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, 18TH NOVEMBER, 1940.

Liabilities.	£	s.	d.
1. General Reserve Fund	1,500,000	0	0
2. Bank-notes	20,703,508	10	0
3. Demand liabilities—			
(*a*) State	6,463,468	3	9
(*b*) Banks	13,097,167	3	5
(*c*) Other	305,666	9	0
4. Time deposits	..		
5. Liabilities in currencies other than New Zealand currency	785,097	11	7
6. Other liabilities	894,570	13	8
	£(N.Z.)43,749,478	11	5

Assets.	£	s.	d.
7. Reserve—			
(*a*) Gold	2,801,852	0	0
(*b*) Sterling exchange*	9,274,593	10	6
(*c*) Gold exchange	..		
8. Subsidiary coin	69,728	4	7
9. Discounts—			
(*a*) Commercial and agricultural bills	..		
(*b*) Treasury and local-body bills	..		
10. Advances—			
(*a*) To the State or State undertakings—			
(1) Marketing Department	3,252,555	6	5
(2) For other purposes ..	23,690,000	0	0
(*b*) To other public authorities ..	..		
(*c*) Other	..		
11. Investments	3,771,823	13	0
12. Bank buildings	..		
13. Other assets	888,925	16	11
	£(N.Z.)43,749,478	11	5

* Expressed in New Zealand currency.

Proportion of reserve (No. 7 less No. 5) to notes and other demand liabilities, 27·832 per cent.

W. R. EGGERS, Chief Accountant.

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

Office of the Registrar-General,
Wellington, 14th November, 1940.

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 intituled 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.

Public Service Superannuation Act, 1927.—Election of Member of Teachers' Superannuation Board.

Education Department,
Wellington, 21st November, 1940.

NOTICE is hereby given that an election will be held for the purpose of electing as a member of the Teachers' Superannuation Board a person from among the contributors to the Teachers' Superannuation Fund residing in the South Island (including Stewart and Chatham Islands) to fill an extraordinary vacancy caused by the death of Mr. William Fulton Abel : And notice is further given that—

(1) The said election will be held on Thursday, the 16th day of January, 1941, at the offices of the Education Department, Wellington.
(2) The poll will be closed at 5 o'clock p.m.
(3) Nominations will close on Wednesday, the 18th day of December, 1940, at 4.30 o'clock p.m.

Dated at Wellington, this 21st day of November, 1940.

A. E. McKINNON,
Secretary to the Teachers' Superannuation Board,
Returning Officer.