zealand Inscribed Stock Act, 1917.—Closing of Registers.

The Treasury, Wellington, 19th January, 1931.

NorticE is hereby given that the Registers of New Zealand 5½, 5½, and 5½ per-cent. Inscribed Stock, maturing 15th February, 1932, 15th August, 1933, and 15th February, 1937, will be closed from the 2nd February to 15th February, 1931 (inclusive), for the purpose of the issue of half-yearly interest.

E. A. RANSOM, for Minister of Finance,

Result of Poll for Proposed Loan.

Wellington, 21st January, 1931. HE following notice, received from the Chairman, North Canterbury Electric-power Board, is published in accordance with the provisions of the Local Bodies' Loans Act, 1926.

GEORGE WILLIAM FORBES, Minister of Finance.

NORTH CANTERBURY ELECTRIC-POWER BOARD.

PURSUANT to section 12 of the Local Bodies' Loans Act, 1926, I hereby give notice that at a poll of the ratepayers of those portions of the Oxford and Eyre Counties recently included in the Board's Inner Area, taken on the 17th day of January, 1931, on the proposal of the North Canterbury Electric-power Board to borrow the sum of thirteen thousand two hundred pounds (£13,200) for the purposes of carrying out and paying for the work of electrical reticulation, erecting mains, and for the work of electrical reticulation, erecting mains, and providing material and things necessary or incidental to extending the Board's electrical supply to those additional portions of the Oxford and Eyre Counties recently gazetted part of the Board's Inner Area, and fully described in the New Zealand Gazette, 1930, No. 30, page 1414, in respect of which works, guarantees, as described in clause 12 (1) of the Electrical Supply Regulations, 1927, have first been given in favour of the Power Board, for payments amounting in each of not less than ten consecutive years from the completion of such works, to 16 per cent. of the estimated capital cost of such works; and supplying such areas with electrical cost of such works; and supplying such areas with electrical energy and power, and exercising the power conferred on the Board by sections 118, 119, and 120 of the Electric-power Boards Act, 1925 (Advances).

The number of votes recorded for the proposal was 19;

the number of votes recorded against the proposal was 7. I therefore declare that the proposal was carried. Dated at Rangiora, this 20th day of January, 1931.

HENRY TOLLOTT, Chairman of the Board.

Election of Members of Fire Boards by Insurance Companies.

Department of Internal Affairs,
Wellington, 23rd January, 1931.

PURSUANT to the Fire Brigades Act, 1926, and the rules
made thereunder, it is hereby notified that an election
by the insurance companies carrying on business in New
Zealand as members of the undermentioned Fire Boards will
be held on Monday, the 22rd February, 1921, in the manner be held on Monday, the 23rd February, 1931, in the manner prescribed by the said Act and rules. The number of members to be elected in the case of Auckland, Wanganui, Wellington, Christchurch, and Dunedin Fire Boards shall be

three, in all others, two members Auckland Fire Board. Balclutha Fire Board. Birkenhead Fire Board. Christchurch Fire Board. Dannevirke Fire Board. Dargaville Fire Board. Dunedin Fire Board. Eltham Fire Board. Feilding Fire Board. Foxton Fire Board. Gisborne Fire Board. Greymouth Fire Board. Hamilton Fire Board. Hastings Fire Board. Hawera Fire Board. Hikurangi Fire Board. Hokitika Fire Board. Invercargill Fire Board. Kaiapoi Fire Board. Kaitangata Fire Board. Lawrence Fire Board. Levin Fire Board. Masterton Fire Board. Milton Fire Board. Mount Roskill Fire Board. Napier Fire Board. New Plymouth Fire Board.

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Oamaru Fire Board Ohakune Fire Board. Onehunga Fire Board. Opotiki Fire Board. Otaki Fire Board.
Pahiatua Fire Board.
Palmerston North Fire Board. Petone Fire Board. Port Chalmers Fire Board. Pukekohe Fire Board. Rotorua Fire Board. Taihape Fire Board. Taumarunui Fire Board. Tauranga Fire Board. Te Aroha Fire Board. Te Awamutu Fire Board. Timaru Fire Board. Waihi Fire Board. Waipukurau Fire Board. Wairoa Fire Board. Waitara Fire Board. Wanganui Fire Board. Wellington Fire Board. Westport Fire Board. Whangarei Fire Board. Woodville Fire Board.

P. A. DE LA PERRELLE, Minister of Internal Affairs. The Runanga Borough Council By-law Number 1 confirmed under the By-laws Act, 1910.

Department of Internal Affairs,

Wellington, 24th January, 1931. Weinington, 24th January, 1931.

THE following certificate has been executed on the sealed copy of the Rupanga Rosensk Committee on the sealed November, 1930.

P. A. DE LA PERRELLE, Minister of Internal Affairs.

CERTIFICATE OF CONFIRMATION.

In pursuance of the By-laws Act, 1910, I hereby confirm the within-written by-law, and declare that the same came into force on the 15th day of November, 1930.

Dated this 24th day of January, 1931.

P. A. DE LA PERRELLE, Minister of Internal Affairs.

(I.A. 19/41/57.)

The Gore Borough By-law Number 3, 1930, confirmed under the By-laws Act, 1910.

Department of Internal Affairs,

Wellington, 24th January, 1931.

THE following certificate has been executed on the sealed copy of the Gore Borough By-law Number 3, 1930, made by the Gore Borough Council on the 1st day of December,

P. A. DE LA PERRELLE, Minister of Internal Affairs.

CERTIFICATE OF CONFIRMATION.

In pursuance of the By-laws Act, 1910, I hereby confirm the within-written by-law, and declare that the same came into force on the 15th day of December, 1930.

Dated this 24th day of January, 1931.

P. A. DE LA PERRELLE, Minister of Internal Affairs.

(I.A. 19/41/40.)

The Bay of Islands County By-law Number 7 confirmed under the By-laws Act, 1910.

Department of Internal Affairs,
Wellington, 24th January, 1931.

THE following certificate has been executed on the sealed copy of the Bay of Islands County Policy copy of the Bay of Islands County By-law Number 7, made by the Bay of Islands County Council on the 11th day of December, 1930.

P. A. DE LA PERRELLE, Minister of Internal Affairs.

CERTIFICATE OF CONFIRMATION.

In pursuance of the By-laws Act, 1910, I hereby confirm the within-written by-law, and declare that the same came into force on the 22nd day of December, 1930.

Dated this 24th day of January, 1931.

P. A. DE LA PERRELLE, Minister of Internal Affairs.

(I.A. 19/18/43.)

Amending Rules for the Examination of Masters and Mates.

Marine Department, Wellington, 21st January, 1931.

Netington, 21st January, 1931.

In pursuance and exercise of the powers vested in me by section 23 of the Shipping and Seamen Act, 1908, I do hereby make the following rules, amending the rules of the 10th day of December, 1930, and published in the Gazette of the fifteenth day of the same month at page 3783, for the conduct of examination of masters and mates and as to the qualification of applicants therefor; and I do hereby order that these amending rules shall come into force on the date of publication thereof in the Gazette. publication thereof in the Gazette.

JAS. B. DONALD, Minister of Marine.

RULES.

- 1. Rule 34 of the hereinbefore-recited rules is hereby amended by adding the following proviso thereto:-
- "Provided that any candidate who, before the 1st day of January, 1929, was indentured as an apprentice to the seaservice, or went to sea in any other capacity qualifying for examination, or began his qualifying service on board a training-ship, may be admitted to examination for a certificate