

Section 13 extends the powers of Borough Councils with reference to the control of food-supplies.

- 1915, No. 70. The Post and Telegraph Amendment Act, 1915.—This Act makes provision for the acceptance of fixed deposits in the Post Office Savings-bank.
- 1915, No. 71. The Law Practitioners Act, 1915.—This Act amends in various particulars the provision of the Law Practitioners Act, 1908.
- 1915, No. 72. The Public Health Amendment Act, 1915.—This Act enables the Governor by regulation to prohibit the use for human habitation of any class of buildings or of rooms that are, in the opinion of a District Health Officer, unfit for such habitation.
- 1915, No. 73. The Education Amendment Act, 1915 (No. 2).—This Act provides for the determination by the General Council of Education of the boundaries of nine education districts. It also makes necessary provision for the purpose of bringing the Act of 1914 into effective operation.
- 1915, No. 74. The Hospitals and Charitable Institutions Amendment Act, 1915.—This Act makes provision for the payment to members of Hospital and Charitable Aid Boards of travelling-expenses incurred in connection with the business of the Board.
- 1915, No. 75.—The Land Laws Amendment Act, 1915.—This Act makes several amendments, principally of an administrative character, of the Land Act, 1908, and of other Acts relating to the tenure of Crown lands.

Sections 23 and 24 relate specially to members of Expeditionary Forces on military service beyond New Zealand. Section 23 enables the Minister of Lands to remit, in whole or in part, the rent payable by any such member who is a Crown tenant, and section 24 enables agents to apply, on behalf of members of any such Force, for any Crown land that may be opened for selection at any time while such member is absent from New Zealand on military service.

- 1915, No. 76. The Counties Amendment Act, 1915.—This Act amends in several particulars the provisions of the Counties Act, 1908, and its amendments.
- 1915, No. 77. The New Zealand University Amendment Act, 1915.—This Act makes special provision to allow the Senate of the New Zealand University to confer diplomas and other distinctions on students who, by reason of their having joined an Expeditionary Force, may have been unable to comply with all the formalities prescribed by the principal Act and the regulations and University statutes thereunder.
- 1915, No. 78. The Municipal Corporations Amendment Act, 1915.—This Act amends in various particulars the provisions of the Municipal Corporations Act, 1908.
- 1915, No. 79. The Railways Improvement Authorization Amendment Act, 1915.—This Act vests certain lands in the Corporation of the City of Auckland, and also amends the provisions of the corresponding Act of 1914.
- 1915, No. 80. The Rating Amendment Act, 1915.—This Act repeals certain provisions of the Rating Amendment Act, 1913.
- 1915, No. 81. The Public Service Classification and Superannuation Amendment Act, 1915.—This Act makes new provisions as from the 1st day of January, 1916, with respect to the investment of the Public Service Superannuation Fund. At the present time the fund is paid to the Public Trustee, and becomes part of the common fund of the Public Trust Office. Under the amending Act the fund will be separately invested by the Board.
- 1915, No. 82. The Legislative Council Amendment Act, 1915.—This Act extends the duration of office of persons appointed as members of the Legislative Council.
- 1915, No. 83. The Defence Amendment Act, 1915.—Section 2 of this Act extends the provisions of the War Pensions Act, 1915, to the following persons:—

- (1.) To members of Expeditionary Forces who may be disabled in New Zealand as the result of their employment, and to their dependants; and
- (2.) To the dependants of deceased members of an Expeditionary Force whose death in New Zealand has resulted from their employment.

Section 3 provides for the recognition by the Governor of the voluntary organization known as the National Reserve. The remaining sections make minor amendments of the Defence Act, 1909.

- 1915, No. 84. The Shops and Offices Amendment Act, 1915.—This Act makes various amendments of the Shops and Offices Act, 1908.
- 1915, No. 85. The Appropriation Act, 1915.—This Act appropriates and applies certain moneys out of the Public Account and other accounts to the service of the year ending the 31st March, 1916. In addition to the usual provisions contained in the annual Appropriation Act provision is made—
- (a.) With respect to the expenditure of certain moneys subscribed for the purpose of equipping a hospital ship; and
  - (b.) Restricting the borrowing-powers of local authorities during the continuance of the present war, except with the consent of the Governor in Council.

#### *Local and Personal Acts.*

- 1915, No. 1 (Local). The Tauranga Borough Council and Tauranga Harbour Board Empowering Act, 1915.—This Act validates an agreement made between the Tauranga Borough Council and the Tauranga Harbour Board as to the acquisition by the Harbour Board of the wharves at Tauranga.
- 1915, No. 2 (Local). The Whakatane Harbour Amendment and Empowering Act, 1915.—This Act empowers the Whakatane Harbour Board to acquire certain lands to facilitate reclamation-works, and for the said purposes authorizes the Board to borrow moneys not exceeding £10,000.