

Promotions and Transfers.

Position to which appointed.	Officers promoted and Previous Position.	Date.
Commissioner of Crown Lands and Chief Surveyor, Blenheim	H. D. McKellar, Chief Draughtsman, Wellington	April, 1917.
Chief Draughtsman, Wellington ..	R. S. Galbraith, Chief Draughtsman, Invercargill	„ „
Chief Draughtsman, Invercargill ..	A. H. Vickerman, Draughtsman, Auckland ..	„ „
Draughtsman in Charge, Native Branch, Wellington	G. H. M. Moir, Draughtsman, Wellington ..	October, „

Officers transferred to or working for other Departments.

In addition to the depletion of the staff through officers joining the Expeditionary Force, several have been transferred to other Departments, either permanently or temporarily, to cope with pressure therein caused through the war and increase of business. These include—

Affleck, Miss A. C., shorthand-writer and typist in charge, Head Office : Transferred to Public Service Commissioner's office, July, 1917.

Archibald, C. E., Chief Clerk and Receiver of Land Revenue, Dunedin : Transferred to Public Trust Office for two years from March, 1918.

Bennett, J., Record Clerk, Head Office : Temporarily transferred to office of Government Statistician, June, 1917 ; subsequently appointed Record Clerk, Department of Internal Affairs.

Cumming, R. W. : On leave since the 1st July, 1917 ; joined Expeditionary Force as Lieut.-Colonel ; now employed at Featherston Military Camp as Lieut.-Colonel Instructor in Infantry Training.

Duncan, A. W., clerk, Christchurch : Acted as Secretary to Canterbury Military Service Board from October, 1916, to January, 1918.

Duncan, F. E., clerk, Head Office : Transferred to Public Trust Office, August, 1916.

Farmer, R. H., Crown Lands Ranger, Nelson : Transferred to Valuation Department, November, 1917.

Mackintosh, H. W. C., clerk, Auckland : On leave ; working with Department of Imperial Government Supplies from February, 1917.

Porch, N. S. C., Record Clerk, Auckland : Transferred to Public Trust Office, March, 1918.

Quinn, J. F., clerk, Head Office : Transferred to Public Trust Office, December, 1916.

Nilson, J. G., clerk, Christchurch : Transferred to Public Trust Office, August, 1916.

Sapsford, S. H., clerk, Christchurch : Transferred to Defence Department, September, 1914 ; subsequently transferred to Department of Internal Affairs, Statistical Branch, November, 1916.

Shaw, W. E., Cashier, Nelson : On leave : working with Department of Imperial Government Supplies since February, 1917.

Sinel, R., Cashier, Dunedin : Transferred to Native Department, November, 1916.

Smith, David : Temporarily transferred to Defence Department, August, 1914.

Stalker, John : Temporarily transferred to Defence Department, March, 1916.

Stebbing, W. H., clerk, Auckland : Acted as Secretary, First Auckland Military Service Board, since October, 1916.

Junior officers, comprising draughting cadets, typists, &c., to the number of thirteen have been transferred to this Department from other branches of the Public Service.

EXPEDITIONARY FORCE.

In addition to those officers mentioned in previous reports, the following have joined the Expeditionary Force :—

Surveyor.—A. C. Haase (cadet, New Plymouth), C. J. Dunn (surveyor, Auckland).

Draughtsmen.—W. J. Adams (Auckland), R. Anderson (Invercargill), A. D. Bines (Auckland), V. G. Burrell (cadet, Auckland), T. R. Burt (cadet, Dunedin), J. D. Clapperton (Auckland), T. L. Folley (Auckland), C. J. Freeman (Wellington), L. B. Freeman (Christchurch), D. M. Greig (cadet, Invercargill), A. W. Hood (cadet, Auckland), B. Hutton (cadet, Auckland), G. B. Knyvett (Auckland), P. S. Lawson (New Plymouth), A. P. McConnell (Auckland), D. McKay (Auckland), L. J. McKenzie (cadet, Auckland), J. M. McKinlay (cadet, Auckland), A. F. Sutherland (cadet, Christchurch), F. E. O. Townshend (Auckland), N. V. Taylor (cadet, New Plymouth), A. Wills (Dunedin), S. C. Williams (Auckland).

Clerks.—G. I. Beeson (Chief Drainage Engineer's Office), C. R. K. Bourke (cadet, Head Office), J. G. Boyd (cadet, Auckland), S. H. Brown (cadet, Blenheim), W. E. Cockroft (Dunedin), T. A. Searell (Head Office), T. J. Lagan (Head Office).

Forestry.—C. Barron (Rotorua), W. T. Morrison (Ranfurly), W. M. Weir (Waiotapu).