MINISTER'S DECISIONS UNDER CUSTOMS ACTS—*continued.*

Record.	Goods.	Classified under Tariff Item No.	Rate of Duty. British Preferential Tariff.	Rate of Duty. General Tariff.
	Valves, cocks, and similar articles of brass or other copper alloy, viz.:—			
12–3/233/3	Capstan heads, brass, being handles (in the rough) for brass taps	353 (1)	..	..
	Wire, metal, plain, viz.:—			
†12–3/181/3	For the purposes of Tariff item 357 (10) the term "wire" is deemed to apply to material (not including hoop- or strip-iron) wound in coils or on reels (irrespective of the diameter or cross-sectional area of such material) and to similar material in straight lengths having, in the case of material of circular cross-section, a diameter not exceeding $\frac{3}{16}$ inch and, in the case of material of other than circular cross-section, a cross-sectional area not exceeding 0·0276 square inch (NOTE.—Revises definition of iron "wire" and "rod" on page 217 of Tariff-book.)	..	..	..

Minister's Order No. 12.] E. D. GOOD, Comptroller of Customs.

RESERVE BANK OF NEW ZEALAND

STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES OF THE RESERVE BANK OF NEW ZEALAND AS AT THE CLOSE OF BUSINESS ON MONDAY, 23RD MARCH, 1936.

Liabilities.	£	s.	d.
1. Paid-up capital	500,000	0	0
2. General Reserve Fund	1,000,000	0	0
3. Bank-notes	9,979,576	0	0
4. Demand liabilities—			
(a) State	8,602,768	15	4
(b) Banks	9,649,933	0	0
(c) Other	136,898	4	1
5. Time deposits	..		
6. Liabilities in currencies other than New Zealand currency	..		
7. Other liabilities	143,686	2	0
	£30,012,862	1	5

Assets.	£	s.	d.
8. Reserve—			
(a) Gold	2,801,733	0	0
(b) Sterling exchange	25,147,238	12	2
(c) Gold exchange	..		
9. Subsidiary coin	202,854	6	1
10. Discounts—			
(a) Commercial and agricultural bills	..		
(b) Treasury and local-body bills	..		
11. Advances—			
(a) To the State or State undertakings	..		
(b) To other public authorities ..	..		
(c) Other	..		
12. Investments	1,821,302	11	0
13. Bank buildings	..		
14. Other assets	39,733	12	2
	£30,012,862	1	5

Proportion of reserve (No. 8 less No. 6) to notes and other demand liabilities, 98·518 per cent.

W. R. EGGERS, Acting Chief Accountant.

CROWN LANDS NOTICES.

Education Reserve in Taranaki Land District for Selection on Renewable Lease.

District Lands and Survey Office,
New Plymouth, 24th March, 1936.

NOTICE is hereby given that the undermentioned section is open for selection on renewable lease (term, thirty-three years) under the Education Reserves Act, 1928; and applications will be received at the District Lands and Survey Office, New Plymouth, up to 4 o'clock p.m. on Monday, 20th April, 1936.

Applicants should appear personally for examination at the District Lands and Survey Office, New Plymouth, on Wednesday, 22nd April, 1936, at 10 o'clock a.m., but if any applicant is unable to attend he may be examined by any other Land Board or by any Commissioner of Crown Lands.

The ballot will be held immediately upon conclusion of the examination of applicants.

SCHEDULE.

TARANAKI LAND DISTRICT.—EDUCATION RESERVE.—FIRST-CLASS LAND.

Stratford County.—Ngaere Survey District.

Sections 111 and 130, and Subdivision 2 of Section 112, Block II: Area, 105 acres 3 roods 14 perches. Capital value, £1,500; half-yearly rent, £30.

Weighted with £1,230 for improvements, comprising dwelling, cow-byre, water-supply, fencing, felling and grassing. This sum is payable by £100 cash, balance of £1,130 to remain on instalment-mortgage under the Discharged Soldiers Settlement Act.

A dairying property, situated on the Beaconsfield Road, two miles from Wharehuia School and Dairy Factory, and three miles by metalled road from Stratford Post-office, Railway-station, and Saleyards. Level to undulating land, the soil being a loam resting on clay formation; watered by streams. Subdivided into eight paddocks. There is some ragwort in pastures which, however, should be easily controlled by proper farming.

Form of lease may be perused and any further particulars required may be obtained at the office of the undersigned.

F. H. WATERS,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

(L. and S. 26/17668.)

Land in Wellington Land District for Selection on Renewable Lease.

District Lands and Survey Office,
Wellington, 24th March, 1936.

NOTICE is hereby given that the undermentioned section is open for selection on renewable lease under the Land Act, 1924; and applications will be received at the District Lands and Survey Office, Wellington, up to 4 o'clock p.m. on Monday, 27th April, 1936.

Applicants should appear personally for examination at the District Lands and Survey Office, Wellington, on Wednesday, 29th April, 1936, at 10.30 o'clock a.m., but if any applicant is unable to attend he may be examined by any other Land Board or by any Commissioner of Crown Lands.

The ballot will be held immediately upon conclusion of the examination of applicants.