Administrative Changes

During the year ended 31st March last the following administrative changes have taken place:—

Audit Department.—Mr. C. G. Collins, Controller and Auditor-General, retired on 24th September, 1945. Mr. J. P. Rutherford, Deputy Controller and Chief Inspector, was appointed by Government to succeed Mr. Collins.

Industries and Commerce Department.—Mr. P. Marshall was appointed Secretary on 21st November, 1945, on the separation of the Department from the Tourist and Health Resorts Department.

Internal Marketing Division.—Mr. R. P. Fraser was confirmed in the position of Director on 1st September, 1945.

Marine Department.—Mr. W. C. Smith was appointed Secretary on 15th August, 1945, in succession to Mr. L. B. Campbell, who retired.

Public Service Commissioner's Office.—Mr. J. A. E. Engel was appointed Assistant Public Service Commissioner on 12th August, 1945.

Social Security Department.—Mr. B. F. Waters was appointed Commissioner, Social Security Commission, and Mr. C. Dunn was appointed Director, on 30th October, 1945, vice Mr. Waters.

State Hydro-electric Department.—Mr. F. T. M. Kissel was appointed General Manager on 7th December, 1945, on the constitution of the Department.

Conclusion

We have received the utmost co-operation of the Permanent Heads of Departments in overcoming the many staffing difficulties that have arisen throughout the year. The need to have regard for the efficiency of the Service as a whole in approaching problems of personnel is receiving greater recognition, and we desire to thank the Permanent Heads and their senior executive officers for the helpful attitude they have adopted.

We also take the opportunity of placing on record our appreciation of the loyalty and devotion to duty of the staff of our own office in the face of particularly difficult conditions.

All of which is respectfully submitted for Your Excellency's gracious consideration.

- J. H. Boyes, Commissioner.
- G. T. Bolt, Assistant Commissioner.
- J. A. E. Engel, Assistant Commissioner.

Office of the Public Service Commissioner, Wellington, 27th June, 1946.