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# FRIENDLY SOCIETIES

(FIRST ANNUAL REPORT BY THE REGISTRAR OF).

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Section 9, Subsection 6.*

## REPORT.

THE short time that has elapsed since the date (1st January, 1878) when "The Friendly Societies Act, 1877," came into operation necessarily, to a large extent, limits this first report of the Registrar, required by the Act to be presented to the General Assembly, to matters connected with the organization of the office, and with the various duties involved in endeavouring to carry out the Act.

The office of Registrar was conferred upon the person holding the office of Registrar-General, the intention being that the two offices should be held conjointly, and that the duties appertaining to them should be performed by the staff of a single department. In effecting this arrangement no additional officer has been added to the staff of the Registrar-General to enable the extra duties imposed by the Friendly Societies Act to be fulfilled; but an existing vacancy that had occurred in the department was filled by the appointment of a gentleman as general clerk in the department who was competent to perform the duties of an actuary. Every effort has been made to carry on the multifarious and increased duties imposed on the department with a staff not numerically increased; but the strain on the office has been considerable, and it is evident that the arrangement was made under a misconception as to the amount of work imposed on the Registrar of Friendly Societies by the operation of the Act.

As the Act required that all societies should send their annual returns to the Registrar before the 1st day of April, and their quinquennial returns before the 30th June, 1878, it became necessary for the Registrar in the first instance to give his attention to the preparation and issue of the forms required for these returns. The forms previously used under the Act of 1867 were found to require modification, as they were not adapted for the requisite statements respecting funds under the control of the central bodies of societies.

There was also an immediate necessity to devise a form of register for societies. No register having been kept hitherto, there was not any available form for adoption. The most useful form appeared to be that which would show at a glance all the principal transactions relating to societies that it was necessary to place on record—the particulars to be entered in the register as occasion arose. The form adopted is that shown in Schedule II. It then became necessary, by examination of papers sent by friendly societies to the Colonial Secretary's Department, and by searching the *Gazette*, to ascertain what societies had been registered under the former Acts. This inquiry showed that the societies mentioned in Schedule III. had been duly registered, and these in the order of the dates of the original registrations have been entered in the newly framed register-book; for, although the 5th section of "The Friendly Societies Act, 1877," provided that "every society now subsisting whose rules have been registered . . . shall be deemed to be a society registered under this Act, and its rules shall, *so far as the same are not contrary to any express provision of this Act*, continue in force until altered or rescinded," the Registrar did not consider it necessary to refer all the rules of these societies to the Revising Barrister for a decision as to whether any of them were contrary to any express provision of this Act before entering them in the register: he deemed it the proper course that the societies should be regarded as registered, and be entitled to all the advantages thereof, leaving the question of any of the rules being *ultra vires* to be dealt with on its merits when any attempt should be made to enforce any such rule.

All the societies hitherto registered have been registered as distinct societies under the Acts of 1856 and 1867, for, although much correspondence has taken place with regard to the registration of societies with and without branches, no new registrations have, as yet, been effected. Several districts or central

bodies (*e.g.*, Otago District, Manchester Unity; Grand Lodge of New Zealand Independent Order of Odd Fellows; New Zealand Central District of Rechabites) have intimated a desire to be registered as societies having branches. It is greatly to be desired that all central bodies may follow this course. Since the 1st January, 1878, twelve friendly societies and one working men's club have applied for original registration; eight friendly societies have applied to register new sets of rules as amendments of, and instead of, the rules already registered, and there have been two applications for the registry of amendments (of one or more rules) strictly so called.

It appears necessary to explain why the new sets of rules as amendments should be distinguished from amendments of one or more rules. A difficulty has been experienced from the operation of the 3rd subsection of the 12th section of the Act, which provides that all amendments of rules should be published in the *Gazette* before they become valid. This clearly did not imply that a complete new set of rules should be published, as there was not any such condition in respect of publication in the case of an original registration, nor evidently was such a publication intended, the amendments referred to being manifestly considered as distinct amendments of an existing rule, or the addition of one or more rules, limited in number, but not the substitution of a complete set of new rules. As many societies amend their rules by passing a new set of rules, the operation of this subsection acted as a bar to the registration of a complete set by way of amendment; and yet for practical purposes the adoption of a complete set would be of greater general advantage, and make the rules better understood, than fragmentary amendments. The Registrar felt that the operation of this subsection acted disadvantageously for societies, without conferring any corresponding benefit, and, therefore, he adopted in all such cases the following course: Societies sending complete sets of rules as amendments on existing rules were desired to send simultaneously a request for cancellation of the existing registration, and an application for fresh registration under the Act of 1877; the Registrar requiring that the request for cancellation should be similarly signed to the application for registry, and considering it admissible under the circumstances to dispense with the *Gazette* notice, and the publication in a local newspaper as necessarily accompanying the cancellation, deeming the cancellation rather in the light of a substitution of registry than in that of a final cancellation, and thus corresponding in character more with the cancellation of the registry of a lodge, court, &c., as a distinct society with a view to its registration as a branch; no publication being required in the latter case. This expedient enabled the Registrar to tide over the difficulty, but the process is cumbrous; and it would be far more convenient if the provision of the Act respecting the publication of amendments were repealed, so that complete sets of rules might be received as amendments.

The several applications under each of the specified headings are set forth in Schedule VII., and opposite each is stated the action that has been taken in respect thereof. None of the applications for original registration have as yet been complied with. The incorrectness of the form in which most of the applications were made was not merely technical, but constituted a non-compliance with the requirements of the Act. One application has been made for the registration of a working men's club, but the difficulty experienced in making the rules of such societies contain all the provisions required by Schedule II. of the Act raises the question whether or not it would be better that they should, if desirous of registration, be allowed to obtain it in the capacity of specially authorized societies rather than as societies bound by the general provisions of the Act, many of which cannot be made applicable to them, or whether they should be relieved from some of the obligations imposed on them in common with friendly societies.

Although no registrations of societies have been effected since the 1st of January, 1878, yet there are indications that, when the tables of contributions that are in process of preparation by the Actuary are issued, and the model rules distributed, many societies at present registered will register under new rules and with fresh tables of contributions, and that unregistered societies will be desirous of obtaining the advantages accruing from registration.

These advantages do not appear in general to be sufficiently understood or appreciated. It therefore seems desirable to make an enumeration of the principal advantages which are enjoyed by registered societies, and from which unregistered societies are necessarily shut out. The following list of these advantages has accordingly been prepared.

*Advantages accruing to a Society by Registration, no fee being payable on the registry of any friendly, benevolent, or cattle insurance society, or working men's club.*

1. It can hold, purchase, or take on lease, in the names of the trustees for the time being, any land, and can similarly hold other kinds of property, all such land and property vesting in any succeeding trustees immediately upon and as a consequence of their appointment.

2. All legal proceedings can be carried on in the names of the trustees.

3. A registered society has a remedy on summary conviction whenever any person—

(1.) Obtains possession of any of its property by false representation or imposition;

(2.) Having possession of any of its property, withholds or misapplies it;

(3.) Wilfully applies any part of such property to purposes other than those expressed or directed by the rules, and authorized by the Act:

the penalty for either of these offences being a fine not exceeding £50 and costs, and in default of payment imprisonment, with or without hard labour, for any time not exceeding six months.

4. The treasurer and other officers of the society, or persons acting in such capacity, are constituted servants of the trustees within the meaning of "The Larceny Act, 1867," and in cases of larceny and embezzlement can be proceeded against as in the case of larceny or embezzlement by a clerk or servant.

5. If an officer of the society dies, or becomes bankrupt or insolvent, or if an execution is issued against him whilst he has money or property of the society in his possession by virtue of his office, the trustees of the society are entitled to claim such money or property in preference to any other creditor.

6. If the society has funds, debentures, securities, or moneys in the names of trustees, and a

trustee is absent from New Zealand, becomes bankrupt, compounds with his creditors, becomes a lunatic, dies, or has been removed from his office of trustee, or if it is unknown whether he is alive or dead, a registered society, instead of having to apply to the Supreme Court, or to take any other proceedings which it would have to take if unregistered, can have such funds, debentures, &c., transferred by direction of the Registrar, on payment of a fee of £1.

7. The documents of the society are, for the most part, free from stamp duty; and no customs duty is chargeable on the regalia, &c., of a registered society.

8. The society can admit members under twenty-one (but above sixteen), and take binding receipts from them, which would otherwise be of no effect.

9. To a registered friendly society a certificate of the birth or death of a member, or of any other person insured or to be insured with it, costs only 1s.

10. If a registered society invests money on mortgage, such mortgages can be discharged by a mere indorsed receipt without reconveyance.

11. A registered society has the advantage of depositing money to any amount at interest in the Post Office Savings Bank in the names of the trustees as such—a privilege denied to unregistered societies, as deposits by their trustees can only be received as the deposits of the individuals, and are subject to the ordinary limitation as to amounts at interest, the society not being recognized by the authorities.

12. Its officers are legally bound to render account, and give up all money or property in their possession on demand or notice, and may be compelled by order of a Resident Magistrate's Court to do so.

13. Disputes may be legally settled according to the societies' own rules, or, if no decision is made within forty days after a decision is applied for, by a Resident Magistrate's Court; or, if both parties desire it, and the rules do not forbid, by the Registrar of Friendly Societies.

14. Members of registered friendly societies have the privilege of legally insuring money on the deaths of their wives and children, for their funeral expenses, without having an insurable interest in their lives (such insurances are void by Act of the Imperial Parliament, if effected with an unregistered society).

15. Members of registered societies may (unless in benevolent societies, or working men's clubs) dispose at death of sums payable by the society not exceeding £50, by written nomination, without a will; and this nomination may be made by youths of sixteen, who cannot make a will until they are twenty-one.

16. Where there is no will and no nomination the trustees may distribute sums under £50 without letters of administration being taken out (a person who should do so in any other case would make himself liable for the debts of the deceased).

17. The society is entitled, without being in anywise compelled to do so, to call in the services of Public Auditors for the auditing of its accounts, and of Public Valuers for the valuation of its assets and liabilities, at fixed rates of fees.

18. The rules and other important documents relating to it are placed on record in a public office, from whence authentic copies can be obtained, which are evidence in a court of justice.

#### REGULATIONS AND MODEL RULES.

A series of regulations and forms for procedure under the Act have, in terms of the 39th section of the Act, been made and approved by the Governor. These regulations have been attached to copies of the Act, and forwarded to all known societies in the colony. As it is convenient that they should accompany this report they have been appended hereto as Schedule IV., notwithstanding that in terms of the Act a copy has already been laid on the table of each House of the General Assembly.

Model rules have also been prepared for the guidance of societies, so that, in drafting rules previous to registration thereof, they may adapt their rules to the requirements of the Act, and by the adoption of a clear and uniform system relieve the office and the Revising Barrister from much work connected with the examination of the rules. These rules have not as yet been circulated.

The Registrar in his capacity as Registrar-General has, in terms of section 14, subsection 10, issued instructions to Registrars of Births and Deaths as to their duties under "The Friendly Societies Act, 1877." A copy of these instructions, in which are included the forms required for carrying them out, is appended to this report as Schedule V.

#### THE ACTUARY.

The Registrar has imposed upon him by the Act certain duties of an actuarial nature, such as the following:—

The preparation of model forms of account, balance-sheets,\* and valuations; the collection and distribution of information on the subject of the statistics of life and sickness, with the application thereof to the business of friendly societies; the construction of tables for the payment of sums of money on death, in sickness, or old age, and on any other contingency forming the subject of an assurance authorized under the Act which may appear to be calculable; the examination of the quinquennial returns, and the preparation of an abstract of them; to make investigation upon an application for dissolution, and suspend at discretion such dissolution, if he deems that certain alterations and adjustment of contributions and benefits may prevent the necessity of an award of dissolution being made.

These and other duties rendered it necessary that a gentleman competent to perform the duties of the office should be appointed as Actuary under the Act, either as attached to the permanent staff of the department, or as being available when his services might be required by the Registrar. The existence of a vacancy in the Registrar-General's department enabled the Government, without

\* In the case of a society transacting *insurance* business, the preparation of forms of account and of balance-sheets, in fact of all forms, requires the assistance of an actuary.

increasing the numerical strength of the staff, to appoint Mr. F. W. Frankland to be Actuary under the Friendly Societies Act, and clerk in the department, Mr. Frankland's previous special training and mathematical attainments having qualified him to perform the duties imposed on him.

Section 9 (5c) of the Act provides that the Registrar shall, with the approval of the Governor, from time to time cause to be constructed and published tables for the payment of sums of money on death, in sickness, or old age, or on any other contingency forming the subject of an assurance authorized under this Act, which may appear to be calculable: Provided, nevertheless, that the adoption of such tables by any society shall be optional.

The actuarial soundness of the rates of contribution is one of the fundamental conditions of the stability of a friendly society. It is, however, a condition the disregard of which may not bring about its inevitable punishment until after the lapse of a very considerable period of time. A society may start with a rate of contribution quite inadequate to secure the benefits promised, and may go on accumulating funds for a great number of years, and exhibit every outward appearance of prosperity, the deceptiveness of the result being often, in the case of New Zealand societies, aggravated by the special circumstances of the rapidly-increasing value of freehold property, and the high rate of interest obtainable; circumstances which, however, should be considered as abnormal, and which should not influence a society to adopt a scale of contributions which would not under ordinary circumstances enable it to meet all the demands which will ultimately be made on the funds. As a consequence of this, there is the most wide-spread misconception among the members of friendly societies as to what constitutes an adequate rate of contributions, and very generally also, a complete want of appreciation of the importance of the subject. Among some of the members, however, there is to be found a healthy interest in the subject of financial reform, and the representatives of one large order (the Rechabites) have manifested the greatest anxiety for the appearance of model tables having the official sanction of the Registrar of Friendly Societies.

Mr. Frankland was accordingly instructed to prepare a series of tables of rates of contribution corresponding to the benefits most usually granted by the friendly societies of the colony. In view of the circumstance that the bulk of the settlers in New Zealand are of the same race as the inhabitants of the British Islands, having similar occupations, and living in a climate which, while somewhat more temperate, assimilates in character to the English climate, and as there is in the colony a comparative exemption from the evils attendant on the severity of the struggle for existence in the mother country, it was concluded that the sickness and mortality among the members of friendly societies in this colony might safely be expected to be, on an average, not in excess of that which obtains among the friendly societies in England.

Of the not very numerous tables which have been compiled of sickness and mortality experienced by members of English friendly societies, the three following are undoubtedly by far the best:—

- (a.) *Mr. Neison's English Friendly Societies' Experience*, constructed from the returns of friendly societies in England and Wales for 1836-40, sent to the Registrar, embracing the experience of 1,147,143 years of life.
- (b.) *Mr. Ratcliffe's Manchester Unity Experience of 1856-60*, embracing the experience of 1,006,272 years of life.
- (c.) *Mr. Ratcliffe's Manchester Unity Experience of 1866-70*, embracing the experience of 1,321,048 years of life, being the largest experience hitherto collected of friendly societies in the United Kingdom.

It is the last of these experiences that has been selected by the Actuarial Commissioners appointed under the Imperial Friendly Societies Act of 1875, as the basis for the tables of rates of contribution which they have recommended for temporary use. It was accordingly resolved that this experience should be made the basis of the tables to be constructed in the Registrar's office.

The monetary tables which Mr. Ratcliffe has calculated on the basis of his experience of 1866-70, being computed at a rate of interest of 3 per cent., were inapplicable to the construction of premiums for societies in New Zealand, it being the unanimous opinion of actuaries that an interest-basis of 4 per cent. may with safety be adopted for the valuation of life contingencies in the Australasian Colonies. It appeared, however, from a report issued by the Independent Order of Odd Fellows in Dunedin, that a series of monetary tables, computed at 4 per cent., had been calculated on the basis of the same experience by Messrs. G. Leslie and P. Black, officers of the Manchester Unity of Odd Fellows in that city. It was therefore deemed advisable to request these gentlemen to supply to this office the tables they had calculated, as the labour of the actuary attached to the office would thereby be very greatly abridged.

This was accordingly done. The required tables were furnished, and were accompanied by a most able and lucid memorandum explanatory of the methods used. This memorandum was then submitted to the Actuary for examination, and it was found by him that all the methods except one were perfectly correct. As the single incorrect method, though but slightly affecting the arithmetical result, is one which has been adopted by so high an authority as Mr. Ratcliffe, it may be interesting to refer to it at somewhat greater length. It is the mode adopted by him of computing the preliminary tables for finding the value of a benefit during the first six months of sickness. In calculating the K column,\* the average sickness per annum is discounted by him for a quarter of a year only. It ought properly to be discounted for half a year, as in the case of sickness benefits for the first twelve months' sickness and for the whole period of sickness, as the reasoning by which the rule for discounting is established is not in the least affected by the classification of sickness according to periods. It is gratifying to find that this error has been rectified, in a treatise on the Valuation of Friendly Societies, quite recently issued by Mr. Reuben Watson, one of the officers of the Unity.

The clerical accuracy of the tables computed by Messrs. Leslie and Black was then tested by the independent calculation of each entry, and was found to be very great indeed. A correction was furnished of those tables which related to the first six months' sickness, and the tables are now worthy of all confidence, as a basis for the construction of such model rates as the Registrar had in

\* See Supplementary Report, 1st July, 1872, of the I.O.O.F. Manchester Unity) F.S., p. 82.

view. There still remain, however, certain actuarial questions of great importance to be disposed of before such rates can be recommended by this office. Foremost amongst these is the question as to what allowance, if any, is to be made in the computation of premiums for the reduction of benefits in cases of protracted sickness, which it is the practice of nearly all friendly societies in this colony to make. The peculiar difficulty of this problem arises from the circumstance that, owing no doubt partly to the relative paucity of numbers, the several sets of data which have been collected in regard to what is termed "sickness in periods" are not mutually confirmatory of each other in the same degree as the corresponding sets of data relative to sickness unclassified into periods (up to the age of 65), but disclose, on the contrary, a most remarkable divergence. As has been remarked by Mr. W. Sutton, the Actuary attached to the office of the Chief Registrar of Friendly Societies in England, the subject "is one of great doubt and difficulty." The best advice is being sought on this subject from members of the actuarial profession in Great Britain and in Australia, and a very careful consideration will have to be given to the opinions which may be expressed, before it will be desirable to recommend rates of contribution for the class of benefits referred to.

The adoption of reliable rates of contribution is not sufficient to insure the solvency of societies, unless the benefit funds are managed in accordance with the assumptions on which the tables of contributions are constructed. The present value of the benefits, and consequently the probability of the society being enabled to meet future demands, is calculated on the assumption that all contributions, and all interest received on account of such contributions, shall be so invested, that not less than 4 per cent. interest shall be obtained annually on the total amount of the benefit funds, including accumulated interest. The adoption of this principle is ignored by many registered societies, and the practice obtains of borrowing from the benefit funds for management purposes, reducing thus the value of the security for the accumulated fund, and, as usually only the net amount is refunded, the rate of interest received on the residue of the funds frequently becomes a smaller percentage on the total amount of the fund than the minimum percentage reckoned upon in the actuarial computation of subscriptions. Likewise the practice obtains in some societies (notably in certain districts of the Ancient Order of Foresters) of paying medical expenses from the sick and funeral fund. No allowance in respect of such expenses is made by actuaries, as there are not, and cannot be, any data for any calculations in respect thereof. The cost of attendance varies from year to year, and in different districts, being affected by many circumstances that are not in themselves calculable. Therefore, the scale of contributions is not framed to allow the sick and funeral fund to bear any such claim. All expenses in respect of medical attendance should be borne by a special levy, or by the management fund. It is very desirable that societies should be restrained from adopting an unsound principle of management, that may, and no doubt will, if unchecked, produce ultimate evils. It is true that it is not compulsory upon societies to adopt the rates of contribution that may be recommended by the Registrar; but if they are prohibited from misapplication of funds, and if after that they choose to adopt a scale of contributions of the insufficiency of which they have been warned, they will not be able reasonably to complain if those members who are of the longest lives should find their funds fail when they are most needed, and when the opportunity of applying a remedy to the financial unsoundness of the society may be for ever gone.

#### THE REVISING BARRISTER.

Under the Friendly Societies Act of 1867 it was necessary to appoint a Revising Barrister for each province, to whom respectively the rules were sent by the societies before being forwarded to the Colonial Secretary's Office for registration. A society submitting rules to a Revising Barrister was required to pay the barrister a fee of two guineas for his certificate of the rules of a society, and one guinea for the certificate of branch rules or amendments of rules. Under the Act of 1877 one Revising Barrister is appointed for the colony, all rules being submitted to him by the Registrar before they can be registered. No fee is payable by any society in respect of the Revising Barrister's certificate. The appointment of Revising Barrister has been conferred on Mr. H. S. Fitzherbert, a solicitor and barrister of the Supreme Court. As his office is in Wellington, facilities are thus afforded for verbal communication and explanations between the Registrar and Revising Barrister, the convenience of which has been already experienced.

#### ANNUAL RETURNS.

The year 1877 was the first in which annual returns of any considerable value were obtained from friendly societies in New Zealand, and in which statistical tables were compiled on the basis of these returns. These tables were compiled by Mr. C. Godfrey Knight, the Actuary to the Government Insurance Department, with the assistance of Mr. Frankland and of two clerks specially engaged for the work, and were laid before both Houses of the General Assembly. The return forms issued at the commencement of this year were similar in character to those then used, as far as branch funds are concerned, but those issued to central bodies were much modified, the return form issued last year having been found to be unsuited to such bodies.

Annual returns have, up to the present date, been received from the following societies:—\*

|   | No. of Registered Societies. | No. of Returns. |
|---|------------------------------|-----------------|
| I. Independent Order of Odd Fellows, Manchester Unity ... | 68                           | 61              |
| II. Independent Order of Odd Fellows ... ..               | 2                            | 2               |
| III. Ancient Order of Foresters ... ..                    | 38                           | 27              |
| IV. Ancient Order of Shepherds ... ..                     | 1                            | 1               |
| V. Independent Order of Rechabites ... ..                 | 3                            | 3               |
| VI. Sons and Daughters of Temperance ... ..               | 3                            | 1               |
| VII. Hibernian Australasian Catholic Benefit Society ...  | 6                            | 4               |
| VIII. Miscellaneous Societies ... ..                      | 5                            | 4               |
|   | 126                          | 103             |

\* In a considerable proportion of cases letters have been received from the secretaries of the defaulting societies intimating that the returns were in course of preparation.

An annual return in the prescribed form has been received from one unregistered society—viz., the Wellington branch of the Hibernian Australasian Catholic Benefit Society.

The return was accompanied by an auditor's report, in accordance with section 13 (1d) of the Act, in the case of eleven societies, and by a printed balance-sheet in the case also of eleven societies.

There has been a marked improvement in the quality of the returns this year, attributable, no doubt, in the main to the severe cross-examination to which all returns were subjected last year by Mr. Knight, and to the copious explanations which were tendered by him. Still, even now, a considerable proportion have been so imperfectly made out, and have presented such irreconcilable discrepancies, as to entail a very large amount of correspondence. This correspondence is not yet at an end, for, although all arrears in this respect have been cleared off by the department, the replies have not all been received from the secretaries of societies, and, moreover, on receipt of the overdue returns further time will be required for their examination, and for the correspondence involved by the necessity of inquiring into any errors and discrepancies that may be discovered. The further time required for the subsequent compilation of statistical tables on the basis of the returns, even if additional assistance be afforded, will probably render it impossible to lay before Parliament the statistical tables in question during the present session, unless the duration thereof be considerably extended.

#### QUINQUENNIAL RETURNS OF SICKNESS AND MORTALITY.

The forms for quinquennial returns for the period of 1873-77 were issued at the same time as those for annual returns—viz., in March of this year—and up to the present date the following returns have been received:—\*

|   | No. of Registered Societies. | No. of Returns. |
|---|------------------------------|-----------------|
| I. Independent Order of Odd Fellows, Manchester Unity ... | 55                           | 41              |
| II. Independent Order of Odd Fellows ... ..               | 1                            | 0               |
| III. Ancient Order of Foresters ... ..                    | 30                           | 18              |
| IV. Ancient Order of Shepherds ... ..                     | 1                            | 1               |
| V. Independent Order of Rechabites ... ..                 | 3                            | 3               |
| VI. Sons and Daughters of Temperance ... ..               | 3                            | 1               |
| VII. Hibernian Australasian Catholic Benefit Society ...  | 6                            | 2               |
| VIII. Miscellaneous Societies ... ..                      | 5                            | 3               |
|   | 104                          | 69              |

The number of registered societies appearing in this table is smaller than that appearing in the corresponding table for annual returns, because the quinquennial return is not usually applicable to the central bodies of societies. It is only so applicable in cases where the central bodies include what are termed "district members"—i.e., members who are thrown upon the district or central body by the breaking up of a lodge, court, &c. Although forms for the quinquennial return have been sent to all central bodies which are registered societies under the Act, the reply has been, in all cases save one, that there are no district members. The one exception is the New Zealand Central District of the Independent Order of Rechabites, and in this case there was only a single district member.

The form of return has been based on the principle of individual entries, and not on the principle of grouping the members according to the year of birth. It is appended as Schedule I. hereto. The experience of the Chief Registrar in England has fully justified this course, the returns rendered to him on the grouping principle having been, in the majority of cases, *primâ facie* inaccurate. It is obvious, moreover, that returns rendered on this principle afford no information as to the occupation of members, and are generally useless for the purposes of any tables, the necessity for which was unforeseen at the time when the forms were issued, but the desirability of which may afterwards have become apparent.

There has not been time as yet for a detailed examination of the quinquennial returns; but in some cases it was apparent on simple inspection that particulars had only been entered respecting those members who had died or received sick pay during the quinquennium, and in these cases of course the returns were sent back with the request that they might be supplemented. In a few instances it has been impossible for the secretary of a society to furnish a complete quinquennial return, owing to the imperfect manner in which the books of the society have been kept during a portion or the whole of the quinquennium. To counteract this negligence it might be considered desirable to make provision for the societies furnishing to the Registrar in each year the returns of sickness and mortality which he would compile quinquennially.

#### PUBLIC VALUERS.

By section 13 (1f) of "The Friendly Societies Act, 1877," a valuation once at least in every five years of the assets and liabilities, including estimated risks and contributions, is rendered obligatory on all registered friendly societies, unless dispensed with by the Registrar, with the approval of the Governor, as being inapplicable to the purposes or the operations of the society (section 13, subsection 6, proviso).

To facilitate the performance of the duties imposed on societies in respect of valuation, it is provided that the Governor may appoint Valuers, and may determine the rates of remuneration to be paid by societies for their services, but their employment is not compulsory on any society (section 36).

In fulfilment of this provision, the Governor has appointed Messrs. George Leslie and Peter Black, of Dunedin, already referred to in connection with the preparation of model tables, to be Public Valuers under the Friendly Societies Act. These gentlemen have been highly recommended to the Government for their actuarial ability, which indeed is evidenced by the tables supplied by them to this office, while their long practical experience of the working of friendly societies is a most important additional qualification for the task they are prepared to undertake.

\* In this case, as in that of the annual returns, intimation has been received that several of the defaulters are now engaged in complying with the requirements of the Act.

These appointments of Public Valuers have only been made to the 30th June, as it is considered expedient that all such appointments should terminate on that date, full discretion being reserved by the Governor of reappointing any one or more of them for another year. The appointments are made subject to compliance by Public Valuers with instructions issued from this office, and of the acceptance by them of all valuations tendered them at a rate not exceeding the rate to be fixed by the Governor. These instructions are contained in Schedule VI. hereto.

In connection with this subject attention is called to regulations 55 and 65. By the former, provision is made for the valuation of a society with branches, which is to include all funds under the control of the central body of the society, whilst a registered branch, in respect of the valuation of any fund or funds administered by itself or by a committee or officers appointed by itself, is placed on the same footing as a separate society. Regulation 55, which it must be observed applies to all valuations, whether by Public Valuers or others, provides that no valuation is to be deemed a valuation under the Act where one Valuer has audited the accounts of the society or branch for the year next preceding the valuation, the object being to insure at least one year's independent audit before a valuation.

Although the employment of a Public Valuer is not made compulsory on societies, and although they are permitted by the Act to appoint their own valuers, yet such appointment is made conditional on the approval of the Governor, this provision being inserted in view of the supreme importance to the safety of societies of having the valuations conducted by thoroughly competent men. In illustration of the high responsibility involved in the duties of a valuer, the Chief Registrar in England has remarked as follows:—

“It will be seen, on reference to the valuations, that there is something more required of a competent valuer than mere computing by the aid of tables. The special features of the society must be carefully considered from various points of view before the principles and data to be used in the valuation can be properly determined upon. Among the many points to be regarded are the following:—

- “(1.) The nature of the society's investments, and the rate of interest they yield.
- “(2.) The nature of the society's sickness and mortality experience.
- “(3.) The financial effect of reducing the sick pay in cases of prolonged sickness.
- “(4.) The financial effect of sickness allowance throughout life.
- “(5.) The number of members in the society—that is, whether the number is large enough to justify the expectation of average results.

“Again, when the principles and data to be used have been carefully chosen, and the results of the valuation ascertained, there arise other important questions as to which the valuer ought to be able to give the society information, advice, and assistance. The valuer should be competent, for instance,—

- “(1.) To give a satisfactory explanation of the cause of the surplus or deficiency shown by the valuation.
- “(2.) To advise as to how such surplus or deficiency should be dealt with.
- “ (3.) To fix the principles on which such surplus should be divided, or such deficiency made good.”

In view of these circumstances, it is greatly to be desired that care shall be exercised in the selection of officers who are to be intrusted with this most important duty.

No action has as yet been taken relative to the appointment of Public Auditors, or the determination of the rates of remuneration to be paid to them.

Registrar-General's Office,  
Wellington, 15th August, 1878.

WM. R. E. BROWN,  
Registrar of Friendly Societies.

## APPENDIX.

### SCHEDULE I.

*Friendly Societies.*

(Pursuant to "The Friendly Societies Act, 1877.")

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| <p><b>ABSTRACT</b> of the Society's experience of health, sickness and mortality for the five years ending 31st day of December, 1877. Society established in the year _____, and situated at _____ (Full particulars respecting any person who has been a member during any portion of the year are to be entered, whether he have received alimant during the year or not.)</p> <p><b>Members—</b><br/>                 Name : _____<br/>                 If married, and wife registered, M to be inserted in this column : _____<br/>                 Occupation or trade : _____<br/>                 Country and date of birth : _____<br/>                 Date of admission into the society : _____<br/>                 Age at time of admission : _____<br/>                 Date of becoming a free member : _____<br/>                 The whole number of days during each year for which the member has received alimant in sickness (sick pay) : _____</p> <p><b>Death—</b><br/>                 Date of : _____<br/>                 Age at : _____<br/>                 Cause of, as stated in medical certificate : _____<br/>                 Period sick before death (weeks and days) : _____</p> <p>Date at which the member ceased to belong to the society, whether from arrears of contribution, from expulsion, or from any other cause except death, stating the cause : _____</p> <p>Number of attacks of illness : _____<br/>                 Present age : _____<br/>                 Deaths of registered wives—<br/>                 Date of : _____</p> | <p>Remarks : _____ (Signature.)<br/>                 (Address by post.)</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. When any particular case of sickness may have commenced in one year, and continued to the following year, care must be taken to ascribe the proper quantity of sickness to each year.</li> <li>2. In filling up the columns of sickness, Sundays are meant to be included. If it should be more convenient to exclude them, state you have done so.</li> <li>3. If the member's correct date of birth, and also his age at admission into the society, be known, it will be entered as such; if not, his present age, his age at death or expulsion, as the case may be, must be guessed at or approximated to by the person who fills up the Schedule, and also by any other person who may know the member in question, and inserted in the column headed "Remarks." The age on the succeeding birthday should be taken, if not otherwise expressed.</li> <li>4. The column of deaths, as well as the column of members who have been expelled or who have left the society, must be filled up with equal care.</li> <li>5. If it should happen that the information given respecting any particular member stands in need of any explanation, such is to be given in the column headed "Remarks."</li> <li>6. It is also to be kept in view that when a member's death is recorded, it should be stated, in the column headed "Cause of Death according to the Medical Certificate," for what period he was ill in the attack of sickness immediately preceding his death.</li> </ol> |
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### SCHEDULE II.

FORM OF REGISTER OF FRIENDLY SOCIETIES.

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| <p>Register No. _____<br/>                 Date of registry : _____<br/>                 Record No. of application for registry : _____<br/>                 Name of society : _____<br/>                 Class of society : _____<br/>                 Registered office : _____<br/>                 Record Nos. of list of branches : _____<br/>                 Date of registry of amendments of rules : _____</p> | <p>Record Nos. of applications for registry of amendments : _____<br/>                 Date of registry of special resolutions : _____<br/>                 Record Nos. of notifications of special resolutions : _____<br/>                 Date of cancellation of registry : _____<br/>                 Cancellation overruled—Date : _____ Record No. _____<br/>                 Date of cessation : _____<br/>                 Mode of cessation : _____<br/>                 Remarks : _____</p> |
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### SCHEDULE III.

LIST OF SOCIETIES REGISTERED UNDER THE FRIENDLY SOCIETIES ACTS, 1856 and 1867.

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| <p><b>I.—INDEPENDENT ORDER OF ODD FELLOWS, MANCHESTER UNITY.</b></p> <p><b>AUCKLAND DISTRICT</b> ... .. Auckland.<br/>                 Loyal Fountain of Friendship Lodge ... ..<br/>                 „ Good Intent Lodge ... ..<br/>                 „ Parnell Lodge ... ..<br/>                 „ Alexandra Lodge ... .. Alexandra.<br/>                 „ Duke of Cambridge Lodge ... .. Cambridge.<br/>                 „ Charles Bruce Lodge ... .. Grahamstown.<br/>                 „ Waikato Lodge ... .. Shortland.</p> <p><b>NEW PLYMOUTH DISTRICT</b> ... .. New Plymouth.<br/>                 Loyal Egmont Lodge ... ..</p> <p><b>WELLINGTON DISTRICT</b> ... .. Wellington.<br/>                 Widow and Orphan Society ... ..<br/>                 Loyal Antipodean Lodge ... ..<br/>                 „ Britannia Lodge ... ..<br/>                 „ Rose of the Valley Lodge ... .. Lower Hutt.</p> <p>Loyal Marton Lodge ... .. Marton.<br/>                 Loyal Wanganui Lodge ... .. Wanganui.</p> | <p><b>NELSON DISTRICT</b> ... .. Nelson.<br/>                 District Widow and Orphan Fund ... ..<br/>                 Loyal Howard Lodge ... ..<br/>                 „ Nelson Lodge ... ..<br/>                 „ Travellers' Rest Lodge ... .. Richmond.</p> <p><b>MARLBOROUGH DISTRICT</b> ... .. Blenheim.<br/>                 Loyal Marlborough Lodge ... ..<br/>                 „ Renwick Lodge ... .. Renwick.</p> <p><b>NORTH CANTERBURY DISTRICT</b> ... .. Christchurch.<br/>                 Loyal Benevolent Lodge ... ..<br/>                 „ City of Christchurch Lodge ... ..<br/>                 „ Kaiapoi Lodge ... .. Kaiapoi.<br/>                 „ Nil Desperandum Lodge ... .. Oxford.<br/>                 „ Rangiora Lodge ... .. Rangiora.<br/>                 „ Perseverance Lodge ... .. Woolston.</p> <p><b>LYTTELTON DISTRICT</b> ... .. Lyttelton.<br/>                 Loyal City of Norwich Lodge ... ..<br/>                 „ Good Intent Lodge ... .. Akaroa.<br/>                 „ Arowhenua Lodge ... .. Temuka.</p> |
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| <b>NORTH WESTLAND DISTRICT</b> ... .. Westport.   | <b>Court Waireka</b> ... .. New Plymouth.                    |
| Loyal Charleston Lodge ... .. Charleston.         | " Patea ... .. Patea.  |
| " Westport Lodge ... .. Westport.                 | " Sherwood Forest ... .. Stoke.                              |
| <b>HOKITIKA DISTRICT</b> ... .. Hokitika.         | " Pride of the Forest ... .. Wakapuaka.                      |
| Loyal Hokitika Lodge ... .. "                     | <b>UNITED CANTERBURY DISTRICT</b> ... .. Christchurch.       |
| " Goldborough Lodge ... .. Goldborough.           | District Widow and Orphan Fund... .. "                       |
| " Albert Lodge ... .. Greenstone.                 | Court Star of Canterbury ... .. "                            |
| " Greymouth Lodge... .. Greymouth.                | " Queen of the Isles ... .. Lyttelton.                       |
| " Kanieri Lodge ... .. Kanieri.                   | Timaru District Widow and Orphan Fund ... Timaru.            |
| " Ross Lodge ... .. Ross.                         | Court Waimea ... .. Stafford.                                |
| " Waimea Lodge ... .. Stafford.                   | <b>UNITED OTAGO DISTRICT</b> ... .. Dunedin.                 |
| <b>OTAGO DISTRICT</b> ... .. Dunedin.             | Court Enterprise ... .. "                                    |
| Loyal Albion Lodge ... .. "                       | " Pride of Blueskin ... .. "                                 |
| " Dunedin Lodge ... .. "                          | " Pride of Dunedin ... .. "                                  |
| " Hand and Heart Lodge ... .. "                   | " Pride of Leith ... .. "                                    |
| " Arrow Lodge ... .. Arrowton.                    | " Robin Hood ... .. "  |
| " Dalton Lodge ... .. Balclutha.                  | " Star of the Dunstan ... .. Clyde.                          |
| " Cromwell Lodge ... .. Cromwell.                 | " Royal Oak of Kawarau ... .. Cromwell.                      |
| " Band of Friendship Lodge ... .. Kakanui.        | " Havelock ... .. Havelock.                                  |
| " Tuapeka Pioneer Lodge ... .. Lawrence.          | " Star of Tuapeka ... .. Lawrence.                           |
| " Naseby Lodge ... .. Naseby.                     | " Pride of Oamaru ... .. Oamaru.                             |
| " Oamaru Lodge ... .. Oamaru.                     | Court Coromandel ... .. Coromandel.                          |
| " Prince of Wales Lodge ... .. Port Chalmers.     | Court Southern Cross ... .. Timaru.                          |
| " Alexandra Lodge ... .. Port Molyneux.           | <b>IV. ANCIENT ORDER OF SHEPHERDS.</b>                       |
| " Lake Wakatipu Lodge ... .. Queenstown.          | Sanctuary Sir George Grey ... .. Wellington.                 |
| " Roxburgh Lodge ... .. Roxburgh.                 | <b>V. INDEPENDENT ORDER OF RECHABITES, SALFORD UNITY.</b>    |
| " Mount Wendon Lodge ... .. Switzer's.            | Star of Hauraki Tent ... .. Shortland.                       |
| " Blue Spur Lodge ... .. Tuapeka.                 | Star of Hope Tent ... .. Hokitika.                           |
| " Waipori Lodge ... .. Waipori.                   | <b>NEW ZEALAND CENTRAL DISTRICT</b> ... .. Wellington.       |
| " Waitahuna Lodge ... .. Waitahuna.               | <b>VI. SONS AND DAUGHTERS OF TEMPERANCE.</b>                 |
| <b>INVERCARGILL DISTRICT</b> ... .. Invercargill. | Perseverance Division ... .. Christchurch.                   |
| Loyal Shamrock, Rose, and Thistle Lodge ... .. "  | Hand-in-hand Division ... .. Waimate.                        |
| " St. George Lodge ... .. "                       | Antidote Division ... .. Dunedin.                            |
| " Sons of Perseverance Lodge ... .. Riverton.     | <b>VII. HIBERNIAN AUSTRALASIAN CATHOLIC BENEFIT SOCIETY.</b> |
| <b>II.—INDEPENDENT ORDER OF ODD FELLOWS.</b>      | Charleston Branch ... .. Charleston.                         |
| <b>GRAND LODGE OF NEW ZEALAND</b> ... .. Dunedin. | St. Joseph's Branch ... .. Dunedin.                          |
| Loyal Leith Lodge ... .. "                        | Grahamstown Branch ... .. Grahamstown.                       |
| <b>III. ANCIENT ORDER OF FORESTERS.</b>           | Greenstone Branch ... .. Greenstone.                         |
| <b>AUCKLAND DISTRICT</b> ... .. Auckland.         | Hokitika Branch ... .. Hokitika.                             |
| Court City of Auckland ... .. "                   | Waimea Branch ... .. Stafford.                               |
| Court Pride of Parnell ... .. Grahamstown.        | <b>VIII. MISCELLANEOUS SOCIETIES.</b>                        |
| <b>WELLINGTON DISTRICT</b> ... .. Wellington.     | Central Volunteer Fire Brigade ... .. Wellington.            |
| District Widow and Orphan Fund ... .. "           | Kaeo and Wangaeroa Friendly Society ... .. Kaeo.             |
| Court Sir George Grey ... .. "                    | Lumper's Accident Relief Association ... .. Auckland.        |
| " Blenheim ... .. Blenheim.                       | New Plymouth Friendly Society ... .. New Plymouth.           |
| " Wairarapa ... .. Greytown.                      | Primitive Methodist Mutual Aid Society,                      |
| " Little John ... .. Marton.                      | No. 1, of New Zealand... .. Dunedin.                         |
| " Loyal Enterprise ... .. Masterton.              | Auckland Educational Society ... .. Auckland.                |
| <b>NELSON DISTRICT</b> ... .. Nelson.             | Wellington Co-operative Society (Limited) ... .. Wellington. |
| Court Robin Hood ... .. "                         | Otago Provident Society ... .. Dunedin.                      |
| " Concord ... .. Greymouth.                       | Lyttelton Industrial Co-operative Society                    |
| " Unity ... .. Havelock.                          | (Limited) ... .. Lyttelton.                                  |
| " Perseverance ... .. Motueka.                    | Waipu Union Provident Society (Limited) ... .. Waipu.        |

#### SCHEDULE IV.

#### REGULATIONS MADE BY THE GOVERNOR, IN TERMS OF "THE FRIENDLY SOCIETIES ACT, 1877," SECTION 39.

##### *Application to Register Societies or Amendments of Rules.*

1. Every application to register a society under "The Friendly Societies Act, 1877" (in these regulations termed "the Act"), shall be in Form No. 1 subjoined to these regulations, and shall be sent to the Registrar of Friendly Societies for the Colony of New Zealand (hereinafter termed "the Registrar").

2. An amendment of the rules of a society may consist either—

(a.) In the addition of a new rule or rules, or part of a rule or rules, to the existing rules; or—

(b.) In the substitution of a new rule or rules, or part of a rule or rules, for any of the existing rules or any part thereof; or—

(c.) In a rescission of any of the existing rules or any part thereof without any substitution; or—

(d.) In more than one or all of these modes.

3. An application to register an amendment of rules must be made by the secretary of the society in Form No. 2 annexed hereto, and must be sent to the Registrar, accompanied by a statutory declaration in

Form No. 3 annexed hereto, and by a printed copy of the existing rules marked to show where the alterations occur and what they are, and by the following documents:—

(a.) If the amendment consists of the addition or substitution of a new rule or rules, two copies of such new rule or rules, each copy being marked O, and signed by three members and the secretary:

(b.) If the amendment consists of the rescission of any of the rules without any substitution, two copies of the resolution for such rescission, each copy being marked O, and signed by three members and the secretary.

##### *Cancelling and Suspension of Registry.*

4. Every request to cancel registry shall be sent to the Registrar in Form No. 4 annexed hereto, and shall name some newspaper circulating in the city, town, or place in which the registered office of the society is situated wherein it is desired that the cancellation of registry shall be published, and shall be accompanied by the sum requisite to defray the expenses of such publication, and by such further sum as may be

required for publication of such cancellation in the *Gazette*.

5. Where application is made to cancel registry under the compulsory powers of the Registrar, the Registrar may require such application to be made in duplicate, in such form and to be supported by such statutory declaration as he may direct, and shall transmit one copy of such application to the Governor for his approval.

6. Notice before cancelling or suspension of registry shall be in Form No. 5 annexed hereto.

7. The cancelling of registry shall be in Form No. 6 annexed hereto.

8. The suspension or renewal of suspension of registry shall be in Form No. 7 annexed hereto.

9. The advertisement of cancelling or suspension shall be in Form No. 8 annexed hereto.

#### *Registered Office.*

10. Every notice of a change in the situation of the registered office of a society shall be sent to the Registrar within fourteen days after every such change, in Form No. 9 annexed hereto. Notice of the situation of the registered office of a society on first registry shall be deemed to be given by the rule providing for the place of office. The place of business of a society enrolled or certified before the 1st January, 1878, as stated in the rules thereof, or in any notice of change duly sent to the Registrar, shall be deemed to be the registered office of the society until notice of change, duly sent as herein provided, is received by the Registrar.

#### *Trustees.*

11. All resolutions appointing trustees shall be sent to the Registrar within fourteen days after the date of the meeting whereat any such resolution was passed, in Form No. 10 annexed hereto.

#### *Nominations.*

12. Every registered society (except as in the Act is provided) shall keep a record or register of all nominations made by the members, and of all revocations and variations of the same.

#### *Transfer of Funds or Money.*

13. Every application to the Registrar to direct a transfer of funds, debentures, securities, or moneys shall follow as near as may be the Form No. 11 annexed hereto, and shall be accompanied by a statutory declaration in Form No. 12 annexed hereto, or as near thereto as the facts admit, and by the certificate of the funds or debentures, or by the securities in respect of which the application is made.

14. Before making the application the society shall submit to the Registrar for examination a draft copy on foolscap paper, written on one side only, of the proposed application and declaration.

15. The Registrar, before directing the transfer, may require such further proof of any statement in the application as may seem to him to be necessary.

16. The Registrar shall give his direction in Form No. 13 annexed hereto, so framed in each case as to suit the particular circumstances.

#### *Juvenile Societies.*

17. Societies and branches consisting wholly of members between three and sixteen years of age may be registered, provided they are—

(a.) In connection with some institution or school, and managed by the managers or teachers thereof, or by a committee appointed wholly or partly by such managers or teachers:

(b.) In connection with some society registered under the Act, or a branch of any such society, and managed by the committee or

officers of such society or branch, or by persons appointed wholly or partly by them.

18. The rules of every such society or branch shall contain provisions for the following matters in addition to those required in the case of societies by Schedule II. of the Act and Form No. 1 to these regulations, and in the case of branches by Regulation 50.

1. Whether or not parents and guardians of members shall be entitled to be present and vote at meetings of the society, and to perform acts of membership on behalf of their children.

2. The giving of security by the treasurer.

3. The investment of the funds in a savings bank, or in Government or real securities, but not otherwise.

4. The acceptance of a member into a registered society or branch, or the payment to him of a share of the accumulated funds, if any, on his attaining the age of sixteen years.

The forms annexed to Regulations 1 to 63 may be modified by authority of the Registrar, to suit their application to juvenile societies or branches.

#### *Disputes.*

19. The reference of a dispute to the Registrar shall be written on foolscap paper, in duplicate, in Form No. 14 annexed hereto.

20. The Registrar, upon receipt of the reference, shall transmit one copy of it to the Governor for his consent.

21. Every notice of hearing by the Registrar, and every requisition for the attendance of parties and witnesses, and the production of books and documents, shall be in Form No. 15 annexed hereto.

22. Where it is necessary to enforce the attendance of a particular witness, or the production of a particular document, notice shall be in Form No. 16 annexed hereto.

23. If an order for discovery is necessary, it shall be in Form No. 17 annexed hereto.

24. The determination and order of the Registrar shall be in Form No. 18 annexed hereto, or as near thereto as the circumstances of the case may in his judgment allow.

#### *Inspectors and Special Meetings.*

25. An application for appointment of inspectors or for calling a special meeting shall be sent to the Registrar, written on foolscap paper, in duplicate, in Form No. 19 annexed hereto, and shall be accompanied by a statutory declaration, in Form No. 20 annexed hereto, by three at least of the applicants.

26. The Registrar may, immediately upon receipt of the application, transmit one copy to the Governor for his consent, or may, before such transmission, give notice of the application to the society, and send to the Governor any answer the society may make.

27. The appointment of inspectors shall be in Form No. 21 annexed hereto, or as near thereto as circumstances may allow.

28. The notice of special meeting shall be in Form No. 22 annexed hereto.

29. The chairman of the special meeting shall report to the Registrar as he may direct.

#### *Special Resolutions.*

30. Every application for approval of change of name must be made in duplicate in Form No. 23 annexed hereto, and must be sent to the Registrar accompanied by a statutory declaration in Form No. 24 annexed hereto. If approved of, the word "approved" shall be written at the foot or end of each such copy, and the same shall be signed by the Registrar.

31. Every application to register a special resolution for the amalgamation of societies must be made by each of the societies in duplicate in Form No. 25 annexed hereto, and must be sent to the Registrar accompanied by statutory declarations from officers of each society in Form No. 24. No acknowledgment of registry shall be given to either society until special resolutions in the like terms have been submitted for registry by the other or others.

32. Every application to register a special resolution for the transfer of the engagements of a society to another must be in duplicate in Form No. 26 annexed hereto, and must be sent to the Registrar accompanied by statutory declarations in Forms No. 24 and No. 27.

33. Every application to register a special resolution for converting a society into a company must be in duplicate in Form No. 28 annexed hereto, and must be sent to the Registrar accompanied by a statutory declaration in Form No. 24.

34. An application for registry of a special resolution for amalgamation with a company, or for transfer of engagements to a company, shall be in duplicate in Form No. 25 or No. 26, as the case may be, with the necessary modifications to suit the facts, and shall be accompanied by statutory declarations in Forms No. 24 and No. 29.

35. A special resolution shall be registered by writing at the foot or end of each copy of the same the word "registered," and by affixing to the same the seal or stamp of the Registrar.

36. Where the special resolution is for conversion into, amalgamation with, or transfer of all the engagements of a society to a company, the following words shall be added: "The registry of the Society is hereby cancelled [or directed to be cancelled"].

Registrar.

#### *Conversion of Registered Societies into Branches.*

37. Every application to register a society as a branch shall be made in the Form No. 30 hereto annexed, and shall be accompanied by a statutory declaration in Form No. 31 hereto annexed, made and signed by the chairman of the meeting at which the resolution for conversion was passed, and by the secretary of the society.

38. The notice of cancellation of the registry of the society, and of its registration as a branch, shall be in Form No. 32 hereto annexed.

#### *Dissolution.*

39. The instrument of dissolution shall be in Form No. 33 hereto annexed, and shall be signed in duplicate and accompanied by a statutory declaration in Form No. 34 hereto annexed, and by a statement naming some newspaper circulating in the city, town, or place in which the registered office of the society is situated, wherein it is desired that notice of the dissolution shall be published, and by the sum requisite to defray the expenses of such publication, and by the further sum requisite for the like publication in the *Gazette*.

40. The Registrar shall return one of the duplicates to the society with an acknowledgment of registry in Form No. 35 hereto annexed.

41. Alterations in the instrument of dissolution shall be signed, declared to, and registered in like manner.

42. The advertisement of dissolution by instrument shall be in Form No. 36 hereto annexed.

43. Every application for dissolution by award of the Registrar shall be in Form No. 37 hereto annexed, and shall name some newspaper circulating in the city, town, or place in which the registered office of

the society is situated, wherein it is desired that notice of the award shall be published, and with it shall be sent the sum requisite to defray the expenses of such publication, and the further sum requisite for the like publication in the *Gazette*.

44. The notice of investigation shall be in Form No. 38 hereto annexed, and the award in Form No. 39.

45. The award of the Registrar for distribution of funds shall be in Form No. 40 hereto annexed.

46. The notice of dissolution by award shall be in Form No. 41 hereto annexed.

47. Notice shall be sent to the Registrar of any proceeding to set aside the dissolution of a society or branch, not less than seven days before it is commenced, by the person taking such proceeding, in the Form No. 42; and of any order setting a dissolution aside, by the society or branch, within seven days after such order is made, in the Form No. 43.

#### *Societies with Branches.*

48. No branch of a society can be registered under this Act which is already registered as a separate society, nor is any such branch to be included in any list of branches under section 30, unless and until its separate registry has been cancelled.

49. When the cancellation of the registry of any branch as a separate society is desired, with a view to its registration as a branch, the application must be made as required by Regulation 37.

50. In registering branch rules the Registrar shall see—

1. That the objects of the branch are not other than those, or one or more of those, of the Society:

2. That provision is made for the control of the central body of the society over the branch:

3. That there is a separate fund administered by the branch, or by a committee or officers appointed by the branch:

4. The matters specified in Schedule II. to the Act, except as to annual and quinquennial returns to the Registrar, are provided for, so far as the same are applicable to the branch in respect of any separate fund or funds.

51. Branch rules produced with the application for registry of a society with branches must be signed by three members and the secretary of the same.

52. An application to register an amendment of branch rules may be made by an officer of the society, in which case the statutory declaration in support thereof must be made by the secretary of the branch in Form No. 46 annexed hereto; or by the secretary of the branch, in which case the statutory declaration must be made by an officer of the society in Form No. 45.

53. Notice of any change in the place where a branch is established, and of any appointment of a new trustee of a branch, or officer to sue and be sued on behalf of the same, shall be sent by the society to the Registrar within three months after such change of place or appointment, in Forms No. 47 and No. 48 annexed hereto respectively.

54. Notice of the establishment of a new branch under section 30 (3) of the Act shall be in Form No. 44 annexed hereto.

55. The annual and quinquennial returns of a society with branches shall include all branches of the society registered under the Act.

The valuation of a society with branches shall include all funds under the control of the central body of such society.

A registered branch shall, in respect of the valuation of any fund or funds administered by itself, or by a committee or officers appointed by itself, be subject to the same obligations, and such branch,

its officers or committee, shall be liable to the same penalties as if it were a registered society.

*Application of the Act to Industrial Assurance Companies, and to Unregistered Friendly Societies.*

56. For the purposes of the Act, so far as its provisions apply to industrial assurance companies or to unregistered friendly societies, the memorandum and articles of association of any industrial assurance company registered under the Companies Acts, or the instrument constituting any company not so registered, and the rules, laws, or regulations of any unregistered friendly society, shall be deemed to be the rules of such company or society respectively; the registered office under the Companies Acts, or the principal place of business of such company or society respectively, shall be deemed to be the registered office of the same under the Act; and the directors of any company shall be deemed to be included in the expression "the committee or managers" thereof.

*Fees.*

57. The following fees shall be payable for matters to be transacted, and the inspection of documents under this Act:—

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| For the acknowledgment of registry of a specially authorized society ... ..  | 1 | 0  | 0  |
| For the acknowledgment of registry of every amendment of the rules of the same ... ..  | 0 | 10 | 0  |
| For the registry of a special resolution by any society (to include in the case of a change of name, the approval of the same) ... ..  | 0 | 10 | 0  |
| For a direction to transfer funds or money ... ..  | 1 | 0  | 0  |
| For every appointment of inspectors, or calling of a special meeting by the Registrar ... ..   | 1 | 0  | 0  |
| For the determination of the Registrar on a dispute, or for his award for dissolution or distribution of funds ... ..  | 1 | 0  | 0  |
| And if more than one hearing or adjournment become necessary, then £1 more for every hearing after the first, and for every adjournment.   |   |    |    |
| For any order of the Registrar dispensing with consents and conditions for amalgamation or transfer of engagements ... ..  | 1 | 0  | 0  |
| For every document (except as after mentioned) required to be signed by the Registrar, or to bear the seal of the Registry Office, not chargeable with any other fee to the Registrar ... .. | 0 | 2  | 6  |
| For every inspection on the same day of documents (whether one or more) in the custody of the Registrar relating to one and the same society...  | 0 | 1  | 0  |

For every copy or extract of any document in the custody of the Registrar, not exceeding 216 words, 1s.; and if exceeding that number, 4d. per folio of 72 words (in addition to the fee, if any, for the signature of the Registrar, or seal of the Registry Office).

- No fee is payable for the registry or recording of—
- The cancelling or suspension of registry of a society:
- Any notice of change of office, or of the appointment of trustees:
- Any notice of the establishment of a branch, or the rules of the same, or any amendment thereof:
- Any instrument of dissolution, or any amendment therein:
- Any document or copy of document supplied to a public department.
- Any document in respect of which a fee is already chargeable under or by virtue of the Act or of any other statute.

The Registrar may also dispense with the fee for inspection of documents in cases where he may consider it for the public interest to do so.

*Seal of Registry Office.*

58. The seal of the Registry Office shall bear the Royal Arms, with the words "Registrar of Friendly

Societies" around or above, and the words "New Zealand" below.

59. The seal of the Registry Office shall be deemed a sufficient signature of the Registrar of Friendly Societies, or of the Revising Barrister appointed to certify the rules of Friendly Societies, for the purposes of section 9, sub-section (4) of the Act.

*Modification of Forms.*

60. The forms hereto annexed may be modified to suit particular cases, by authority of the Registrar.

*Limited Special Authorities.*

61. Where a limited application of the provisions of the Act is authorized for any purpose by the Governor, such limitation shall be stated, whether by way of enumeration or exception, in the rules of every society registered for such purpose.

62. The forms annexed to Regulations 1 to 54 may be modified, by authority of the Registrar, to suit any limited application of the provisions of the Act by special authority of the Governor.

63. The acknowledgment of registry of a specially authorized society, where the application of the provisions of the Act is limited, shall be in Form No. 49 hereto annexed.

64. A society may be registered for any of the purposes specified in the Act, conjointly with any specially authorized purpose. If the special authority is a limited one, such society shall not, in respect of any of its purposes, be entitled to any of the privileges or exemptions of the Act beyond such as are contained in the provisions specified in the special authority, but shall, notwithstanding anything in such special authority contained, be subject, in respect of any purposes other than those specially authorized, to the same duties and obligations as if it were not a specially authorized society.

65. No valuation of the assets and liabilities of a society or branch shall be deemed to be a valuation under the Act, where the person by whom the same is made, has audited the accounts of the society or branch for the year next preceding the date at which the society or branch is valued.

66. Where a society or branch desires that its assets and liabilities shall be valued and reported on by an Actuary to be named by the Registrar, the return of benefits and contributions, funds and effects, debts and credits, which the society or branch is required to make in form prescribed by the Registrar, shall be accompanied with a fee on the following scale, viz.,—

|  |     |     |       |     |     |
|--|-----|-----|-------|-----|-----|
| If the number of members does not exceed |     |     |       |     |     |
| 150                                      | ... | ... | ...   | ... | £10 |
| If over 150 but not exceeding 250        |     |     |       |     | 15  |
| "    250                                 | "   | "   | 350   | ... | 20  |
| "    350                                 | "   | "   | 500   | ... | 25  |
| "    500                                 | "   | "   | 700   | ... | 40  |
| "    700                                 | "   | "   | 1,000 | ... | 55  |

With an additional £25 for every 500 members or portion thereof beyond 1,000. Where the number of members exceeds 2,500, a special fee shall be fixed by the Registrar for the valuation.

67. If the Registrar causes the assets and liabilities of a society or branch to be valued and reported on by the Actuary attached to the Registry Office, the fee to be received for the same shall be paid into the consolidated revenue of the colony; but if he shall cause the same to be valued by any other Actuary, three-fourths only of the fee, as per Regulation 66, shall be paid to such Actuary, and the remaining one-fourth into the consolidated revenue of the colony.

*Applications for Dispensing with Consents to Amalgamation, &c.*

68. Notice of an application that any of the

consents and conditions prescribed for an amalgamation or transfer of engagements may be dispensed with, shall be advertised in the *Gazette* at least one month before application is made to the Registrar in that behalf. Such notice shall be in Form No. 50 hereto annexed.

69. The application that any of the consents and conditions prescribed for an amalgamation or transfer of engagements may be dispensed with, shall be in Form No. 51 hereto annexed, and shall be sent to the Registrar in duplicate, with a copy of the *Gazette* in which advertisement of the same is published.

70. If, after hearing the trustees or committee of management and other persons whom he considers entitled to be heard, and to whom such notice shall be sent as the Registrar directs, the Registrar thinks fit to entertain the application, he shall transmit a copy of the same to the Governor for his consent thereto.

71. Where any consents or conditions prescribed for an amalgamation or transfer of engagements are dispensed with, Forms Nos. 25, 26, 27, 28, and 30, as the case may be, may be modified by authority of the Registrar to suit the circumstances of the case.

72. In registering a special resolution for amalgamation or transfer of engagements, as prescribed by Regulation 36, where any prescribed consents or conditions have been dispensed with, the words "and confirmed by the Registrar" shall be added after the word "registered."

73. If, on an application for dispensing with any prescribed consents or conditions to an amalgamation or transfer of engagements, more than one hearing or adjournment become necessary, the same fee shall be payable in respect of the same, as in the case of a dispute.

#### *Fees on certain Investigations.*

74. Where application is made for an investigation into the affairs of a society, with a view to the dissolution thereof, upon the ground that the rates of contribution fixed in the rules of such society are insufficient to cover the benefits assured, the Registrar may, if he thinks fit, at any time before making his award, require the payment of such fee as he may deem reasonable, not exceeding the scale fixed by Regulation 66, and such fee shall be paid in manner prescribed in Regulation 67.

Form No. 1.—Regs. 1, 18.

NEW ZEALAND.

"Friendly Societies Act, 1877."

#### APPLICATION TO REGISTER A SOCIETY.

Name of society :

To the Registrar of Friendly Societies.

APPLICATION to register a society under the above-mentioned Act, under the name of \_\_\_\_\_, is made by the eight persons whose names are subscribed at the foot hereof.

1. The society is a friendly society [or cattle insurance society, or benevolent society, or working men's club, or specially authorized society, as the case may be].

(a.) \* The society is one having branches.

(b.) \* The society is one receiving contributions by means of collectors at a greater distance than ten miles from the registered office.

2. The name and place of the registered office of the society are provided for in Rule No. [State number].

3. The whole of the objects for which the society is to be established, the purposes for which the funds thereof shall be applicable, the terms of admission of members, the conditions under which any member may become entitled to any benefit

assured thereby, and the fines and forfeitures to be imposed on any member, are provided for in Rule No. [State number].

4. The mode of holding meetings and right of voting, and the manner of making, altering, or rescinding rules, are provided for in Rule No. [State number].

5. The appointment and removal of a committee of management, by the name of \_\_\_\_\_, of a treasurer and other officers, and of trustees, are provided for in Rule No. [State number].

6. \* The composition of the central body, and the conditions under which a branch may secede from the society, are provided for in Rule No. [State number].

7. The investment of the funds, the keeping of the accounts, and the audit of the same once a year at least, are provided for in Rule No. [State number].

8. Annual returns to the Registrar of the receipts, funds, effects, and expenditure, and number of members of the society, are provided for in Rule No. [State number].

9. The inspection of the books of the society by every person having an interest in the funds of the society (except as in the said Act is mentioned) is provided for in Rule No. [State number].

10. The manner in which disputes between the society and any of its members, or any person claiming through a member or under the rules, shall be settled, is provided for in Rule No. [State number].

11. † Provision is made for meeting all claims upon the society existing at the time of division before any such division takes place, in Rule No. [State number].

12. ‡ The keeping separate accounts of all moneys received or paid on account of every particular fund or benefit assured for which a separate table of contributions payable shall have been adopted, and the keeping separate account of the expenses of management, and of all contributions on account thereof, are provided for in Rule No. [State number].

13. § Returns every five years to the Registrar, of the sickness and mortality of the society, are provided for in Rule No. [State number].

14. A valuation once at least in every five years of the assets and liabilities of the society, including the estimated risks and contributions, is provided for in Rule No. [State number].

15. Provision for the voluntary dissolution of the society by consent of not less than five-sixths in value of the members, and of every person for the time being entitled to any benefit from the funds of the society, unless his claim be first satisfied or adequately provided for, is made in Rule No. [State number].

16. The right of one-fifth of the total number of members [or of 100 members if the society have 1,000 and not exceeding 10,000, or of 500 members if the society have more than 10,000] to apply to the Registrar for an investigation of the affairs of the society, or for winding up the same, is provided for in Rule No. [State number].

17. ¶ It being intended to assure to the members or some of them a certain annuity, the tables of contributions for such assurance are certified by \_\_\_\_\_, Esquire, an actuary qualified to give such certificate under section 10 of the said Act.

18. \*\* The provisions of section 31 of the above-mentioned Act are contained in Rule No. [State number].

With this application are sent—

- (a.) Two printed [or written] copies of the rules [†† together with the tables of contributions for annuities, certified as aforesaid], each marked A, and signed by each of the applicants.
- (b.) A list marked B of the names of the secretary, and of every trustee or other officer authorized to sue and be sued on behalf of the society.
- (c.) †† A list marked C of every branch, and of the place where the same is established, and of the trustees or officers (if any) authorized to sue and be sued on behalf of each branch respectively.
- (d.) A copy [or copies] marked D of the branch rules which are [or are not] intended to be identical.

\* If the society is not one with branches, a line should be drawn through this statement.

† If the society does not divide its funds, a line should be drawn through this statement.

‡ If the society is not a friendly society, or a cattle insurance society, a line should be drawn through this and the remaining numbered statements, or if it be a specially authorized society, through any which are not rendered applicable by the authority for registering the same.

§ If the society is a cattle insurance society, a line should be drawn through this and the next statement.

¶ If the number of members is limited to be less than 1,000 or less than 10,000 members, the bracketed words relating to both or either of such cases should be struck out.

¶ If this is not intended, a line should be drawn through this statement.

\*\* If the society is not one to which section 31 applies, a line should be drawn through this statement.

†† If the society does not grant annuities, these words should be struck out.

‡‡ A line should be drawn through C and D if the society is not one having branches.

\* If this is not the case, a line should be drawn through this statement.



thinks fit, add a statement, as in Form No. 5, of the ground of the cancelling].

Date: day of \_\_\_\_\_, 18\_\_\_\_, (Signed) \_\_\_\_\_, Registrar.

Form No. 7.—Reg. 8.

NEW ZEALAND.

"Friendly Societies Act, 1877."

SUSPENSION OR RENEWAL OF SUSPENSION OF REGISTRY.

Name of society : \_\_\_\_\_  
Register No. \_\_\_\_\_

THE Registry of the above-mentioned society is hereby [further\*] suspended for [any term not exceeding] three months from this date, on the ground that [Here state the ground of suspension, as in Form No. 5.]

Date: day of \_\_\_\_\_, 18\_\_\_\_, (Signed) \_\_\_\_\_, Registrar.

\* This word will be inserted only in case of renewal of suspension.

Form No. 8.—Reg. 9.

ADVERTISEMENT OF CANCELLING OR SUSPENSION.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Registrar of Friendly Societies has, pursuant to section 11 of "The Friendly Societies Act, 1877," by writing under his hand dated the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 18\_\_\_\_, cancelled [or suspended for (State the term)] the registry of the \_\_\_\_\_ society (Register No. \_\_\_\_\_), held at [Here state the ground for cancelling or suspension].

The society, subject to the right of appeal given by the said Act, ceases to enjoy [during such suspension] the privileges of a registered society, but without prejudice to any liability incurred by the society, which may be enforced against it as if such cancelling [or suspension] had not taken place.

(Signed) \_\_\_\_\_, Registrar.

Form No. 9.—Reg. 10.

NEW ZEALAND.

"Friendly Societies Act, 1877."

NOTICE OF CHANGE OF REGISTERED OFFICE.

Name of society : \_\_\_\_\_  
Register No. \_\_\_\_\_

NOTICE is hereby given that the registered office of the above-mentioned society is removed from \_\_\_\_\_, in the city [town, or place] of \_\_\_\_\_, and is now situated at \_\_\_\_\_, in the city [town, or place] of \_\_\_\_\_.

Dated this \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_, 18\_\_\_\_.

} Trustees.\*  
Secretary.

To the Registrar.

† Received this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, notice of removal of the registered office of the \_\_\_\_\_ society, Register No. \_\_\_\_\_, to \_\_\_\_\_, in the city [town or place] of \_\_\_\_\_.

[Seal of Registry Office, or signature of Registrar.]

\* All trustees to sign.

† This part to be detached by the Registrar when the notice is registered, and returned to the society.

Form No. 10.—Reg. 11.

NEW ZEALAND.

"Friendly Societies Act, 1877."

NOTICE OF RESOLUTION APPOINTING TRUSTEES.

Name of society : \_\_\_\_\_  
Register No. \_\_\_\_\_

At a meeting of the society, held the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 18\_\_\_\_, it was resolved, by a majority of the members present and entitled to vote, That \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_, and \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_, [Give full name, address, and description] be a trustee [or trustees] of the society. [If it is not a first appointment, add in place of \_\_\_\_\_, deceased, or resigned, or removed, as the case may be.]

(Signed) \_\_\_\_\_, Trustee.  
\_\_\_\_\_, Trustee.  
\_\_\_\_\_, Trustee.  
\_\_\_\_\_, Secretary.

\* Received this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 18\_\_\_\_, notice of the appointment of \_\_\_\_\_ as trustees of the \_\_\_\_\_ society, register No. \_\_\_\_\_.

[Seal of the Registry Office, or signature of the Registrar.]

\* This part to be detached by the Registrar when the notice is registered, and returned to the society.

Form No. 11.—Reg. 13.

NEW ZEALAND.

"Friendly Societies Act, 1877."

APPLICATION FOR DIRECTION TO TRANSFER FUNDS, DEBENTURES, SECURITIES, OR MONEY.

Name of society : \_\_\_\_\_  
Register No. \_\_\_\_\_

APPLICATION for a direction to transfer funds [debentures, securities, or moneys] is made by the four persons whose names are subscribed at the foot hereof, being the secretary and three members of the above-mentioned society.

1. The society, at a meeting held on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, by a resolution of a majority of the members present, and entitled to vote thereat, appointed \_\_\_\_\_ o [Here name and describe all the trustees then appointed], to be trustees.

2. A copy of such resolution, duly signed, was sent to the Registrar.

3. On the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, the sum of \_\_\_\_\_ was invested [in the purchase of] [Describe nature of funds, debentures, securities, or moneys] in the names of the said trustees, and the same is still standing in their names, as follows: [State exactly in what names the funds stand].

4. The said \_\_\_\_\_ is absent from New Zealand [or became bankrupt, on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, or filed a petition (or executed a deed) for liquidation of his affairs by assignment or arrangement or for composition with his creditors, on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, or has become a lunatic, or died on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, or has not been heard of for \_\_\_\_\_ years, and it is not known whether he is living or dead].

5. On the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, the society, by a resolution of a majority of the members present and entitled to vote at a meeting thereof, removed the said \_\_\_\_\_ from his office of trustee, and appointed [Give full name and description] in his place; and a copy of such resolution, duly signed, was sent to the Registrar.

6. Since such removal, application has been made in writing to the said [removed trustee] to join in the transfer of the said funds [debentures, securities, or moneys] into the names of the said [Here give the names of the other trustees, and of the new trustee appointed in the place of the one removed], as trustees for the said society, but he has refused to comply [or has not complied] with such application. [This paragraph may be omitted, or varied, as the facts require.]

7. This application to the Registrar is made pursuant to "The Friendly Societies Act, 1877," section 14, that he may direct the said funds, debentures, securities, or moneys to be

transferred into the names of the said \_\_\_\_\_, as trustees for the society, by \_\_\_\_\_ [This blank should be filled by the names of the surviving or continuing trustees (if any), and if they be willing and able to make the transfer; but if there be no such trustee, or if any such trustee refuse or be unable to make the transfer, then by the words by such officer or person or persons as the Registrar shall direct; and a full statement of the facts and of the grounds of such refusal or inability should be made.]

(Signed) \_\_\_\_\_, Secretary.  
 \_\_\_\_\_, Member.  
 \_\_\_\_\_, Member.  
 \_\_\_\_\_, Member.

Registered Office,  
 Date: \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 18 \_\_\_\_  
 To the Registrar.

Form No. 12.—Reg. 13.

NEW ZEALAND.

“Friendly Societies Act, 1877.”

**DECLARATION VERIFYING STATEMENTS IN AN APPLICATION FOR DIRECTION TO TRANSFER FUNDS OR MONEY.**

Name of society :  
 Register No.

I, \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_, do solemnly and sincerely declare that I am the secretary of the above-mentioned society.

That \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_, whose names are subscribed at the foot of the application hereto annexed, are members of the said society.

That \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ have been duly appointed trustees of the said society.

That on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 18 \_\_\_\_, the sum of \_\_\_\_\_ was invested in [the purchase of] \_\_\_\_\_ [Describe nature of funds, debentures, securities, or moneys], in the names of the then trustees of the said society, and the declarant believes that the said funds [debentures, &c.] are now standing vested in the names of the said \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_, as follows [State as in Form No. 11].

That the said \_\_\_\_\_ is absent from New Zealand [or as the case may be].

That on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 18 \_\_\_\_, the said \_\_\_\_\_ was removed from his office of trustee, and \_\_\_\_\_ was appointed in his place.

That since such removal application has been made in writing to the said \_\_\_\_\_ to join in the transfer of the said funds [debentures, securities, or moneys] into the names of the said \_\_\_\_\_, as trustees for the said society, but he has refused to comply [or has not complied] with such application. [This paragraph may be omitted or varied as the facts require.]

And I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of an Act of the General Assembly of New Zealand intituled “The Justices of the Peace Act, 1866.”

(Signed) \_\_\_\_\_, Secretary.

Made and subscribed at \_\_\_\_\_ in the Colony of New Zealand, this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and \_\_\_\_\_, before me [one of Her Majesty’s Justices of the Peace in and for the said colony.]

Form No. 13.—Reg. 16.

NEW ZEALAND.

“Friendly Societies Act, 1877.”

**DIRECTION BY THE REGISTRAR TO TRANSFER FUNDS, DEBENTURES, SECURITIES, OR MONEY.**

WHEREAS it has been made to appear to me that \_\_\_\_\_ [Describe nature of funds, debentures, securities, or moneys] is now standing in the names of \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_, as trustees of \_\_\_\_\_, a society registered under the above-mentioned Act.

And that the said \_\_\_\_\_ is absent from New Zealand [or as the case may be].

And that \_\_\_\_\_ has been appointed trustee of the said society in place of the said \_\_\_\_\_

(a)\* I, as Registrar under the said Act, hereby direct, pursuant to section 14 of the said Act, that the said \_\_\_\_\_ [State nature and amount of funds, debentures, securities, or moneys] standing in the names of the said \_\_\_\_\_ be transferred by the said \_\_\_\_\_ into the names of the said \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_

(b.) And that there is no surviving or continuing trustee of the said society [or that the surviving and continuing trustees refuse or are unable to transfer the said funds (debentures, securities, or moneys), in pursuance of my direction].

I, as Registrar under the said Act, hereby direct, pursuant to section 14 of the said Act, that the said sum of \_\_\_\_\_, so standing in the books of [or in the control of] the Colonial Treasurer, [or the \_\_\_\_\_ Bank of \_\_\_\_\_, or \_\_\_\_\_ (Name corporation, body, person or persons in whose books the funds or moneys are standing, or in whose control they are)] be transferred by the said Colonial Treasurer [or by \_\_\_\_\_ (designate officer, person, or persons by whom transfer is directed to be made)] into the names of the said \_\_\_\_\_

(Signed) \_\_\_\_\_, Registrar.

Address :  
 Date : \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 18 \_\_\_\_

\* The paragraphs marked (a) or (b) will be used as the case requires.

Form No. 14.—Reg. 19.

NEW ZEALAND.

“Friendly Societies Act, 1877.”

**REFERENCE OF A DISPUTE.**

DISPUTE between \_\_\_\_\_ and [\_\_\_\_\_ an officer of] the \_\_\_\_\_ society.

Register No.

THE above-named parties, by consent, refer the dispute between them to the Registrar.

(Signed) \_\_\_\_\_, Claimant.  
 \_\_\_\_\_, Officer or Trustees.

The said \_\_\_\_\_ states as follows:—

1. That he is a member [or claims through a member, or under the rules] of the said society.

2. That he claims to be entitled as follows [Give particulars of the claim.]

3. That the claim is proposed to be supported by the evidence of the following witnesses, and by the production of the following books and documents [Give list].

Signature :

Address :  
 Date : \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 18 \_\_\_\_

The said \_\_\_\_\_ as an officer (or as trustees) of the said society, states [or state] as follows:—

1. That he [or the society] disputes the claim of the said \_\_\_\_\_ on the following grounds [State grounds of dispute].

2. That his case [or the case of the society] is proposed to be supported by the evidence of the following witnesses, and by the production of the following books and documents [Give list].

Signature of the officer or signature of trustees.

Registered office :  
 Date : \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 18 \_\_\_\_

Form No. 15.—Reg. 21.

NEW ZEALAND.

“Friendly Societies Act, 1877.”

**NOTICE AND REQUISITION.**

DISPUTE between \_\_\_\_\_ and [\_\_\_\_\_ an officer of] the \_\_\_\_\_ society.

Register No.

To \_\_\_\_\_  
 TAKE notice that I shall proceed to hear the matter in dispute, which has been referred to me pursuant to the said Act, on



the day of next, at o'clock, at . And that I shall require the attendance there of all parties concerned, and of the witnesses named, and the production of the books and documents specified in the statement made by you in the reference of the dispute.

(Signed) , Registrar.  
Date: day of , 18 .

Form No. 16.—Reg. 22.

NEW ZEALAND.

“Friendly Societies Act, 1877.”

#### SPECIAL REQUISITION TO WITNESS.

DISPUTE between and [ an officer of ] the society.

Register No.

To  
PURSUANT to section 20 of the above-mentioned Act, you are required to attend at on the day of next, at o'clock, to give evidence relating to the matter in question, and to produce the following books and documents [State them].

(Signed) , Registrar.  
Date: day of , 18 .

N.B.—By s. 20 (b) of the said Act it is enacted that “the Registrar to whom any dispute is referred may administer oaths, and may require the attendance of all parties concerned, and of witnesses, and the production of all books and documents relating to the matter in question; and any person refusing to attend, or to produce any documents, or to give evidence before such Registrar, shall be guilty of an offence under this Act.”

The penalty for such offence is not less than one pound nor more than five pounds, and a new offence is committed in every week during which the default continues.

Form No. 17.—Reg. 23.

NEW ZEALAND.

“Friendly Societies Act, 1877.”

#### ORDER FOR DISCOVERY.

IN the matter of a dispute between and [ an officer of ] the society, Register No. referred to me pursuant to the above-mentioned Act:

I, , Esquire, Registrar, order and direct as follows:—

1. That within fourteen days from the service of this order do deposit at my office [State where] for inspection by the parties the following documents [State the documents].

2. That on the day of next, at o'clock [\*an officer of the society] do appear before me at my office above-named, and make discovery upon oath of all things within his knowledge [\*as such officer] relative to the following matters [State the matters as to which discovery is granted].

Given under my hand this day of 18 .  
(Signed) , Registrar.

N.B.—By section 20 (e) of the said Act it is enacted that the Registrar to whom any dispute is referred may grant to either party such discovery as to documents and otherwise, or such inspection of documents, as might be granted by any Court of law or equity, such discovery to be made on behalf of the society or registered branch by such officer of the same as such Registrar may determine.

\* These words will be omitted if the discovery is to be made by the other party to the dispute.

Form No. 18.—Reg. 24.

NEW ZEALAND.

“Friendly Societies Act, 1877.”

#### DETERMINATION AND ORDER.

IN the matter of a dispute between and [ officer of ] the society, Register No. , referred to me pursuant to the above-mentioned Act:

3—H. 14.

I, , Esquire, Registrar, determine as follows:—

The said [or the trustees of the society] shall on or before the day of next, pay to the sum of ; [or the society or name of party shall, on or before the day of next, reinstate the said as a member, or whatever the act may be that the Registrar thinks ought to be done by the party. Other provisions may here be added if necessary, and the payment of a sum of money by way of damages may be provided for as an alternative to the doing of any act]:

Or, the society is not indebted to [name of party, or as the case may require].

The expenses hereof are ordered to be paid out of the funds of the society [or as the case may be].

Given under my hand this day of , 18 .  
(Signed) , Registrar.

N.B.—Under section 20 of the above-mentioned Act, application for the enforcement of this order may be made to a Resident Magistrate's Court.

Form No. 19.—Reg. 25

NEW ZEALAND.

“Friendly Societies Act, 1877.”

#### APPLICATION UNDER SPECIAL POWERS OF REGISTRAR.

Name of society :

Register No.

APPLICATION made pursuant to section 21 of the above-mentioned Act.

1. The above-mentioned society has members.  
2. This application is signed by one-fifth of the members [or by 100 members if the whole number exceeds 1,000 and does not exceed 10,000; or 500 members if the whole number exceeds 10,000].

3. The application is, that the Registrar may appoint inspectors [or may call a special meeting] pursuant to the said section.

4. The grounds of the application are as follow [State the grounds fully].

5. The applicants are prepared to support the application by the following evidence, for the purpose of showing that they have good reason for making the application, and are not actuated by malicious motives in doing so—viz., a statutory declaration hereto annexed by [names] three of the present applicants, and [Here state the nature of the evidence proposed to be given].

6. The applicants are prepared, if required, to give security for costs to the extent of [State amount].

\* Signatures of applicants :

Address to which communications are to be sent :

Date: day of 18 .

\* Signatures by mark only must be attested by a witness not being one of the applicants.

Form No. 20.—Reg. 25.

NEW ZEALAND.

“Friendly Societies Act, 1877.”

#### DECLARATION IN SUPPORT OF APPLICATION UNDER SPECIAL POWERS OF REGISTRAR.

Name of society :

Register No.

WE, three of the members of the above-named society, do solemnly and sincerely declare that, in making the application, a copy of which is hereto annexed, we are not, nor to the best of our knowledge and belief is any person whose signature is appended to such application, actuated by malicious motives, and that to the best of our knowledge and belief there is good reason for making such application.

And we make this declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of an Act of the General Assembly of New Zealand intituled “The Justices of the Peace Act, 1866.”

Made and subscribed at \_\_\_\_\_, in the Colony of New Zealand, this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and \_\_\_\_\_, before me [one of Her Majesty's Justices of the Peace in and for the said colony].

Form No. 21.—Reg. 27.

NEW ZEALAND.

"Friendly Societies Act, 1877."

APPOINTMENT OF INSPECTORS.

Name of society :  
Register No.

PURSUANT to section 21 of the above-mentioned Act, I hereby appoint [and \_\_\_\_\_] inspector [or inspectors], to examine into the affairs of the above-mentioned society, and to report thereon.

One copy of the application for inspection is sent herewith for the guidance of the inspector [or inspectors].

He [or they] may require the production of all or any of the books and documents of the society, and may examine on oath its officers, members, agents, and servants in relation to its business, and may administer such oath.

The inspection is to commence on \_\_\_\_\_ the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ next, at \_\_\_\_\_ o'clock, and to be held at \_\_\_\_\_ (Signed) \_\_\_\_\_, Registrar.  
Date : \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 18 \_\_\_\_\_.

Form No. 22.—Reg. 28.

NEW ZEALAND.

"Friendly Societies Act, 1877."

NOTICE OF SPECIAL MEETING TO BE HELD BY THE REGISTRAR'S DIRECTION.

[To be given either by letter addressed to every member, or by advertisement, or in such other manner as the Registrar directs.]

Name of society :  
Register No.

NOTICE is hereby given that a special meeting of the above-mentioned society will be held, by direction of the Registrar, pursuant to section 21 of the above-mentioned Act, on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ next, at \_\_\_\_\_ o'clock, at which meeting shall appoint its own chairman, and shall then proceed to discuss and determine on the following matters [State them].

(Signed) \_\_\_\_\_, Registrar.  
Date : \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 18 \_\_\_\_\_.

Form No. 23.—Reg. 30.

NEW ZEALAND.

"Friendly Societies Act, 1877."

APPLICATION FOR APPROVAL OF CHANGE OF NAME AND REGISTRY OF SPECIAL RESOLUTION.

Name already registered :  
Register No.

To the Registrar of Friendly Societies.

APPLICATION for approval of a change of name of the above-mentioned society, and for registry of a special resolution to that effect, is made by the three persons whose names are subscribed at the foot hereof.

The following is a copy of a special resolution passed by the votes of three-fourths of the members present and entitled to vote at a general meeting of the society, of which notice was duly given, held on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 18 \_\_\_\_\_, pursuant to section 22 of the above-mentioned Act [The resolution to be copied at length].

(Signed) \_\_\_\_\_, Secretary.

{ Chairman of the first general meeting.

{ Chairman of the subsequent general meeting.

Registered Office :

Date : \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 18 \_\_\_\_\_.

Form No. 24.—Regs. 30, 31, 32, 33, 34.

NEW ZEALAND.

"Friendly Societies Act, 1877."

DECLARATION TO ACCOMPANY APPLICATION FOR REGISTRY OF A SPECIAL RESOLUTION.

Name of society :  
Register No.

I, \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_, an officer of the above-named society, do solemnly and sincerely declare that, in making the special resolution, application for registry of which is appended to this declaration, the provisions of section 22 of "The Friendly Societies Act, 1877," have been duly complied with.

And I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of an Act of the General Assembly of New Zealand intituled "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1866."

Made and subscribed at \_\_\_\_\_, in the Colony of New Zealand, this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and \_\_\_\_\_, before me [one of Her Majesty's Justices of the Peace in and for the said colony].

Form No. 25.—Regs. 31, 34.

NEW ZEALAND.

"Friendly Societies Act, 1877."

APPLICATION FOR REGISTRY OF SPECIAL RESOLUTION FOR AMALGAMATION OF SOCIETIES.

\*Name of society (a)

Register No.

Name of society (b)

Register No.

[And so on if more than two.]

To the Registrar of Friendly Societies.

APPLICATION for registry of a special resolution for the amalgamation of the above-mentioned societies is made by the three persons whose names are subscribed at the foot hereof :

1. The following is a copy of a special resolution passed by the votes of three-fourths of the members present and entitled to vote at a general meeting of the (a) \_\_\_\_\_, of which notice was duly given, held on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 18 \_\_\_\_\_, pursuant to section 22 of the above-mentioned Act [The resolution to be copied at length].

† 2. The number of votes to which all the members of the (a) \_\_\_\_\_ society are entitled pursuant to section 26 (7) of the said Act is \_\_\_\_\_; the number of votes of the members who assented at the said meeting is \_\_\_\_\_; and the written consents of members entitled to \_\_\_\_\_ votes, and of every person for the time being receiving or entitled to any relief, annuity, or other benefit from the funds of the society, are

\* As this application must be made by each society, the order in which the societies are named must be inverted or changed in each application.

† This will only be necessary when the society is a friendly society, and the consents, or any of them, have not been dispensed with by the Registrar.

appended hereto [except the consents of \_\_\_\_\_, whose claims have been duly satisfied or have been provided for. (State in what manner such provision has been made.)].

{ Secretary of the first-named society. }  
{ Chairman of the first general meeting. }  
{ Chairman of the subsequent general meeting. }

Registered office [of the a]:  
Date: day of \_\_\_\_\_, 18 .

Form No. 26.—Regs. 32, 34.

NEW ZEALAND.

“Friendly Societies Act, 1877.”

APPLICATION FOR REGISTRY OF A SPECIAL RESOLUTION FOR TRANSFER OF ENGAGEMENTS.

Name of society transferring its engagements:  
Register No.  
Name of society undertaking to fulfil transferred engagements:  
Register No.

To the Registrar of Friendly Societies.

APPLICATION for registry of a special resolution for transfer of engagements of the first-named society is made by the\* persons whose names are subscribed.

1. The following is a copy of a special resolution passed by the votes of three-fourths of the members present and entitled to vote, at a general meeting of the first-named society, of which notice was duly given, held the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 18 , and confirmed by a majority of the members present and entitled to vote at a subsequent general meeting, of which notice was duly given, held the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 18 , and confirmed by a majority of the members present and entitled to vote at a subsequent general meeting, of which notice was duly given, held on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 18 [The resolution to be copied at full length].

† 2. The number of votes to which all the members of the first-named society are entitled pursuant to section 26 (7) of the said Act is \_\_\_\_\_; the number of votes of the members who assented at the said meeting is \_\_\_\_\_; and the written consents of members entitled to \_\_\_\_\_ votes, and of every person for the time being receiving or entitled to any relief, annuity, or other benefit from the funds of the society, are appended hereto, except the consents of \_\_\_\_\_, whose claims have been duly satisfied or have been provided for [State in what manner such provision has been made].

3. The last-named society has [State in what manner] undertaken to fulfil the engagements of the first-named society, as testified by the signatures of the trustees and secretary of the said last-named society to this application, and by the declaration of the secretary of the same sent with this application.

{ Chairman of the first general meeting. }  
{ Secretary of the first-named society. }  
{ Chairman of the subsequent general meeting. }  
{ Trustees of the last-named society. }  
{ Secretary of the last-named society. }

Registered Office of transferring society:  
Date: day of \_\_\_\_\_, 18 .

\* The number will vary according to that of the trustees of the society undertaking to fulfil transferred engagements.

† This will only be necessary when the society is a friendly society, and the consents, or any of them, have not been dispensed with by the Registrar.

Form No. 27.—Reg. 32.

NEW ZEALAND.

“Friendly Societies Act, 1877.”

DECLARATION BY OFFICER OF SOCIETY ACCEPTING TRANSFER OF ENGAGEMENTS.

Name of society:  
Register No.

I, \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_, an officer of the above-named society, do solemnly and sincerely declare that, by a resolution of a meeting

of the society held on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, at \_\_\_\_\_ [or as the case may be, stating by what authority the transfer is accepted], the society has undertaken to fulfil all the engagements of the \_\_\_\_\_ society, Register No. \_\_\_\_\_.

And I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of an Act of the General Assembly of New Zealand, intituled “The Justices of the Peace Act, 1866.”

Made and subscribed at \_\_\_\_\_, in the Colony of New Zealand, this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and \_\_\_\_\_, before me [one of Her Majesty’s Justices of the Peace in and for the said colony].

Form No. 28.—Reg. 33.

NEW ZEALAND.

“Friendly Societies Act, 1877.”

APPLICATION FOR REGISTRY OF SPECIAL RESOLUTION FOR CONVERSION INTO A COMPANY.

Name of society:  
Register No.

To the Registrar of Friendly Societies.

APPLICATION for registry of a special resolution for conversion of the above-mentioned society into a company is made by the three persons whose names are subscribed at the foot hereof.

The following is a copy of a special resolution passed by the votes of three-fourths of the members present and entitled to vote at a general meeting of the said society, of which notice was duly given, held on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 18 , and confirmed by a majority of the members present and entitled to vote at a subsequent general meeting, of which notice was duly given, held on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 18 , pursuant to section 22 of the above-mentioned Act [The resolution to be copied at length].

(Signed) \_\_\_\_\_, Secretary.  
{ Chairman of the first general meeting. }  
{ Chairman of the subsequent general meeting. }

Registered Office:  
Date: day of \_\_\_\_\_, 18 .

Form No. 29.—Reg. 34.

NEW ZEALAND.

“Friendly Societies Act, 1877.”

DECLARATION BY OFFICER OF COMPANY AMALGAMATING OR ACCEPTING TRANSFER OF ENGAGEMENTS.

Name of company:

I, \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_, an officer of the above-named company, do solemnly and sincerely declare that, by a resolution of a special general meeting of the company, held on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, at \_\_\_\_\_ [or as the case may be, stating by what authority the amalgamation is agreed to or the transfer of engagements accepted], the company has agreed to an amalgamation with [or undertaken to fulfil all the engagements of] the \_\_\_\_\_ society, Register No. \_\_\_\_\_.

And I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of an Act of the General Assembly of New Zealand intituled “The Justices of the Peace Act, 1866.”

Made and subscribed at \_\_\_\_\_, in the Colony of New Zealand, this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and \_\_\_\_\_, before me [one of Her Majesty’s Justices of the Peace in and for the said colony].

Form No. 30.—Reg. 37.

NEW ZEALAND.

“Friendly Societies Act, 1877.”

APPLICATION FOR THE CONVERSION OF A REGISTERED SOCIETY INTO A BRANCH.

Name of society :
Register No.

To the Registrar of Friendly Societies.

APPLICATION to register the above-mentioned society as a branch of the is made by the three persons whose names are subscribed at the foot hereof.

With this application are sent—

(a.) Two copies, each marked A, of the resolution passed at a general meeting of the said society, of which notice was duly given, held on the day of , 18 , by which it was determined that the said society should become a branch under this Act of the above-mentioned

(b.) A copy, marked B, of the rules of the first-mentioned society [\*marked to show the amendments made at the above-mentioned meeting].

[(c.) Two copies, each marked C, of such amendments of rules].

{ Secretary of the first-named society.
{ Chairman of the general meeting.
{ Secretary of the second-named society.

Registered office :

Date : day of , 18 .

\* If no amendments of rules were made at the meeting, the words in brackets should be struck out.

Form No. 31.—Reg. 37.

NEW ZEALAND.

“Friendly Societies Act, 1877.”

DECLARATION TO ACCOMPANY APPLICATION FOR CONVERSION OF A REGISTERED SOCIETY INTO A BRANCH.

Name of society :
Register No.

WE, of , chairman of the meeting at which a resolution was passed for the conversion of the above-mentioned society into a branch of the , and of , secretary of the first-mentioned society, do solemnly and sincerely declare that the said resolution was duly passed by three-fourths of the members present and entitled to vote at a general meeting of the said society, of which notice was duly given, held on the day of , 18 , and that the amendments to the rules of the said society, accompanying this declaration, were duly made at the said meeting.

And we make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of an Act of the General Assembly of New Zealand intituled “The Justices of the Peace Act, 1866.”

Made and subscribed at , in the Colony of New Zealand, this day of , in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and before me [one of Her Majesty’s Justices of the Peace in and for the said colony].

(Signed) , Chairman of the general meeting.
, Secretary of the Society.

Form No. 32.—Reg. 38.

NEW ZEALAND.

“Friendly Societies Act, 1877.”

CONVERSION OF A REGISTERED SOCIETY INTO A BRANCH.

Name of society :
Register No.

THE registry as a separate society of the is hereby

cancelled, and the said society is hereby registered as a branch of the

Date : day of , 18 . (Signature.)

Form No. 33.—Reg. 39.

NEW ZEALAND.

“Friendly Societies Act, 1877.”

INSTRUMENT OF DISSOLUTION.

Name of society :
Register No.

INSTRUMENT of dissolution of the , made the day of 18 , pursuant to “The Friendly Societies Act, 1877,” section 26, and signed by [in the case of a society not a Friendly Society three-fourths of the members; but in the case of a Friendly Society] five-sixths in value of the members, including honorary members, if any, and by every person for the time being receiving or entitled to receive any relief, annuity, or other benefit from the funds of the society [except whose claims have been duly satisfied or have been provided for (State in what manner such provision has been made)].

It is agreed and declared as follows :—

1. The liabilities and assets of the society are the following [Here set them forth in detail].

2. The number of members is , and the nature of their interests in the society respectively is as follows :

3. The society has no creditors other than such members [or if there be any, state the amount due to them and the provision to be made for its payment].

4. The funds and property of the society shall be appropriated and divided in the following manner [or in such manner as the Registrar may award].

[Here insert any other provisions the society desires to make as to the dissolution.]

Table with 2 columns: Signatures of Members, No. of Votes of each Member.

\*Signatures of persons receiving or entitled to receive any relief, annuity, or other benefit from the funds of the society; (Schedule.)

Table with 2 columns: List of Members who have not signed the foregoing Instrument, No. of Votes of each Member.

N.B.—All signatures by mark only must be attested by a witness who does not sign as a member.

\* These consents may be given separately.

Form No. 34.—Reg. 39.

NEW ZEALAND.

“Friendly Societies Act, 1877.”

DECLARATION TO ACCOMPANY INSTRUMENT OF DISSOLUTION.

Name of society :
Register No.

I, of , one of the trustees [or we, and three members and the secretary] of the above-named society, do solemnly and sincerely declare that, in making the

instrument of dissolution [or the alteration of the instrument of dissolution] appended to this declaration, the provisions of "The Friendly Societies Act, 1877," have been complied with.

And I [or we] make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of an Act of the General Assembly of New Zealand intituled "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1866."

Made and subscribed at \_\_\_\_\_, in the Colony of New Zealand, this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and \_\_\_\_\_, before me [one of Her Majesty's Justices of the Peace in and for the said colony].

Form No. 35.—Reg. 40.

NEW ZEALAND.

"Friendly Societies Act, 1877."

#### ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF REGISTRY OF INSTRUMENT OF DISSOLUTION.

Name of society :  
Register No.

THE foregoing instrument of dissolution [or alteration of the instrument of dissolution] of the \_\_\_\_\_ society is registered under "The Friendly Societies Act, 1877," this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 18 \_\_\_\_\_.

(Seal or stamp of Registrar.)

Form No. 36.—Reg. 42.

NEW ZEALAND.

"Friendly Societies Act, 1877."

#### ADVERTISEMENT OF DISSOLUTION BY INSTRUMENT.

NOTICE is hereby given that the \_\_\_\_\_ society, Register No. \_\_\_\_\_, held at \_\_\_\_\_, is dissolved by instrument, registered at this office the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, unless within three months from the date of the *Gazette* in which this advertisement appears, proceedings be commenced by a member or other person interested in or having any claim on the funds of the society to set aside such dissolution, and the same is set aside accordingly.

(Signed) \_\_\_\_\_, Registrar.

Registrar of Friendly Societies' Office,  
day of \_\_\_\_\_, 18 \_\_\_\_\_.

Form No. 37.—Reg. 43.

NEW ZEALAND.

"Friendly Societies Act, 1877."

#### APPLICATION TO REGISTRAR FOR AWARD OF DISSOLUTION.

Name of society :  
Register No.

APPLICATION for an award of dissolution of the above-mentioned society is made by the members whose names are subscribed at the foot hereof.

1. The society consists of \_\_\_\_\_ members, one-fifth of the whole number of whom [or 100 or more of whom if the society has 1,000 members and not exceeding 10,000, or 500 or more of whom if the society has more than 10,000 members] have signed this application.

2. The funds of the society are insufficient to meet the existing claims thereon [or the rates of contribution fixed in the rules of the society are insufficient to cover the benefits assured].

3. The grounds upon which such insufficiency is alleged are as follow [State grounds].

4. The Registrar is hereby requested to make or cause to be made, pursuant to "The Friendly Societies Act, 1877," section 26, an investigation into the affairs of the society, with a view to the dissolution thereof.

5. It is desired that notice of the award of dissolution be published in the [naming some newspaper], circulating in the city, town, or place of [naming place], in which the registered office of the society is situated.

6. The sum of \_\_\_\_\_, being the cost of publishing such notice in the said newspaper, and the further sum of \_\_\_\_\_ for the cost of publishing the same in the *Gazette*, are herewith transmitted.

(Signatures of members.\*)

Registered office :

Date : \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 18 \_\_\_\_\_.

\* Any signature by mark only must be attested by a witness who does not sign as a member.

Form No. 38.—Reg. 44.

NEW ZEALAND.

"Friendly Societies Act, 1877."

#### NOTICE OF INVESTIGATION.

Name of society :  
Register No.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Registrar will proceed, by himself [or by (name of) Actuary, whom the Registrar hereby appoints for the purpose] to investigate the affairs of the above-mentioned society, in compliance with an application in that behalf, made pursuant to section 26 of the above-mentioned Act, on \_\_\_\_\_ the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 18 [two months at least after the date of the notice], at \_\_\_\_\_ o'clock, at \_\_\_\_\_.

(Signed) \_\_\_\_\_, Registrar.

Address :

Date : \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 18 \_\_\_\_\_.

(To be addressed to the society at its registered office.)

Form No. 39.—Reg. 44.

NEW ZEALAND.

"Friendly Societies Act, 1877."

#### AWARD OF DISSOLUTION.

Name of society :  
Register No.

PURSUANT to section 26 of the above-mentioned Act, I hereby award that the \_\_\_\_\_ shall be dissolved, and its affairs wound up as from the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_; and I direct that the assets of the said society shall be divided and appropriated in the following manner :—

(Signed) \_\_\_\_\_, Registrar.

Address :

Date : \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 18 \_\_\_\_\_.

Form No. 40.—Reg. 45.

NEW ZEALAND.

"Friendly Societies Act, 1877."

#### AWARD FOR DISTRIBUTION OF FUNDS.

Name of society :  
Register No.

PURSUANT to section 26 of the above-mentioned Act, and to

the instrument of dissolution of the same, registered on the day of 18, I hereby award and direct that the assets of the society shall be divided and appropriated in the following manner:—

(Signed) \_\_\_\_\_, Registrar.  
 Address : \_\_\_\_\_  
 Date : day of \_\_\_\_\_, 18 .

**Form No. 41.—Reg. 46.**

NEW ZEALAND.

“Friendly Societies Act, 1877.”

**ADVERTISEMENT OF DISSOLUTION BY AWARD.**

NOTICE is hereby given that, on the day of \_\_\_\_\_, the Registrar signed an award for the dissolution of the society, Register No. \_\_\_\_\_, held at \_\_\_\_\_, and that such society is thereby dissolved, unless within three months from the date of the *Gazette* in which this advertisement appears proceedings be commenced by a member or other person interested in or having any claim on the funds of the society to set aside such dissolution, and the same be set aside accordingly.

(Signed) \_\_\_\_\_, Registrar.  
 Registrar of Friendly Societies' Office,  
 day of \_\_\_\_\_, 18 .

**Form No. 42.—Reg. 47.**

NEW ZEALAND.

“Friendly Societies Act, 1877.”

**NOTICE OF PROCEEDING TO SET ASIDE DISSOLUTION OF SOCIETY OR BRANCH.**

Name of society : \_\_\_\_\_  
 Register No. \_\_\_\_\_  
 Name of branch : \_\_\_\_\_  
 Place of branch : \_\_\_\_\_

To the Registrar of Friendly Societies.

WHEREAS on the day of \_\_\_\_\_, the above-named society [or the above-named branch] was dissolved [or purported to be dissolved] by [an instrument of dissolution purporting to be duly registered, or the award of the Registrar].

I hereby give you notice that I intend, after not less than seven days from the date hereof, to take proceedings for setting aside such dissolution, in the Resident Magistrate's Court of the District of \_\_\_\_\_

Dated this day of \_\_\_\_\_, 18 .  
 (Signature.) \_\_\_\_\_  
 (Address.) \_\_\_\_\_

**Form No. 43.—Reg. 47.**

NEW ZEALAND.

“Friendly Societies Act, 1877.”

**NOTICE OF ORDER TO SET ASIDE DISSOLUTION.**

Name of society : \_\_\_\_\_  
 Register No. \_\_\_\_\_  
 Name of branch : \_\_\_\_\_  
 Place of branch : \_\_\_\_\_

To the Registrar of Friendly Societies.

WHEREAS on the day of \_\_\_\_\_, the above-named society [or the above-named branch] was dissolved or purported to be dissolved by [an instrument of dissolution purporting to be duly registered, or the award of the Registrar].

The above-named society [or branch] hereby gives you notice that, by an order of the Resident Magistrate's Court of the District of \_\_\_\_\_, dated the day of \_\_\_\_\_, copy whereof is hereto annexed, the dissolution of the said society [or branch] was set aside.

} Trustees.  
 Secretary.

Registered Office : \_\_\_\_\_  
 Date : day of \_\_\_\_\_, 18 .

(This notice must be sent within seven days after the order to set aside dissolution is made. A copy of the order is to be annexed.)

**Form No. 44.—Regs. 48 and 54.**

NEW ZEALAND.

“Friendly Societies Act, 1877.”

**NOTICE OF ESTABLISHMENT OF BRANCH.\***

Name of society : \_\_\_\_\_  
 Register No. \_\_\_\_\_

To the Registrar of Friendly Societies.

A BRANCH of the above-named society has been established at \_\_\_\_\_, and is to be called \_\_\_\_\_.

2. The branch is [or is not] to have trustees [or officers authorized to sue and be sued on its behalf] other than those of the society [if so, add], and the following are the names of such trustees [or officers].

3. The rules of the branch are [or are not] identical with those of the other branches of the society [if not so, add], and a copy of the rules of the branch is sent herewith.

(Signed) \_\_\_\_\_, Secretary of the society.

Registered office of the society : \_\_\_\_\_  
 Date : day of \_\_\_\_\_, 18 .

\* This form may be adapted, by authority of the Registrar, so as to include any number of branches.

**Form No. 45.—Reg. 52.**

NEW ZEALAND.

“Friendly Societies Act, 1877.”

**DECLARATION IN SUPPORT OF AMENDMENT OF BRANCH RULES.\***

Name of society : \_\_\_\_\_  
 Register No. \_\_\_\_\_  
 Name and No. of branch : \_\_\_\_\_

I, \_\_\_\_\_, of \_\_\_\_\_, an officer of the above-named society, do solemnly and sincerely declare that the amendment of the rules of the said branch, the application for registry of which is appended to this declaration, has been duly made in conformity with the rules of the society and branch in that behalf, and that to the best of my knowledge and belief the same is not contrary to the provisions of the above-mentioned Act.

And I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of an Act of the General Assembly of New Zealand intituled “The Justices of the Peace Act, 1866.”

Made and subscribed at \_\_\_\_\_, in the Colony of New Zealand, this day of \_\_\_\_\_, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and \_\_\_\_\_, before me [one of Her Majesty's Justices of the Peace in and for the said colony].

\* This form may be adapted, by authority of the Registrar, so as to include any number of branches.

Form No. 46.—Reg. 52.

NEW ZEALAND.

“Friendly Societies Act, 1877.”

**DECLARATION IN SUPPORT OF AMENDMENT OF BRANCH RULES.\***

Name of society :  
Register No.  
Name and No. of branch :

I, \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_, secretary of the above-named branch, do solemnly and sincerely declare that the amendment of the rules of the said branch, the application for registry of which is appended to this declaration, has been duly made in conformity with the rules of the society and branch in that behalf, and that to the best of my knowledge and belief the same is not contrary to the provisions of the above-mentioned Act.

And I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of an Act of the General Assembly of New Zealand intituled “The Justices of the Peace Act, 1866.”

Made and subscribed at \_\_\_\_\_, in the Colony of New Zealand, this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and \_\_\_\_\_ before me [one of Her Majesty’s Justices of the Peace in and for the said colony].

\* This form may be adapted, by authority of the Registrar, so as to include any number of branches.

Form No. 47.—Reg. 53.

NEW ZEALAND.

“Friendly Societies Act, 1877.”

**NOTICE OF CHANGE OF PLACE OF BRANCH.\***

Name of society :  
Register No.  
Name and No. of branch :

NOTICE is hereby given that the place where the above-mentioned branch is established is removed from \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_

Dated this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 18\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, An officer of the society.  
(Signed) \_\_\_\_\_, Secretary of branch.

To the Registrar of Friendly Societies.

† Received this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 18\_\_\_\_, notice of the change of place of the \_\_\_\_\_ branch of the \_\_\_\_\_ society, Register No. \_\_\_\_\_, to \_\_\_\_\_ (Seal of Registrar.)

\* This form may be adapted, by authority of the Registrar, so as to include any number of branches.  
† This part to be detached by the Registrar when the notice is registered, and returned to the society’s officer.

Form No. 48.—Reg. 53.

NEW ZEALAND.

“Friendly Societies Act, 1877.”

**NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT OF NEW TRUSTEE [OR OFFICER TO SUE OR BE SUED] OF BRANCH.\***

Name of society :  
Register No.  
Name, place, and No. of branch :

NOTICE is hereby given that \_\_\_\_\_, of \_\_\_\_\_, of \_\_\_\_\_,

\* This form may be adapted, by authority of the Registrar, so as to include any number of branches.  
† This part to be detached by the Registrar when the notice is registered, and returned to the society’s officer.

\_\_\_\_\_, and \_\_\_\_\_, of \_\_\_\_\_, was [or were], on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 18\_\_\_\_, duly appointed [Give full names, addresses, and descriptions] a trustee [or trustees] [or an officer or officers to sue and be sued on behalf] of the above-mentioned branch, in the place of \_\_\_\_\_, deceased [or resigned or removed].

An officer of the society.

} Trustees.

† RECEIVED this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 18\_\_\_\_, notice of the appointment of \_\_\_\_\_ as trustees [or officers to sue and be sued] of the \_\_\_\_\_ branch of the \_\_\_\_\_ society. (Seal of Registrar.)

Form No. 49.—Reg. 63.

NEW ZEALAND.

“Friendly Societies Act, 1877.”

**ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF REGISTRY OF A SOCIETY UNDER A LIMITED SPECIAL AUTHORITY.**

THE \_\_\_\_\_ society is registered as a specially authorized society under “The Friendly Societies Act, 1877,” subject to the limitations expressed in the foregoing rules, this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_

(Seal of Registrar.)

Form No. 50.—Reg. 68.

NEW ZEALAND.

“Friendly Societies Act, 1877.”

**ADVERTISEMENT OF APPLICATION FOR DISPENSING WITH CONSENTS OR CONDITIONS FOR AMALGAMATION OR TRANSFER OF ENGAGEMENTS.**

NOTICE is hereby given that the \_\_\_\_\_ society, Register No. \_\_\_\_\_, whose registered office is at \_\_\_\_\_, desires to amalgamate with [or transfer all its engagements to] the \_\_\_\_\_ society, Register No. \_\_\_\_\_, or the \_\_\_\_\_, a company under “The Joint Stock Companies Act, 1860;” and that on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, the trustees [or committee of management] of the first-named society intend to apply to the Registrar that the following consents and conditions prescribed by “The Friendly Societies Act, 1877,” for an amalgamation or transfer of engagements may be dispensed with—viz. [State what consents and conditions].

} Trustees [or Members of the  
} Committee of Management.]

Form No. 51.—Reg. 69.

NEW ZEALAND.

“Friendly Societies Act, 1877.”

**APPLICATION FOR DISPENSING WITH CONSENTS OR CONDITIONS FOR AMALGAMATION OR TRANSFER OF ENGAGEMENTS.**

Name of society :  
Register No.

APPLICATION is made by the trustees [or committee of management] of the above-named society, for the purpose hereinafter mentioned.

1. The above-named society desires to amalgamate with [or transfer all its engagements to] the society, Register No. , [or the company, a company under "The Joint Stock Companies Act, 1860"].

2. The trustees [or committee of management] of the first-named society hereby apply to the Registrar that the following consents and conditions prescribed by the Friendly Societies Act for an amalgamation or transfer of engagements may be dispensed with—viz. [State what consents and conditions].

3. Notice of the intention to make the present application was advertised in the *Gazette*, on the day of , being one calendar month previous to the date of this application, and a copy of the *Gazette* in which such notice appears is sent herewith.

} Trustees [or Members of the  
} Committee of Management.]

#### SCHEDULE V.

#### INSTRUCTIONS TO REGISTRARS OF BIRTHS AND DEATHS AS TO THEIR DUTIES UNDER "THE FRIENDLY SOCIETIES ACT, 1877."

By "The Friendly Societies Act, 1877," it has been enacted that Registrars of Births and Deaths shall, for a sum not exceeding 1s., grant any certificate of a birth or death that may be required for the purposes of the Act, on application being made for the same in such form and under such regulations as shall be approved by the Registrar-General of Births, Deaths, and Marriages. (Section 14, subsection 10.) No further sum whatever, even for a search, can therefore be charged for any such certificate; but if application is made at one time for more certificates than one of the same birth or death for the purposes of and in the manner prescribed by the Act, the sum charged for every such certificate, other than the first, shall not exceed 6d.; and whenever the Registrar is required by the person applying for any certificate of birth or death to fill up the form of application, he may demand a sum not exceeding 3d. for so doing.

Medical practitioners in attendance on deceased persons are required to furnish certificates showing the cause of death, and Registrars are required by their regulations (No. 51, page 10), if the medical certificate be not forthcoming, to make inquiry as to the name of the medical attendant, if any, and the cause of the non-delivery of the certificate, and to warn the medical attendant against a breach of "The Registration of Births and Deaths Act, 1875," in neglecting to furnish the certificate.

When about to register the death of a child *under ten years of age*, whose parents belong to the labouring classes, the Registrar should inquire whether any sum of money is payable on such death by any Society or Industrial Assurance Company; and in every case in which any such child was, during its last illness, attended by a registered medical practitioner, and no inquest held, the Registrar should require the informant to produce a certificate of the cause of death signed by such practitioner; and if such practitioner refuses or neglects to give such certificate, he should at once be proceeded against under section 36 of "The Registration of Births and Deaths Act, 1875."

#### FORMS.

The Registrar-General has caused forms of the four following descriptions to be prepared:—

1. Form of application for a certificate of the death of a person aged ten years or upwards.
2. Form of application for a certificate of the death of a child between five and ten years of age.
3. Form of application for a certificate of the death of a child under five years of age.
4. Form of application for a certificate of birth.

On every such form the following regulations are printed, and the approval of the Registrar-General is signified:—

*Regulations under which Applications for Certificates of Birth (or Death) for the Purposes of "The Friendly Societies Act, 1877," must be made.*

"The application must be made on a form similar to this, and must be signed by the applicant; and the fee of 1s. must be paid at the time the application is made.

"The application may be made on any day except Sunday, Good Friday, Christmas Day, or other duly-recognized public holiday.

"If the application is made otherwise than personally, it must, with the fee of 1s., be conveyed to the Registrar free of all cost to him; and an envelope or cover of the proper size must also be sent, fully addressed to the person to whom this document is to be returned. If it is to be returned by post, the necessary postage stamps must be affixed to such envelope or cover."

Application for the above forms should be made when required to the Registrar-General, or to the Registrar of Births and Deaths, from whom the certificate is to be obtained.

#### APPLICATIONS FOR CERTIFICATES.

Every application for a certificate of birth or death, for the purposes of the above-mentioned Act, must be made on one of the above forms appropriate to the circumstances of the case. Whenever application is made for a certificate of the death of a child between five and ten years of age, or for a certificate of the death of a child under five years of age, the applicant must state on the form the name of the Society or Industrial Assurance Company from which a sum of money is sought to be obtained, and the sum to be obtained. (Section 29, subsection 3.) And such sum must not, together with the moneys mentioned in any previous certificate or certificates of the same death, exceed £10 in the case of a child *between five and ten years of age*, and must not exceed £6 in the case of a child



*under five years of age.* (Section 29, subsection 4.) If the applicant is unable to write, or can only do so imperfectly, the Registrar *may* fill up the form of application.

Every application must be dated, and the applicant must affix his or her signature or mark thereto.

#### CERTIFICATE ON FORM NO. 1.

On receiving an application (on Form No. 1) for a certificate of the death of a person aged ten years or upwards (*insured with a registered Friendly Society*), the Registrar should *at once* comply therewith, by writing in the schedule on the back thereof a correct copy of the entry made in the register book.\*

#### CERTIFICATES ON FORMS 2 AND 3.

On receiving an application (on Form No. 2) for a certificate of the death of a child between five and ten years of age, or an application (on Form No. 3) for a certificate of the death of a child under five years of age (required for the purpose of obtaining money from *any Society whatever, or from an Industrial Assurance Company*), the Registrar or other person having the custody of the register book must, before granting such certificate, see whether the cause of death was recorded in the register book on the authority of the certificate of a registered medical practitioner who attended such deceased child during its last illness, or whether the death was registered by a Coroner after inquest held. In either of such cases he should *at once* grant the required certificate.

If, however, no such medical certificate of the cause of death was produced at the time of registration, and no inquest was held respecting such death, but the cause of death was recorded solely on the authority of information given by the informant, the Registrar must, before issuing a certificate of the death, require the production of a certificate of the *probable* cause of death signed by a registered medical practitioner. If the applicant is unable to obtain such a certificate, he or she must be required to produce *other satisfactory evidence* of the *probable* cause of death. (Section 29, subsection 4.)

The Registrar-General desires that in every case in which the issue of a certificate of the death of a child depends upon the production of "satisfactory evidence" of the *probable* cause of such death, the Registrar will exercise the utmost caution in determining whether the evidence produced is really "satisfactory." A statutory declaration of the *probable* cause of death by a person who is not a parent of the child, and is not interested in any moneys to be received at its death, may be accepted as satisfactory evidence; but where a statutory declaration is not produced, the Registrar may accept the next best evidence he can obtain, such as the statement of an unregistered medical attendant, or of a person who was in attendance on the deceased child during its last illness, but is not a parent of the child, and is not interested in the money to be received.

If, in endeavouring to obtain such satisfactory evidence, it should appear that the death has been caused by violence, or has been attended by suspicious circumstances, the Registrar must take such means as may be necessary, either through the police or otherwise, to bring the case under the notice of the Coroner, whatever may have been inserted in the entry as the cause of death. If in any such case it is determined that an inquest is unnecessary, the opinion of the Coroner, or the result of an inquiry by the police, may be accepted as "satisfactory evidence."

On receipt of the certificate of a registered medical practitioner, or of satisfactory evidence of the *probable* cause of death, the Registrar may write in the schedule, on the back of the form of application, a correct copy of the entry made in the register book.

He should then draw a line through the words or statements in the paragraph marked (a.), immediately following the schedule, which do not apply to the case, so that it may plainly appear under which of the four above-mentioned conditions the certificate of the death is granted.

If it be a case in which "satisfactory evidence" of the *probable* cause of death has been produced, he must state in the blank space marked (b.) the precise nature of such evidence—thus: Statutory declaration by [*naming person making the same, or statement of* \_\_\_\_\_, medical attendant, or opinion of Coroner, or inquiry by the police, or as the case may be].

In the blank space marked (c) he must insert the probable cause of death, if such has been ascertained by a medical certificate or by satisfactory evidence.

In the blank space marked (d) he must state whether the certificate is the "first," "second," "third," "fourth," &c. certificate of the same death which he has issued. (Section 29, subsection 3.)

In the blank space marked (e) he must state the name of the Friendly Society or Industrial Assurance Company from which a sum of money is sought to be obtained. (Section 29, subsection 3.)

In the blank space marked (f) he must state the sum of money sought to be obtained (section 29, subsection 3), which sum, together with the moneys mentioned in any previous certificate or certificates of the same death, must not, in the case of a child between five and ten years of age, exceed £10; and, in the case of a child under five years of age, must not exceed £6. (Section 29, subsection 4.)

#### CERTIFICATE ON FORM NO. 4.

On receiving an application (on Form No. 4) for a certificate of the birth of a person (to be insured with a registered Friendly Society), the Registrar should *at once* comply therewith, by writing in the schedule on the back thereof a correct copy of the entry made in the register book.

#### MISCELLANEOUS.

The Registrar issuing the certificate must insert therein the date on which it is issued, and must affix his signature thereto.

\* N.B.—If a certificate of the death of a person aged ten years or upwards, or a certificate of the birth of any person, insured or to be insured in an unregistered Friendly Society, or in any Benevolent Society (registered or not), or in an Industrial Assurance Company, is required, such certificate should be given on an ordinary form, and the ordinary fee of 2s. 6d., or if under seal, 5s., must be charged.

Registrars will observe that whereas by the provisions of section 13, subsection 2, the Society may receive satisfactory proof of death instead of a Registrar's certificate, *such deceased person being ten years of age or over*, prior to the payment of any sum of money; yet by section 29, subsection 2, it is enacted that "no Society or registered branch shall pay any sum on the death of a child except . . . upon the production . . . of a certificate of death issued by the Registrar of Births and Deaths;" and by section 29, subsection 6, it is enacted that it shall be an offence—“(a.) If any Society or registered branch pays money on the death of a child under ten years of age otherwise than is provided by this Act. (b.) If any parent, or personal representative of a parent, claiming money on the death of a child, produces any certificate of such death other than is herein provided to the Society or registered branch or Societies, or registered branches from which the money is claimed, or one fraudulently obtained, or in any way attempts to defeat the provisions of this Act in respect to payments upon the death of children.”

No money can therefore be paid by any registered Society nor by any Industrial Assurance Company on the death of a child under ten years of age, except on the production of a certificate issued by a Registrar of Births and Deaths.

Registrar-General's Office, Wellington, New Zealand,  
13th March, 1878.

WM. R. E. BROWN,  
Registrar-General.

NOTE.—Registrars should bear in mind that they must not, under any circumstances whatever, issue any one or more certificates of the death of a child under ten years of age for the payment, in the whole, of a sum of money exceeding the statutory limit, £6 or £10, as the case may be.

If any Registrar has reason to believe that any Society or Industrial Assurance Company has offended against the provisions of section 29, he should report the case to the Registrar-General.

FORM No. 1.

CERTIFICATE of the DEATH of a PERSON aged Ten Years or upwards, issued for the purposes of "The Friendly Societies Act, 1877." Registration District of \_\_\_\_\_, in the Colony of New Zealand.

| No. | DESCRIPTION OF DECEASED. |   | CAUSE OF DEATH.  |  | PARENTS.   |   | IF BURIAL REGISTERED.   |   | WHERE BORN.  |  | IF DECEASED WAS MARRIED. |  | INFORMANT. |  | REGISTRAR. |  |
|-----|--------------------------|---|--|--|--|---|---|---|--|--|--------------------------|--|------------|--|------------|--|
|     | When and where Died.     | 1. Name and Surname.<br>2. Rank, Profession, or Occupation.<br>Sex and Age. | 1. Cause of Death.<br>2. Duration of last illness.<br>3. Medical Attendant by whom certified.<br>4. When he last saw deceased. | 1. Name and Surname of Father.<br>2. Name and (if known) Maiden Surname of Mother.<br>3. Rank or Profession of Father. | When and where Buried.<br>Name and Religion of Minister, or Name of Witness of Burial. | 1. Where Born.<br>2. How long in New Zealand. | 1. Where Married.<br>2. At what Age Married.<br>3. To whom Married.<br>If issue living, state Number and Sex. | 1. Signature of the Informant.<br>2. His or her Description.<br>3. Residence.<br>4. If entry a correction of a former entry, Signature of Witnesses attending the same. | 1. Signature of the Registrar.<br>2. Date of Registration. |  |                          |  |            |  |            |  |
|     |                          |   |  |  |  |   |   |   |  |  |                          |  |            |  |            |  |

Given under my hand this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 18\_\_\_\_ (Signed) \_\_\_\_\_, Registrar.

Attention is directed to the following requirements of the Act:—

By section 13, subsection 2, it is enacted that no Society or registered branch shall pay any sum of money upon the death of a member or other person whose death is or ought to be entered in any register of deaths, except upon the production of a certificate of such death, under the hand of the Registrar of Births and Deaths, or other person having the care of the register in which such death is ought to be entered, or under the hand of a duly-qualified medical practitioner, or other satisfactory or proof of such death: Provided always that the foregoing provision shall not apply to deaths at sea.

FORM No. 1.

(To be printed on back of preceding Form.)

FORM of APPLICATION for a CERTIFICATE of the DEATH of a PERSON aged Ten Years or upwards, for the purposes of "The Friendly Societies Act, 1877."

To the Registrar of Births and Deaths having the custody of the register in which the death of the under-mentioned person is registered.

I, THE UNDERSIGNED, hereby demand, for the purposes of the above-mentioned Act, a certificate of the death of the person named in the subjoined schedule, such certificate to be written in the form on the back of this application.

| Name and Surname of the Deceased. | Age. | When Died. | Where Died. |
|-----------------------------------|------|------------|-------------|
|                                   |      |            |             |

Dated this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 18\_\_\_\_ (Signature.)

REGULATIONS under which Applications for Certificates of Death, for the purposes of "The Friendly Societies Act, 1877," must be made.

THE application must be made on a form similar to this, and must be signed by the applicant; and the fee of 1s., if for one certificate only, must be paid at the time the application is made. If the application is for more than one certificate, the fee of 6d. must be paid for every certificate in excess of one.

The application may be made on any day except Sunday, Good Friday, Christmas Day, or other duly-recognized public holiday.

If the application is made otherwise than personally, it must, with the fee of 1s., be conveyed to the Registrar free of all cost to him; and an envelope or cover of the proper size must also be sent, fully addressed to the person to whom this document is to be returned. If it is to be returned by post, the necessary postage stamps must be affixed to such envelope or cover.

Approved.

WM. R. E. BROWN,  
Registrar-General.

FORM No. 2.

CERTIFICATE of the DEATH of a CHILD between Five and Ten Years of Age, issued for the purposes of "The Friendly Societies Act, 1877."

Registration District of \_\_\_\_\_, in the Colony of New Zealand.

| No. | DESCRIPTION OF DECEASED. |                      |              | CAUSE OF DEATH.  | PARENTS.   | IF BURIAL REGISTERED.  |  | WHERE BORN.                                   | INFORMANT.   | REGISTRAR.   |
|-----|--------------------------|----------------------|--------------|--|--|------------------------|--|---|--|--|
|     | When and where Died.     | 1. Name and Surname. | Sex and Age. |  |  | When and where Buried. | Name and Religion of Minister, or Name of Witness of Burial. |   |  |  |
|     |                          |                      |              | 1. Cause of Death.<br>2. Duration of last Illness.<br>3. Medical Attendant by whom certified.<br>4. When he last saw deceased. | 1. Name and Surname of Father.<br>2. Name and (if known) Maiden Surname of Mother.<br>3. Rank or Profession of Father. |                        |  | 1. Where Born.<br>2. How long in New Zealand. | 1. Signature of the Informant.<br>2. His or her Description.<br>3. Residence.<br>4. If entry a correction of a former entry, Signatures of Witnesses attesting the same. | 1. Signature of the Registrar.<br>2. Date of Registration. |

(a.) The cause of death of the above-mentioned child having been entered in the register of deaths on the certificate of a Coroner after inquest held [or of a registered medical practitioner who attended such deceased child during its last illness; or a certificate under the hand of a registered medical practitioner; or satisfactory evidence—namely, (b) \_\_\_\_\_ having, since the registration of the death, been produced, that the probable cause of death of the above-mentioned child was (c) \_\_\_\_\_]:

I grant this (d) \_\_\_\_\_ certificate to be produced to the (e) \_\_\_\_\_, said to be liable for the payment of the sum of (f) £ \_\_\_\_\_ on the death of the said child.

Given under my hand this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 18 \_\_\_\_\_. (Signed) \_\_\_\_\_, Registrar.

(a.) The Registrar will draw a line through the words or statements which do not apply to the case. (b.) State here the nature of the evidence produced. (c.) Insert here the probable cause of death as stated in such certificate, or as ascertained by such evidence. (d.) State here whether this is the first, second, third, fourth, &c., similar certificate of this death which has been issued. (e.) Insert here the name of the Society or Industrial Assurance Company. (f.) Insert here the sum for which the Society or Company is said to be liable, which cannot, together with the moneys mentioned in any previous certificate or certificates of the same death, exceed £10.

FORM No. 2.

(To be printed on back of preceding Form.)

FORM of APPLICATION for a CERTIFICATE of the DEATH of a CHILD between Five and Ten Years of Age, for the purposes of "The Friendly Societies Act, 1877."

To the Registrar of Births and Deaths having the custody of the Register in which the death of the under-mentioned person is registered.

I, THE UNDERSIGNED, hereby demand, for the purposes of the above-mentioned Act, a certificate of the death of the person named in the subjoined schedule, such certificate to be written in the form on the back of this application.

| Name and Surname of the Deceased. | Age. | When Died. | Where Died. |
|-----------------------------------|------|------------|-------------|
|                                   |      |            |             |

N.B.—The applicant must insert in the blank spaces in the following paragraph the name of the Society or Industrial Insurance Company from which a sum of money is sought to be obtained, and the sum sought to be obtained from such Society or Company, which cannot exceed £10.

I apply for the certificate for the purpose of obtaining from the (a) Society or Company the sum of  
 Dated this            day of            , 18 .

(Signature.)

REGULATIONS under which Applications for Certificates of Death for the purposes of "The Friendly Societies Act, 1877," must be made.

THE application must be made on a form similar to this, and must be signed by the applicant; and the fee of 1s., if for one certificate only, must be paid at the time the application is made. If the application is for more than one certificate, the fee of 6d. must be paid for every certificate in excess of one.

The application may be made on any day except Sunday, Good Friday, Christmas Day, or other duly-recognized public holiday.

If the application is made otherwise than personally, it must, with the fee of 1s., be conveyed to the Registrar free of all cost to him; and an envelope or cover of the proper size must also be sent, fully addressed, to the person to whom this document is to be returned. If it is to be returned by post, the necessary postage stamps must be affixed to such envelope or cover.

Approved.

WM. R. E. BROWN,  
 Registrar-General.

(a.) If the money is sought to be obtained from an Industrial Assurance Company, draw a line through the words "Society or." If it is sought to be obtained from a Friendly Society, draw a line through the words "or Company."

FORM No. 3.

CERTIFICATE of the DEATH of a CHILD under Five Years of Age, issued for the purposes of "The Friendly Societies Act, 1877.

Registration District of            , in the Colony of New Zealand.

| No. | DESCRIPTION OF DECEASED. |                      |              | CAUSE OF DEATH.  | PARENTS.   |                        |  | IF BURIAL REGISTERED.                         |  | WHERE BORN.  |  | INFORMANT. |  |  |  | REGISTRAR. |  |
|-----|--------------------------|----------------------|--------------|--|--|------------------------|--|---|--|--|--|------------|--|--|--|------------|--|
|     | When and where Died.     | 1. Name and Surname. | Sex and Age. | 1. Cause of Death.<br>2. Duration of last Illness.<br>3. Medical Attendant by whom certified.<br>4. When he last saw deceased. | 1. Name and Surname of Father.<br>2. Name and (if known) Maiden Surname of Mother.<br>3. Rank or Profession of Father. | When and where Buried. | Name and Religion of Minister, or Name of Witness of Burial. | 1. Where Born.<br>2. How long in New Zealand. | 1. Signature of the Informant.<br>2. His or her Description.<br>3. Residence.<br>4. If entry a correction of a former entry, Signatures of Witnesses attesting the same. | 1. Signature of the Registrar.<br>2. Date of Registration. |  |            |  |  |  |            |  |
|     |                          |                      |              |  |  |                        |  |   |  |  |  |            |  |  |  |            |  |

(a.) The cause of death of the above-mentioned child having been entered in the register of deaths on the certificate of a Coroner after inquest held [or a registered medical practitioner who attended such deceased child during its last illness; or a certificate under the hand of a registered medical practitioner; or satisfactory evidence—namely, (b)            having, since the registration of the death, been produced, that the probable cause of death of the above-mentioned child was (c)            ]:

I grant this (d)            certificate to be produced to the (e)            , said to be liable for the payment of the sum of (f) £            on the death of the said child.

Given under my hand this            day of            , 18 .

(Signed)            , Registrar.

(a.) The Registrar will draw a line through the words or statements which do not apply to the case. (b.) State here the nature of the evidence produced. (c.) Insert here the probable cause of death as stated in such certificate, or as ascertained by such evidence. (d.) State here whether this is the first, second, third, fourth, &c., similar certificate of this death which has been issued. (e.) Insert here the name of the Society or Industrial Assurance Company. (f.) Insert here the sum for which the Society or Company is said to be liable, which cannot, together with the money mentioned in any previous certificate or certificates of the same death, exceed £6.

FORM No. 3.

(To be printed on back of preceding Form.)

FORM of APPLICATION for a CERTIFICATE of the DEATH of a CHILD under Five Years of Age, for the purposes of "The Friendly Societies Act, 1877."

To the Registrar of Births and Deaths having the custody of the Register in which the death of the under-mentioned person is registered.

I, THE UNDERSIGNED, hereby demand, for the purposes of the above-mentioned Act, a certificate of the

death of the person named in the subjoined schedule; such certificate to be written in the form on the back of this application.

| Name and Surname of the Deceased. | Age. | When Died. | Where Died. |
|-----------------------------------|------|------------|-------------|
|                                   |      |            |             |

N.B.—The applicant must insert in the blank spaces in the following paragraph the name of the Society or Industrial Assurance Company from which a sum of money is sought to be obtained, and the sum sought to be obtained from such Society or Company, which cannot exceed £6.

I apply for the certificate for the purpose of obtaining from the (a) Society or Company the sum of

Dated this            day of            , 18 .

(Signature.)

REGULATIONS under which Applications for Certificates of Death for the purposes of "The Friendly Societies Act, 1877," must be made.

THE application must be made on a form similar to this, and must be signed by the applicant; and the fee of 1s., if for one certificate only, must be paid at the time the application is made. If the application is for more than one certificate, the fee of 6d. must be paid for every certificate in excess of one.

The application may be made on any day except Sunday, Good Friday, Christmas Day, or other duly-recognized public holiday.

If the application is made otherwise than personally, it must, with the fee of 1s., be conveyed to the Registrar free of all cost to him; and an envelope or cover of the proper size must also be sent, fully addressed to the person to whom this document is to be returned. If it is to be returned by post, the necessary postage stamps must be affixed to such envelope or cover.

Approved.

WM. R. E. BROWN,  
Registrar-General.

(a.) If the money is sought to be obtained from an Industrial Assurance Company, draw a line through the words "Society or." If it is sought to be obtained from a Friendly Society, draw a line through the words "or Company."

FORM No. 4.

CERTIFICATE of BIRTH, issued for the purposes of "The Friendly Societies Act, 1877."  
Registration District of            , in the Colony of New Zealand.

| No. | CHILD.               |  |      | PARENTS.  |                         |  | INFORMANT.   | REGISTRAR.  | CHILD.   |
|-----|----------------------|--|------|---|-------------------------|--|--|---|--|
|     | When and where Born. | Name of Child, and whether present or not. | Sex. | FATHER.   | When and where Married. | MOTHER.  |  |   |  |
|     |                      |  |      | 1. Name and Surname.<br>2. Rank or Profession.<br>3. Age.<br>4. Birthplace. |                         | 1. Name and Maiden Surname.<br>2. Age.<br>3. Birthplace. | 1. Signature.<br>2. Description.<br>3. Residence.<br>4. If entry a correction of a former entry, Signatures of Witnesses attesting the same. | 1. When registered.<br>2. Signature of Registrar. | Name, if added or altered after Registration of Birth. |

Given under my hand this            day of            , 18 .

(Signed)            , Registrar.

FORM No. 4.

(To be printed on back of preceding Form.)

FORM of APPLICATION for a CERTIFICATE of BIRTH, for the purposes of "The Friendly Societies Act, 1877."

To the Registrar of Births and Deaths having the custody of the Register in which the birth of the under-mentioned person is registered.

I, THE UNDERSIGNED, hereby demand, for the purposes of the above-mentioned Act, a certificate of the birth of the person named in the subjoined Schedule, such certificate to be written in the form on the back of this application.

| Name and Surname of the Person a Certificate of whose Birth is required. | NAMES OF THE PARENTS OF SUCH PERSON. |         | Where such Person was Born. | In what Year such Person was Born. |
|--|--------------------------------------|---------|-----------------------------|------------------------------------|
|  | Father.                              | Mother. |                             |                                    |
|  |                                      |         |                             |                                    |

Dated this          day of          , 18 .

(Signature.)

**REGULATIONS** under which Applications for Certificates of Birth for the purposes of "The Friendly Societies Act, 1877," must be made.

THE application must be made on a form similar to this, and must be signed by the applicant; and the fee of 1s., if for one certificate only, must be paid at the time the application is made. If the application is for more than one certificate, the fee of 6d. must be paid for every certificate in excess of one.

The application may be made on any day except Sunday, Good Friday, Christmas Day, or other duly-recognized public holiday.

If the application is made otherwise than personally, it must, with the fee of 1s., be conveyed to the Registrar free of all cost to him; and an envelope or cover of the proper size must also be sent, fully addressed to the person to whom this document is to be returned. If it is to be returned by post, the necessary postage stamps must be affixed to such envelope or cover.

Approved.

WM. R. E. BROWN,  
Registrar-General.

By section 14, subsection 10 of the above-mentioned Act, it is enacted that, "For the purpose of this Act a certificate of the birth or death of any member or person insured or to be insured with a *registered Friendly Society* or registered branch shall be given under his hand by the Registrar of Births and Deaths, or other person having the care of the register of births and deaths in which such birth or death is entered, for a sum not exceeding 1s., in place of all fees or payments in respect of the same, on application being made for the same, in such form and under such regulations as shall be approved by the Registrar-General of Births Deaths and Marriages."

N.B.—If a certificate of the birth of a person insured or to be insured in an *unregistered Friendly Society*, in any *Benevolent Society* (registered or not), or in an *Industrial Assurance Company*, is required, such certificate must be given on the ordinary form, and the fee payable will be that provided by "The Registration of Births and Deaths Act, 1875"—2s. 6d. if not under seal, 5s. if under seal.

**SCHEDULE VI.**

**INSTRUCTIONS TO VALUERS APPOINTED UNDER "THE FRIENDLY SOCIETIES ACT, 1877."**

1. The Valuer may require that the particulars for valuation shall be supplied to him in such form as he may think fit, together with a copy of the rules for the time being of the society, and copies of the annual returns, and also of the annual statements of account of the society where these are not identical with the annual returns, for at least the five years next preceding the date up to which the valuation is to be made.

2. The Valuer may ask for such further information as to the affairs of the society as he may deem necessary for the purpose of his valuation.

3. In no valuation of a society's future sickness liabilities shall the total sickness per annum at each age up to age seventy expected to be experienced be less than that given by "Ratcliffe's Sickness Experience for the Years 1866-70 of the Manchester Unity of Odd Fellows, Rural, Town, and City Districts combined."

4. In the case of societies granting sick allowance beyond the age of seventy, the Valuer shall call attention in his report to the principles on which he has valued this portion of the sickness liabilities with special reference to the probable effect of cases of prolonged sickness on the funds of the society.

5. In no valuation of a society's future sickness liabilities shall a higher rate of mortality at any age be employed than that given by "Ratcliffe's Mortality Experience for the Years 1866-70 of the Manchester Unity of Odd Fellows, Rural, Town, and City Districts combined."

6. In the case of societies having members engaged in occupations more than usually hazardous or injurious to health, or having members residing in localities known to be unhealthy, the Valuer shall in his valuation make such allowance or allowances as regards conditions 5 and 6 as he may deem expedient, and shall call especial attention thereto in his report on the valuation.

7. The Valuer may, in estimating the value of a society's liabilities under its assured benefits, use such a rate or rates of interest as he may consider expedient; but when such rate or rates shall exceed 4 per cent., he shall, in his report on the valuation, state fully the grounds on which a higher rate of interest is made use of.

8. No allowance is to be made for possible future profits arising from secessions, unless the number of contributing members in the society and the nature of the society's business be such as fully to justify an allowance being made; and the Valuer shall in all such cases state in his report what allowance has been made, and the grounds on which it is made.

9. The method of valuation must in no case have the effect of treating any of the society's assurance contracts as assets; in other words, the liability of the society under its assurance contracts must in no case be treated as having a negative value.

10. The valuation report must in all cases state distinctly what provision is made for future expenses of management, and for all other future expenses (such as those connected with medical attendance) the present value of which does not admit of actuarial computation; and the Valuer shall state whether, in his opinion, judging from the experience of the society, such provision is adequate.

11. In making his report on the valuation, the Valuer shall in all cases specially call attention to the assumptions on which the valuation is based, particular care being exercised in this respect where the number of members is small.

12. Valuers are requested to make themselves acquainted with the provisions of "The Friendly Societies Act, 1877," and with the regulations made by the Governor, which affect the exercise of their functions. Their attention is particularly directed to section 13 (1f) of the Act, and to regulations 55, 65.

#### ADDITIONAL INSTRUCTIONS TO PUBLIC VALUERS APPOINTED BY THE GOVERNOR.

1. A Public Valuer is bound to undertake by himself, or through some other Public Valuer, every valuation under the Act tendered to him by a registered society or branch.

2. A Public Valuer shall make his valuation, and furnish to the Registrar the report and abstract of valuation required by section 13 (1f) of "The Friendly Societies Act, 1877," within three calendar months after the necessary particulars have been supplied to him, unless there be just and sufficient reasons for any delay.

3. If, in consequence of the large number of valuations under the Act which are submitted to him, a Public Valuer is unable to complete any such valuation within the time above specified, he may transfer such valuation to another Public Valuer upon the same terms and conditions.

4. It has been determined by the Governor that for the present, and until he shall otherwise order, the scale of payment to Public Valuers shall be not higher than the following:—

|   |     |     |     |     | £  | s. | d. |
|---|-----|-----|-----|-----|----|----|----|
| If the number of members does not exceed 75 | ... | ... | ... | ... | 4  | 0  | 0  |
| If over 75, but not exceeding 100           | ... | ... | ... | ... | 5  | 0  | 0  |
| " 100, " 150                                | ... | ... | ... | ... | 7  | 0  | 0  |
| " 150, " 200                                | ... | ... | ... | ... | 9  | 0  | 0  |
| " 200, " 250                                | ... | ... | ... | ... | 11 | 0  | 0  |
| " 250, " 300                                | ... | ... | ... | ... | 12 | 12 | 0  |
| " 300, " 400                                | ... | ... | ... | ... | 15 | 15 | 0  |
| " 400, " 500                                | ... | ... | ... | ... | 18 | 18 | 0  |
| " 500, " 600                                | ... | ... | ... | ... | 21 | 0  | 0  |
| " 600, " 750                                | ... | ... | ... | ... | 24 | 3  | 0  |
| " 750, " 1,000                              | ... | ... | ... | ... | 29 | 8  | 0  |

—with an additional £5 5s. for every 250 members, or portion thereof, beyond 1,000. Where the number of members exceeds 2,500, the fee shall be a matter of special arrangement.

Public Valuers may accept valuations on terms lower than those of the above scale.

5. The appointment of a Public Valuer will terminate on the 30th June ensuing upon the date of such appointment, the reappointment at that time of any person to be a Public Valuer being entirely at the discretion of the Governor.

WM. R. E. BROWN,  
Registrar of Friendly Societies.

## SCHEDULE VII.

## I.—APPLICATIONS FOR THE REGISTRY OF SOCIETIES.

| Name of Society.  | Date of First Application. | How finally dealt with.                               |
|---|----------------------------|---|
| 1. Loyal Excelsior Lodge, I. O. O. F., M. U., New Plymouth                      | 2 Jan., 1878               | Society requested to make application in proper form. |
| 2. New Zealand District, Independent Order of Rechabites                        | 17 Jan., 1878              | Ditto.  |
| 3. Amalgamated Society of Carpenters and Joiners, New Zealand District          | 31 Jan., 1878              | Society requested to send rules.                      |
| 4. Otago - Canterbury District, Hibernian Australasian Catholic Benefit Society | 14 Feb., 1878              | Society requested to make application in proper form. |
| 5. Otago Railway Employés Benefit Society                                       | 7 Feb., 1877               | Ditto.  |
| 6. Court Robin Hood of Juvenile Foresters, New Plymouth                         | 25 Aug., 1877              | Copy of Revising Barrister's objections forwarded.    |
| 7. Greymouth Branch, Hibernian Australasian Catholic Benefit Society.           | 11 Mar., 1878              | Objections of Revising Barrister explained.           |
| 8. Court Royal Oak, A.O.F., Westport  | 1 May, 1877                | Copy of Revising Barrister's objections forwarded.    |
| 9. Pioneer Lodge, Ancient Order of Druids, Christchurch                         | 25 Mar., 1878              | Ditto.  |
| 10. Court Pioneer, A.O.F., Tinui  | 27 April, 1878             | Conditions of registration explained.                 |
| 11. Progress Division, Sons of Temperance, Kaiapoi                              | 15 June, 1878              | Society requested to make application in proper form. |
| 12. Auckland Working Men's Club   | 24 June, 1878              | Ditto.  |
| 13. Wellington Branch, Hibernian Australasian Catholic Benefit Society          | 24 July, 1878              | Society requested to supplement its rules.            |

## II.—APPLICATIONS FOR THE REGISTRY OF NEW SETS OF RULES.

| Name of Society.   | Date of First Application. | How finally dealt with.   |
|--|----------------------------|---|
| 1. Wellington District, A.O.F.                                   | 4 Jan., 1878               | Society informed of Revising Barrister's objections, and advised to cancel and re-register. Notifies intention of following this advice.                          |
| 2. Nelson District, I.O.O.F., M.U.                               | 25 Feb., 1878              | Society advised to cancel and re-register.  |
| 3. North Canterbury District, I. O. O. F., M.U.                  | 16 Mar., 1878              | Advised to cancel and re-register. Forwards application for cancelment and re-registration. Society informed of Revising Barrister's objections to the new rules. |
| 4. Court Concord, A.O.F., Greymouth                              | 11 May, 1878               | Advised to cancel and re-register.  |
| 5. Sanctuary Sir G. Grey, Ancient Order of Shepherds, Wellington | 27 May, 1878               | Advised to cancel and re-register. Asked to supplement its new rules.   |
| 6. Court Robin Hood, A.O.F., Nelson                              | 24 June, 1878              | Advised to cancel and re-register.  |
| 7. Auckland District, A.O.F.                                     | 25 June, 1878              | Advised to cancel and re-register. Has notified its intention of following the advice.  |
| 8. Court Sir George Grey, A.O.F., Wellington                     | 16 July, 1878              | Advised to cancel and re-register. Rules submitted to Revising Barrister.   |

## III.—APPLICATIONS FOR THE REGISTRY OF AMENDMENTS.

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| 1. North Westland District, I.O.O.F., M.U.           | 17 Jan., 1878 | Registered, 11 April 1878.      |
| 2. Loyal Marlborough Lodge, I.O.O.F., M.U., Blenheim | 18 June, 1878 | Referred to Revising Barrister. |