

*Notice to Persons in whom is vested Ecclesiastical Authority over Religious Bodies.*

Office of the Registrar-General,  
Wellington, 27th November, 1934.

THE attention of the persons or person within the Dominion of New Zealand in whom is vested ecclesiastical authority over any of the religious bodies enumerated in the Third Schedule annexed to an Act of the General Assembly of New Zealand intitled the Marriage Act, 1908, and of all other persons concerned, is directed to the 11th section of the above-mentioned Act, requiring the several ecclesiastical authorities as aforesaid to send in to the Registrar-General, in the month of December in every year, a correct list of their Officiating Ministers within the meaning of the Marriage Act, 1908, of each of the said religious bodies.

The following are the religious bodies above referred to:—

- The Church of the Province of New Zealand, commonly called the Church of England.
- The Presbyterian Church of New Zealand.
- The Roman Catholic Church.
- The Methodist Church of New Zealand.
- All Congregational Independents.
- Baptists.
- The Lutheran Church.
- All Hebrew Congregations.
- The Society of Friends.
- The Salvation Army.

In default of any person having ecclesiastical authority over any of the religious bodies named above, the name of the Officiating Minister of any congregation of such religious body may be certified to by two recognized office-bearers thereof.

A minister of religion not connected with any of the aforesaid bodies must send to the Registrar-General in the month of December in each year a certificate signed—

- (a) By the recognized head in New Zealand of the religious body to which he belongs; or
- (b) By two duly recognized ministers of such religious body; or
- (c) By ten adult members thereof, who append to their signatures their description as being such members, declaring that such minister is their Officiating Minister, the said signatures and descriptions being attested by some person who shall verify the signatures to the certificate as the genuine signatures of the persons whose they purport to be, by a statutory declaration signed by such person and appended to the certificate.

In each case enumerated under paragraphs (a), (b), and (c) above, the Minister of Justice must be satisfied that the body of persons named in the certificate is a religious body, and that the applicant is a minister of religion and is a person of good character and otherwise qualified to act as an Officiating Minister. In the case of the religious body known as "Brethren" a special form of certificate will be supplied on application.

Neglect in sending the certificate will deprive the minister of his status as an Officiating Minister under the Marriage Act.

A woman shall not be disqualified by reason of her sex from being an Officiating Minister within the meaning of the Marriage Act, or from having her name entered upon the List of Officiating Ministers compiled for the purposes of that Act.

(N.B.—It is requested that the *Christian names* and the *addresses* of the several ministers may be specified in the lists sent in to the Registrar-General.)

In order to obviate the necessity for further inquiry, it is also requested that the reason for omitting the name of any minister be stated (such as on account of death, absence from New Zealand, or as the case may be).

G. G. HODGKINS, Deputy Registrar-General.

*Officiating Ministers for 1934.—Notice No. 43.*

Registrar-General's Office,  
Wellington, 27th November, 1934.

PURSUANT to the provisions of the Marriage Act, 1908, the following names of Officiating Ministers within the meaning of the said Act are published for general information:—

*The Roman Catholic Church.*  
The Reverend Patrick Fahey.

*The Spiritualist Church of New Zealand.*  
Mrs. Mary Manson Dreaver.

*Church of True Spiritual Light.*  
Mrs. Jessie Elizabeth Ryan.

G. G. HODGKINS, Deputy Registrar-General.

*Notice to Mariners No. 50 of 1934.*

Marine Department,  
Wellington, N.Z., 27th November, 1934.

ADMIRALTY PUBLICATIONS.—NEW CHART.

A NEW chart, No. 2532, Banks Peninsula to Otago Peninsula, dated 3rd September, 1934, has been published by the Hydrographer and may be purchased at Mercantile Marine Offices in the Dominion.

The coastline and topography is taken from surveys made by the New Zealand Lands and Survey Department, 1889-1926. The soundings and coastline, from near Vulcan Point to Cape Saunders, are from a survey made by the Otago Harbour Board, 1931.

Insets of Timaru and Oamaru harbours from surveys made by the respective Harbour Boards in 1933 are also shown.

The issue of the chart cancels all existing copies and also the caution and remarks made in sailing directions concerning the incorrect charting of the coastline between Timaru and Banks Peninsula.

*Publications affected:* New Zealand Pilot, 1930, pages 281 and 285; New Zealand Nautical Almanac and Tide-tables, page 281; 1935 edition, page 273.

L. B. CAMPBELL, Secretary.

*The Industrial Conciliation and Arbitration Act, 1925.—Notice of Cancellation of Registration.*

Department of Labour,  
Wellington, 23rd November, 1934.

NOTICE is hereby given that the registration of the Auckland Chain Grocery Stores Industrial Union of Employers, registered number 1420, situated at Auckland, is hereby cancelled as from the date of the publication of this notice in the *Gazette*.

HENRY E. MOSTON,  
Deputy Registrar of Industrial Unions.

*Branch of Friendly Society registered.*

Friendly Societies Department,  
Wellington, 24th November, 1934.

THE St. Patrick's Branch, No. 857, with registered office at Patea, is registered as a branch of The New Zealand District of the Hibernian-Australasian Catholic Benefit Society Friendly Society, under the Friendly Societies Act, 1909, this 24th day of November, 1934.

G. E. BRADLEY,  
Deputy Registrar of Friendly Societies.

*Branch of Friendly Society registered.*

Friendly Societies Department,  
Wellington, 24th November, 1934.

THE St. Joseph's Branch, No. 858, with registered office at Wellington, is registered as a branch of The New Zealand District of the Hibernian-Australasian Catholic Benefit Society Friendly Society, under the Friendly Societies Act, 1909, this 24th day of November, 1934.

G. E. BRADLEY,  
Deputy Registrar of Friendly Societies.

*Branch of Friendly Society registered.*

Friendly Societies Department,  
Wellington, 24th November, 1934.

THE Pride of Bluff Rebekah Lodge, No. 16, with registered office at Bluff, is registered as a branch of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows of New Zealand Friendly Society, under the Friendly Societies Act, 1909, this 24th day of November, 1934.

G. E. BRADLEY,  
Deputy Registrar of Friendly Societies.

*Branch of Friendly Society registered.*

Friendly Societies Department,  
Wellington, 24th November, 1934.

THE Ruapehu Rebekah Lodge, No. 81, with registered office at Taumarunui, is registered as a branch of The Independent Order of Odd Fellows of New Zealand Friendly Society, under the Friendly Societies Act, 1909, this 24th day of November, 1934.

G. E. BRADLEY,  
Deputy Registrar of Friendly Societies.