

Question 2—continued.

- Tauhoa—No, decidedly not.
 Wharehine—No.
 Wainui—No. Such powers ought not to be given to the inferior class of men who are monopolizing and gradually overriding many of the Councils.
- Waitemata*—No answer.
 Kaukapakapa—No.
 Lake—Counties should have power to alter boundaries where other counties interested are agreeable to such alterations.
 North Shore—No.
 Waitakerei West—Most certainly not.
 Waitakerei West (J. Cottle)—I think not.
 Waitakerei West (H. Hunter)—Certainly not.
 Whangaparaoa—See answer to No. 1.
- Eden*—No answer.
 Epsom—See answer to No. 16.
 Mount Roskill—No; there would be too much log-rolling if allowed.
 Mount Wellington—No.
 Newton—No.
 Panmure—No; unless two-thirds of ratepayers agree to it.
 Ponsonby—Road districts ought to continue to have power to leave counties.
 Waikomiti—Road districts ought to continue to have power to leave counties.
- Manukau*—No answer.
 Mercer—No.
 Hunua—No.
 Karaka—No.
 Maratai—With consent of Parliament.
 Opaheke—No.
 Otahuhu—Yes. If local self-government is to abound, the people, by their Councillors, are the proper judges when and how alterations should be made.
 Papakura—See answer to No. 1.
 Pollock—No.
 Pukekohe East—No.
 Pukekohe West—See answer to No. 1.
 Waipipi—Yes; the delay is objectionable in getting consent of Parliament.
 Wairoa—No.
Thames—No.
 Parawai—No.
 Waitoa—Yes.
- Piako*—If the ratepayers in the counties affected by any alteration be agreed, yes.
Waikato—Yes, upon an application made by a majority of the ratepayers.
 Kirikiriroa—Not without the consent of Parliament.
- Waipa*—No answer.
 Hamilton—No.
 Kihikihi—No.
 Rangiaohia—I would suggest that County Councils be done away with altogether.
 Tuhikaramea—Yes.
- Raglan*—No.
 Pirongia—No.
 Raglan Town—No answer.
- Whakatane*—No.
 Cook—No.
 Ormond—No.
 Patutahi—No.
 Te Arai—Yes.
 Poverty Bay—Yes.
- Tauranga*—No answer.
 Katikati—No.
 Te Puna—No.
- Wairoa*—No. Consent of Parliament requisite.
Hawke's Bay—Yes. In cases where counties cannot agree the matter in dispute should be decided by the Government.
 Heretaunga—Yes.
 Kereru and Aorangi—No.
- Maraekakaho—No.
 Okawa—Yes.
 Papakura—As at present.
 Petane—Yes.
 Te Mata—Yes.
- Waipawa*—Yes. In cases where counties cannot agree the matter to be decided by Parliament.
 Norsewood—Yes. In cases where counties cannot agree, the matter to be decided by Parliament.
 Oero—Yes.
 Ormondville—Yes. In cases where counties cannot agree, the matter should be decided by Parliament.
 Ruataniwha North—Yes.
 Tamumu—No.
 Woodville—No.
- Taranaki*—No.
 Manganui—Yes, upon petition of a majority of ratepayers affected by change.
 Mangarei—No.
 Carrington—No.
 Waitara West—It would not be desirable to alter the boundaries of counties, unless at least three-quarters of the ratepayers should agree to the same.
 Egmont—No.
 Moa—If such is necessary, with the consent of ratepayers.
 Okato—No.
 Clifton—No.
 Waitara East—If necessary to split up or amalgamate, consent of ratepayers to be first obtained.
 Inglewood—No.
- Patea*—Not without the express consent of Parliament.
Hawera—No answer.
 Hawera—Yes, as at present, by petition; but without consent of Parliament.
 Waimate—Yes.
 Ngaire—Yes; as at present, by petition, but without consent of Parliament.
- Wanganui*—Yes.
 Waitotara—No.
Rangitikei—No.
 Rangitikei—No.
 Lethbridge—No.
- Manawatu*—Yes; substituting a decision of a Judge of Supreme Court for a reference to Parliament.
 Manawatu—No.
 Otaki—No.
 Halcombe—No.
- Hutt*—Yes; on the petition of majority of county ratepayers.
 Kilbirnie—No. The consent of Parliament should be requisite to alter the boundaries of a county, but the County Council should have the power to alter the boundaries of ridings.
 Kaiwara—Yes; on a petition of majority of ratepayers.
- Wairarapa West*—Do not wish present arrangement disturbed.
 Featherston—No.
 Carterton—No answer.
- Waimea*—No.
 Motueka—No.
 Upper Motueka—No answer.
 Waimea—Yes.
 Richmond—Yes; without the consent of Parliament.
 Pangatotara—Yes; on the request of a majority of ratepayers in the whole county.
 Riwaka—No.
 Lower Moutere—No.
- Collingwood*—Should remain as at present.
 Collingwood—No.
Buller—No.
Inangahua—Yes; if three-fourths of the ratepayers within the portion which sought severance or amalgamation would petition the respective governing bodies.
- Grey*—Yes.
Marlborough—No answer.
 Awatere—No. Consent of Parliament should be necessary.
 Omaka—If counties agree, yes. If not, let Government decide.
 Pelorus—No; any alteration or amalgamation desired should be submitted to Parliament.
 Picton—No.
 Spring Creek—If all the counties agree, yes; if not, let the Governor decide.
 Wairau—If counties agree, yes; if not, let Governor decide.
 Lower Wairau—Not without consent of Parliament.
 Pukaka River Board—No.
- Kaikoura*—No answer.
 Kaikoura River Board—Not without the consent of three-fourths of the ratepayers paying two-thirds of the rates.
- Ashley*—No answer.
 Eyreton—Yes.
 Mandeville—No.
 Oxford—No.
 Waipara—Counties should not be allowed to be split up without consent of Parliament, as they are quite small enough already.
 West Eyreton—Not without the consent of Parliament.
- Selwyn*—No.
 Courtenay—No.
 Heathcote—No.
 Lincoln—No, only on petition of majority of ratepayers.
 Riccarton—No.
 Templeton—No.
 South Waimakariri—No.
- Akaroa*—No answer.
 Little River—Yes.
 Pigeon Bay—No.
 Port Victoria—No occasion for any alteration in present rules.
- Ashburton*—No.
 Wakanui—Yes, without the consent of Parliament, but not without consent of ratepayers.
 Mount Somers—No.
- Geraldine*—No.
 Geraldine—No.
 Mount Cook—Certainly; subject to the Governor having power to veto any dismemberment of a county which it could clearly be shown was against the welfare of the majority of the inhabitants, they having the right to memorialize the Governor to that effect.
 Mount Peel—No.
 Temuka—Yes, subject to consent of ratepayers.
- Westland*—No; especially gold fields counties.
Waitaki—No; should have consent of Parliament as at present.
 Kakanui—Not without consent of Parliament.
 Waiareka—No; parliamentary consent should be obtained.
 Waitaki—Yes.
- Waikouaiti*—With consent, as is now required.
 Palmerston South—Yes; provided that a petition to that effect be signed by not less than three-fifths of the electors in the district so desirous to alter the boundaries.
 Waikouaiti—Yes; by majority of ratepayers.
- Maniototo*—No; the consent of Parliament should be required.
Peninsula—No answer.
 Peninsula—Counties should not be allowed to split up or amalgamate without the consent of two-thirds of the ratepayers and of Parliament.
- Taieri*—No.