PUBLIC HOLIDAYS AND OTHER SPECIAL OCCASIONS.

4. (1) All schools shall be closed on the following days and on such special occasions as the Education Board or governing body may, in its discretion, decide:—

Good Friday.

Easter Monday. Easter Tuesday.

Anzac Day (when this day falls on a school day).

Birthday of the reigning Sovereign.

Labour Day (the fourth Monday in October).

Anniversary Day of the province (when this day falls on a school day). The day of a parliamentary election (if the school building is required for electoral purposes).

(2) The Education Board may delegate to a School Committee power to grant holidays for special occasions not exceeding three days or six half-days in any calendar year.

(3) Nothing in these regulations shall be deemed to prevent the closing of a school in exceptional and unforeseen circumstances.

Power to vary Regulations.

5. The Director may approve of such variation of the requirements of these regulations as may be necessary to meet climatic or other special conditions existing in any Education District or part of a district.

Notifications.

6. (1) The Director shall cause to be published in the *Education Gazette* of August in every year a statement of the general requirements of these regulations in respect of the part ensuing year.

regulations in respect of the next ensuing year.

(2) Every Education Board and every governing body of a secondary school, technical school, or combined school, shall notify the Director not later than the 1st day of November in every year of the dates of opening and closing which have been fixed for the next ensuing year in accordance with the provisions of these regulations.

MINIMUM LENGTH OF SCHOOL YEAR.

7. These regulations shall be read subject to the Order in Council dated 7th November, 1923, as amended by the Order in Council dated 13th December, 1927, relating to the minimum length of the school year, which shall apply also to combined schools.

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

(Note.—The following is the regulation referred to in clause 7:—

"Every public school shall be open in each calendar year for not less than four hundred half-days, and every secondary school, technical school, and technical high school shall be open in each calendar year for not less than three hundred and eighty half-days, unless it is shown to the satisfaction of the Minister that the closing of the school is necessary owing to the prevalence of epidemics or other sufficient cause.")

Amending Training College Regulations.

BLEDISLOE, Governor-General. ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government House at Wellington, this 13th day of November 1933.

${\bf Present}:$

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL IN COUNCIL.

In pursuance and exercise of the powers conferred on him by the Education Act, 1914, and of all other powers 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 amend the regulations relating to training colleges; and with the like advice and consent doth prescribe that this Order shall come into force on the date of publication thereof in the New Zealand Gazette.