MINISTER'S DECISIONS UNDER CUSTOMS ACTS-continued.

Record.			Rate of Duty.		
	Goods,	Classification under Tariff, and Item No.	British Preferential Tariff.	General Tariff.	
3/790	Machinery, &c., and appliances—continued. Measuring, testing, &c., viz.,— Gauge, the "Te-Bo," for gauging the bore limits in cylinders	Free	Free.*		
3/523/2	Metal, manufactured articles of, &c., n.e.i., viz.:— Hangers for line-ears of electric tramway power- lines	As manufactured articles of metal, or hardware, &c., n.e.i. (356)	20 per cent.	45 per cent.	
12/6/5	Surgeons' appliances, instruments, and materials, viz.:— Audiometer, Western Electric Co.'s No. 2A	As surgical instruments, &c. (134 (2))	Free	Free.*	

* Under Section 11, Customs Amendment Act, 1927.

Note.—The decision on "Vanilla-pods" on page 111 of the Tariff-book is cancelled.

GEO. CRAIG, Comptroller of Customs. Minister's Order No. 49.]

Population of the Dominion.

RETURN of the Estimated Population of the Dominion of New Zealand, Dependencies, and Mandated Territory.

	Males,	Females.	Total.
Estimated population (including Maoris) of New Zealand proper, 30th September, 1932 Estimated population of Cook Islands, Niue, &c., 30th June, 1932 Estimated population of Tokelau Islands, August, 1931	7,817 528	7,493 520	1,048
Estimated population of the Mandated Territory of Western Samos, 30th June, 1932 .	23,945	22,326	46,271
Estimated total population of the Dominion of New Zealand, Dependencies, an Mandated Territory	810,963	778,733	1,589,696
New Zealand proper, 30th September, 1932:—			
(a) Estimated population (excluding Maoris)	742,159	714,690	1,456,849
(b) Estimated Maori population	. 36,514	33,704	70,218
(a) Estimated population (including Maoris)	508,006	478,039	986,045
(b) ,, (excluding Maoris) South Island,	473,099	445,794	918,893
(a) Estimated population (including Maoris)	270,667	270,355	541,022
(t) , (excluding Maoris)	269,060	268,896	537,956

During the quarter ended 30th September, 1932, the population showed an increase of 2,146 compared with an increase of 3,497 during the corresponding quarter of 1931.

Census and Statistics Office, Wellington, 31st October, 1932.

J. W. BUTCHER, Government Statistician.

Public Trust Office Act, 1908, and its Amendments.—Election to administer Estates.

N OTICE is hereby given that the Public Trustee has filed in the Supreme Court an election to administer in respect of the several estates of the persons deceased whose names, residences, and occupations (so far as known) are hereunder set forth.

No.	Name.	Occupation.	Residence.	Date of Death.	Date Election filed.	Testate or Intestate.	Stamp Office concerned.
1	Godfrey, Isabella	Married woman	Wanganui	8/10/32	29/10/32	Intestate	Wellington.
2	Hamilton, James	Farmer	Christchurch	18/10/32	29/10/32	,,	Christchurch.
3	Hemmingsen, Christen	Brewer	Palmerston North	28/8/32	26/10/32	Testate	Napier.
4	Henderson, James	Farmer	Ashburton	7/10/32	29/10/32	.,	Christchurch.
5	Henry, Samuel	Retired farmer	Waitahuna	3/5/30	29/10/32	Intestate	Dunedin.
6	Hunter, David	Butcher, formerly retired factory employee	Dunedin	20/9/32	26/10/32	Testate	,,
7	Hunter, John	Blacksmith	Masterton	8/8/32	26/10/32	Intestate	Wellington.
8	Korting, Jenny Luise Doro- thea	Spinster	Hamburg, Ger- many	9/9/24	29/10/32	,,	"
9	McCuliough, Emma	Married woman	Auckland	15/9/32	26/10/32	,,	Auckland.
10	Shearer, Catherine	,,,	Stromness, Orkney Islands, Scotland	4/3/31	29/10/32	,,	,,
11	Sherwood, Elizabeth	,,	Palmerston North	3/7/31	29/10/32	,,	Wellington.
12	Smith, Winifred	Spinster	Nelson	11/10/32	26/10/32	Testate	Nelson.
13	Stewart, John	Law clerk	Dunedin	27/1/30	26/10/32	,,	Blenheim.
14	Wilkinson, Tom	Greengrocer, for- merly miner	Kew, Victoria, for- merly Mokihinui, New Zealand	7/6/32	29/10/32	***	Wellington.

Public Trust Office, Wellington, 31st October, 1932.

J. W. MACDONALD, Public Trustee.