69 A.—2.

I am to add that the above procedure obtains in the United Kingdom in the case of a University candidate who for the purpose of attachment to a Regular unit is appointed to a temporary commission on the unattached list of the Territorial Force, and reverts to his rank in the contingent of the Officers Training Corps on completion of that attachment. In the event of failure to obtain a Regular commission, or relinquishing his candidature, the temporary appointment to the Territorial Force is cancelled.

I am, &c.,

The Under-Secretary of State, Colonial Office, Whitehall, S.W.

R. H. Brade.

No. 77.

New Zealand, No. 379.

My Lord,— Downing Street, 3rd October, 1913.

With reference to my despatch, No. 248, of the 7th July, I have the honour to request Your Excellency to inform your Ministers that the Board of Agriculture and Fisheries have decided to withdraw altogether the provisions of Chapter I (Importation) of the Horses (Importation and Transit) Order of 1912, and to substitute therefor new provisions. The Board have accordingly issued a new order entitled the Horses (Importation and Transit) Order of 1913, which came into operation on the 1st instant.

2. I enclose, for your Ministers' information, copies of the new order, and of a memorandum prepared by the Board of Agriculture and Fisheries describing its effect.

I have, &c.,

L. HARCOURT.

Governor His Excellency the Right Hon. the Earl of Liverpool, K.C.M.G., M.V.O., &c.

No. 78.

New Zealand, No. 381.

My Lord,— Downing Street, 3rd October, 1913.

With reference to my despatch, No. 382, of the 15th November, 1911, A.-1, 1914, I have the honour to transmit to Your Excellency, for the information of your No. 37. Ministers, three copies of a circular which has been issued by the Board of Trade containing a list of technical schools attendance at which is recognized as justifying the remission of some period of the service required to qualify a candidate for examination for a certificate of competency as engineer in the mercantile marine.

I have, &c.,

L. HARCOURT.

Governor His Excellency the Right Hon. the Earl of Liverpool, K.C.M.G., M.V.O., &c.

Enclosure.

Examination of Engineers.—Instruction to Examiners and Notice to Candidates.

Board of Trade, Marine Department, September, 1913.

The following is a list of technical schools attendance at which is recognized by the Board of Trade as affording remission of some period of the service required to qualify a candidate for examination for a certificate of competency as engineer. This list supplements that contained in Appendix K of the Regulations relating to the Examination of Engineers in the Mercantile Marine.

(I.) DAY CLASSES.

When nothing is stated to the contrary, time spent in attending the day classes in mechanical engineering of a recognized technical school is accepted as equivalent to artisan service at the ratio of three years of the former to two of the latter, provided the applicant was over fifteen years of age and can produce the principal's certificate for continuous and regular attendance at all the approved classes and for satisfactory progress. Such time cannot as a rule be accepted as equivalent to more than two years' artisan service.