

44. Information as to the forms kept in the Registry Office for the convenience of societies, and sent free on application, is to be found in Appendix IV.

TRADE UNIONS.

Registration.

45. The following were registered under "The Trade Union Act, 1878," during the year 1890—viz., the New Zealand Federated Wharf Labourers' Union; the Mercantile Marine Officers' Association of Australasia; the New Zealand Federated Wharf Carters', Expressmen's, and Storemen's Union; the Southland Trades and Labour Union; the Associated Iron and Brass Moulders of New Zealand; the Amalgamated Society of Railway Servants of New Zealand; the New Zealand Fishermen's Union; the New Zealand Federated Timber Workers' and Furniture Trade Association; the Wellington and District Amalgamated Butchers' Employés' Union; the New Zealand Federated Fellmongers', Skinners', Tanners', and Carriers' Union; the New Zealand Federated Butchers Employés' Union; the Amalgamated Labour Union; the New Zealand Gasworks Employés' Union; the Dunedin Boot Machinists' and Fitters' Union; the Shipmasters' Association of New Zealand; the Association of the Master Ironworkers and Farriers of the Provincial District of Auckland; the United Millers', Engine-drivers', and Mill Employés' Society of New Zealand; the Amalgamated Shearers and General Labourers' Union of New Zealand; and the Canterbury Fishermen's Union.

Amendments of Rules.

46. Complete amendments of rules were registered on the application of the Dunedin Operative Bootmakers' Union, the Federated Stewards' and Cooks' Union of Australasia, the New Zealand Federated Bootmakers' Union, and the New Zealand Federated Wharf Labourers' Union; also partial amendments of rules of the Wellington Operative Bootmakers' Society, and the Southland Fishermen's, Oystermen's, and Lumpers' Union.

47. A list of registered trade unions, as at 31st December, 1890, is shown in Appendix VII.

48. Statistics relating to trade unions, compiled from the latest returns received, are given in Appendix VIII. This table is unavoidably incomplete, the annual returns to this office not being due until the end of June.

May, 1891.

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