

NEW ZEALAND. GAZETTE. GOVERNMENT

(PROVINCE OF NEW MUNSTER.)

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By His Excellency's Command,

ALFRED DOMETT, Colonial Secretary.

WELLINGTON, WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 6, 1848. VOL. I.]

[No. 23.

PROCLAMATION.

By His Excellency EDWARD JOHN EXRE, Esquire, Lieutenant-Governor of the Province of New Munster, in the Islands of New Zealand.

WHEREAS, by an Ordinance enacted by the Lieutenant-Governor of New Zealand, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council, Sess. 8, No. 9, intituled "An Ordinance for Registering Births, Deaths, and Marriages in the colony of New Zealand," it is enacted that for the purposes of the said Ordinance "it shall be lawful for the Governor (or Lieutenant-Governor) by Proclamation to be for that purpose is ped, to divide the colony of New Zealand into such and so many districts as he shall think ht, and every such district shall be called by a distinct name, and shall be a Deputy Registrar's district: Provided always that it shall be lawful for the Governor to revoke such Proclamation, and to issue from time to time a new Proclamation, dividing the colony anew, into such and so many districts as he shall think fit:"

15th May, 1848, the Province of New Munster was divided into certain districts, to be the Deputy Positions of New Manuel Position of New to be the Deputy Registrar's districts thereof:

Now therefore I, the Lieutenant-Governor, in pursuance of the power and authority in me vested by the said in part recited Ordinance, do hereby revoke so much of the said Proclamation as relates to the boundaries of the district of Otakou, in the said Province of New Munster, and I hereby appoint and declare that the said district of Otakou shall be divided into two districtsthe names and boundaries of which shall, for the present, be as follows:-

DISTRICT OF OTAKOU.

All that part of the Middle Island lying between the district of Akaroa and a direct

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line drawn across the island from Doubtful Harbour, to the point where the Southern boundary of the settlement of Otakou strikes the Eastern Coast of the Island, shall be called the district of Otakou, and shall be the district of the Deputy-Registrar thereof for all intents and purposes.

DISTRICT OF FOVEAUX STRAITS.

All that part of the Province of New Munster not included in any of the districts hitherto proclaimed (comprising Stewart's Island, or New Leinster, the islands in Foveaux Straits, and all other islands adjacent to that part of the Middle Island included within this district) shall be called the district of Foveaux Straits, and shall be the district of the Deputy-Registrar thereof for all intents and purposes.

Given under my hand, at Government House, Wellington, in the Province of New Munster, in the said Islands of New Zealand, this twenty-ninth day of November, in the year of Our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and forty eight.

E. EYRE.

By His Excellency's Command,
ALFRED DOMETT,
Colonial Secretary.

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN!

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Wellington, 30th November, 1848.

HIS EXCELLENCY THE LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR has been pleased to direct the re-publication of the following Proclamations and Despatch, from the Auckland Government Gazette of the 11th inst.

By His Excellency's Command,

ALFRED DOMETT, Colonial Secretary.

PROCLAMATION.

By His Excellency George Gree, Esq., K. C. B., Governor-in-Chief in and over the Islands of New Zealand, and Governor of the Provinces of New Ulster and New Munster, and Vice-Admiral of the same, &c., &c.

WHEREAS the undermentioned Ordinance, enacted by the Lieutenant-Governor of New Zealand, with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council thereof, was passed in the eleventh year of the reign of Her Majesty Queen Victoria, viz.:—

No. 10. "An Ordinance for promoting the Education of Youth in the colony of New Zealand. (October 9th. 1847):

Zealand. (October 9th, 1847):
Which Ordinance having been by the Right Honorable Earl Grey, one of Her Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State, laid before the Queen, Her Majesty has been

graciously pleased to confirm and allow the

Now therefore I, the Governor-in-Chief of New Zealand, do hereby proclaim and make known to all whom it may concern, that Her Majesty has been pleased to confirm and allow the beforementioned Ordinance.

Given under my hand, and issued under the Public Seal of the Islands of New Zealand, at Government House, at Auckland, in the Province of New Ulster, this eighth day of November, in the year of Our Lord one thousand eight hundred and fortyeight.

G. GREY, Governor-in-Chief.

By His Excellency's Command,

C. A. Dillon, Civil Secretary.

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN!

PROCLAMATION.

By His Excellency George Grey, Esq., K. C. B., Governor-in-Chief in and over the Islands of New Zealand, and Governor of the Provinces of New Ulster and New Munster, and Vice-Admiral of the same, &c., &c.

WHEREAS the undermentioned Ordinance, enacted by the Lieutenant-Governor of New Zealand with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council thereof, was passed in the eleventh year of the reign of Her Majesty Queen Victoria, viz.:

"An Ordinance for indemnifying the Officers of Her Majesty's Forces and others, for all acts done by them under certain Proclamations of Martial Law." (Oct. 14th, 1847):

Which Ordinance having been by the Right Honorable Earl Grey, one of Her Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State, laid before the Queen, Her Majesty has been graciously pleased to confirm and allow the same:

Now therefore I, the Governor-in-Chief of New Zealand, do hereby proclaim and make known to all whom it may concern, that Her Majesty has been pleased to confirm and allow the beforementioned Ordinance.

Given under my hand, and issued under the Public Seal of the Islands of New Zealand, at Government House, at Auckland, in the Province of New Ulster, this ninth day of November, in the year of Our Lord one thousand eight hundred and forty-eight.

G. GREY,
Governor-in-Chief.
By His Excellency's Command,
C. A. DILLON,
Civil Secretary,
GOD SAVE THE QUEEN!

Downing Street, 1st June, 1848.

Sir.

It has become my melancholy duty to communicate to you the intelligence of the decease of Her Royal Highness the Princess SOPHIA, which event took place at Kensington Palace, on Saturday, the 27th May.

I am Sir,

Your most obedient servant,
(Signed) Grant

(Signed) GREY.

To Governor Grey, &c., &c.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Wellington, 1st December, 1848.

HIS EXCELLENCY THE LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR has been pleased to direct the publication of the following
Reports for general information.

By His Excellency's Command,

ALFRED DOMETT, Colonial Secretary.

Wellington, November 21st, 1848.

Sir,—We have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 25th October, informing us that it was the desire of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor that a Board should be appointed to examine and report on the damage done in Wellington by the late earthquake, and further informing us that Mr. Park had been chosen by the inhabitants as a member of the Beard on their part, and that the Council desired that Mr. St. Hill and Captain Collinson should act on the part of the Government.

We beg to report that in compliance with that letter, we have examined the damaged buildings, and we herewith enclose a list of On that list is stated the manner in which the proprietors propose to repair their buildings, as they have informed us, and also what further measures we have, in some instances, considered necessary. In those cases where the damaged houses front the principal streets, and, in their present state, are a nuisance and a danger to the public, we beg to recommend that one month be allowed to the proprietors to repair them. The particular repairs required to such houses are marked in the list as being necessary to secure the public thoroughfares.

In addition to the damages mentioned in the list, we find that almost every chimney in the Town has been broken down close to the roof. As this is a very dangerous nuisance in a Town composed chiefly of wooden houses, we consider it very desirable that the inhabitants should be obliged to build up the damaged chimnies to a safe height above the roof within two months.

The above forms the principal object of the Board; in the course of executing which we beg to state we have been very much assisted by the list of the damaged houses, drawn up by Sergeant Mills of the Armed Police.

But we further beg to offer a few Remarks on the description of building best adapted to stand shocks of earthquakes, which may be of use to persons about to build storehouses, which are desired to be more secure from fire than wooden houses.

We have observed that those brick buildings have suffered least which have had bond-timbers in the brickwork, or have been lined with wood, or weatherboarded; and that a great many gable-ends of houses, in which the wall plate has not been carried through the gable, have been thrown down, without reference to any particular direction of the compass; and that the gable ends of hipped roofs, on the contrary, have not suffered so much. And also that, in almost all the brickwork, the mortar has been of a very bad description, being composed of lime and clay, instead of lime and sand, as it should have been, by which there has been so little bond in the brickwork, that many walls have been shaken down in single bricks.

The building we recommend for the above object, and for greater security against fire than a weatherboarded house, is a strong wooden frame upon a brick foundation, filled in with bricknogging laid in mortar, and covered outside with strong laths and plaster, and inside with boards or plaster. But as it is probable that there will be always a great many houses in the Town built entirely of wood, we recommend it to the consideration of the inhabitants, that all future wooden houses should be separated from each other as much as possible, both as a security against fire, and because the action of a shock is sometimes of an undulating kind, that will take more effect on a continuous line of buildings than on several detached small ones.

With respect to your letter of the 30th October, requesting us to prepare a general Report upon the earthquake, to show the direction of the earth's motion during the shocks, and other incidents, we beg to add a general account of the occurrence collected from the different statements that have arrived up to this time from the neighbouring places.

The action of the earthquake appears to have extended from about the latitude of Banks' Peninsula to the latitude of New Plymouth, the strongest force of it having been in Cook's Strait, and in a N.W. and S.E direction from thence.

It commenced on October 16th with a strong shock at 1h. 30m. a.m.; on the 17th there was a second at 4 p.m.; on the 19th a third at 5 a.m.; on the 24th there was a fourth at 2 p.m.

These were all the strong shocks, but in the intervals there were a great number of smaller shocks, varying from 10 to 20 in the 24 hours; and these continued, gradually lessening in number and force, from the 16th to the 30th October; and from that time to this there have been several more violent than the small shocks. The strong shocks appear to have been felt at all the settlements within the latitudes above mentioned, and, as far as we can determine, simultaneously; but we have no certain data to decide this point; and also with the same character, but less in force in proportion to the distance from Cook's Strait, and the line of N.E. and S.W. direction,

The strong shocks were all of this character:—A sound like subterranean thunder, accompanied with a vibration of the ground for a few seconds, and then a quick heaving oscillation of the earth, which, in a few seconds more died away with a quivering motion, the small shocks had not much of the heaving motion, but were more like the firing of cannon immediately underneath the place; they were sometimes so frequent that it sounded like a distant cannonade, while the earth appeared to tremble inces-

santly for 2 or 3 hours together.

The direction of the noise, and the motion of the earth, appeared to some people to come from the Southward, to others from the Northward; the buildings that have been damaged, are injured principally on the S.E. sides, and on the N.W. sides. A billiard table in Barrett's Hotel was moved an inch to the S.E. The shocks were felt at Nelson a little more violently than at Wanganui; hardly at all at Hawke's Bay, and as strongly at Banks' Peninsula as at Wanganui.

Therefore we conclude the line of direc-

tion to be N.E. and S.W.

There have been a few cracks made in the ground at Wellington, and at the mouths of some small rivers on the N.W.coast, and at the mouth of the Wairau; they are long narrow cracks, not larger than those caused

by a long drought.

On the 16th October, eight hours after the first shock, it being high water but neap tides, the tide rose in Wellington one foot above ordinary spring tides; but this might have been occasioned by a strong S.E. wind, which lasted the 15th and 16th. On the 17th it was calm fine weather; on the 19th strong S.E. gale; on the 24th fine and calm.

On the 19th and 20th the Aurora Australis was very brilliant in the S.E., but there was nothing to indicate it had any connection with the earthquake. There was no change in the Barometer or Thermometer that would appear to have given warning of a shock.

It appears to have been felt less on the higher grounds, and upon rocky foundations.

The last winter has been an unusually rainy season, with little wind, and this is a circumstance which is said to be connected with earthquakes in South America.

It appears not to have been felt at all at Otakou or Auckland.

Up to this date no eruption has been heard of at any place within the limits of the

earthquake as above stated.

We have endeavoured to ascertain the amount of damage done to the Town, and we consider that at the utmost, it is not more than £15,000 in property of all descriptions, and that includes £3500 of the Colonial Government, and £1000 of H.M. Ordnance.

We have the honor to be, Sir,

Your obedient Servants, T. B. Collinson, Capt. R. E., ROBERT PARK, Civil Engineer, HENRY ST. HILL, R. M.

The Hon. the Colonial Secretary, &c.

Wellington, 17th October, 1848. SIR-I have the honour to enclose two reports from the Superintendents, and the usual abstracts of labour employed and work done during the Quarter ending 30th September, 1848.—From the general abstract it will appear that the amount expended during the Quarter, exclusive of the expense for tools and stone, amounted to £1073 9s. 8d., to this a further sum of £121 13s. 7d. has to be added as the cost of the latter, which includes that of the punt for punting stone across the mill pond at Kaiwarra, and a few other expenses connected with the road which could not properly be classed as contingencies to any particular portion of it. This will give a total amount of £1195 3s. 3d. as the expenditure during the past Quarter. The work during this period was chiefly carried on on the Petoni Road, and on the new line over the Mungaroa range, which is now ready for the party that will follow to construct the road. This I hope will be completed very early in the ensuing year, so that when the bush now fallen as far as the Pakuratahi river has been burnt off, the road can easily be made practicable as far as that river; and if large parties were employed during the summer, I have little doubt but that we might get to the top of the Rimutaka range with the road before the close of the fine season. This is the first summer we have ever had any likelihood of retaining large parties of natives on the work; and from the great number of applications, I am sure we might safely calculate on at least two hundred all through the summer, if we had the funds to employ them. They are chiefly Ngatiraukawas from Otaki, and most of them are now excellent workmen, very intelligent and orderly, and well conducted in their habits. They scarcely wear any but European clothing now, the blanket being seldom seen on them unless at night or early in the morning, and they are fast adopting all the customs of civilized life.

I have the honour to be, Sir, Your most obedient servant,

T. H. FITZGERALD, Surveyor. The Hon. Colonial Sec., &c. &c., Wellington.

ABSTRACT OF LABOUR EMPLOYED, WORK DONE, AND EXPENSE INCURRED AT THE WAIRARAPA ROAD PARTIES, UNDER MR. FITZGERALD, FROM 1st JULY TO 30th SEPTEMBER, 1848.

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T. H. FITZGERALD, SURVEYOR.

Registrar-General's Office, Wellington, 18th November, 1848.

PURSUANT to the Provisions of the 40th, 41st, and 42nd Clauses of the "Marriage Ordinance," Sess. 8, No. 7, 1847, the following list of officiating Ministers is herewith published for general information.

ROBERT R. STRANG, Registrar-General.

LIST OF OFFICIATING MINISTERS IN THE PROVINCE OF NEW MUNSTER.

Names.	Religious Bodies.	Residences.
Reverend W. Colenso ,, J. Hamlin ,, Octavius Hadfield ,, R. Cole ,, S. Williams ,, R. Taylor ,, H. Butt ,, T. L. Tudor	Church of England.	Ahuriri. Wairoa. Wellington. Otaki. Wanganui. Nelson.
Reverend Thomas Dickson Nicholson , Thomas Burns	Free Church of Scotland.	Nelson. Otakou.
Reverend James Duncan	Reformed Presbyterian Church.	Manawatu. Wellington.
Reverend William Woon ,, James Watkin ,, Samuel Ironside John Aldred	Wesleyan Methodist Society.	Patea. Wellington. Nelson.
Reverend J. J. P. O'Reily	Roman Catholic Church.	Otakou.

I, ROBERT RODGER STRANG, Registrar-General for the Province of New Munster, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of the "List of Officiating Ministers" for the said Province, compiled by me in conformity with the instructions contained in Clauses 40, 41, and 42, of the Marriage Ordinance, Sess. 8, No. 7.

ROBERT R. STRANG, Registrar General.

Registrar-General's Office, Wellington, 18th November, 1848.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Wellington, 30th November, 1848. HIS EXCELLENCY THE LIEUTE-NANT-GOVERNOR has been pleased to appoint

The Rev. John Frederick H. Wohlers, to be Deputy-Registrar of Births, Marriages, and Deaths, for the District of Foveaux Straits. The appointment to bear date the 28th instant.

By His Excellency's Command,

ALFRED DOMETT, Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Wellington, 1st December, 1848. TENDERS will be received at this Office until the 30th instant, from persons desirous of contracting for the undermentioned services, viz. :-

Piling the banks of the River Hutt adjacent to the Bridge, and executing such other works as may be required in securing the abutments of the Bridge, and preventing the further encroachments of the river on its banks above and below the Bridge.

Plans and specifications of the work may be seen, on application at the office of the Surveyor, Mr. T. H. Fitzgerald, any day subsequent to the 11th instant.

Tenders to be in duplicate, sealed and endorsed "Tender for Piling Banks of River Hutt."

> By his Excellency's Command, ALFRED DOMETT, Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Wellington, 1st December, 1848.

TENDERS will be received at this Office, on or before the 15th instant, from persons desirous of supplying the Local Government with a

FIVE-OARED WHALEBOAT,

with sails, oars, &c., complete.

Specifications may be seen on application at the Harbor Master's Office. .

Tenders to be in duplicate, sealed and endorsed "Tender for Whaleboat."

By His Excellency's Command,

ALFRED DOMETT, Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Wellington, 1st December, 1848.

TENDERS will be received at this Office until the 15th instant, from persons desirous of contracting for the construction of the Sea Wall to the road between Kaiwarra and Ngahauranga, at per yard superficial, the average thickness being about five

Parties tendering may either tender for the work, supplying their own material, or for the workmanship only.

Tenders to be in duplicate, sealed and endorsed "Tender for Construction of Sea Wall to Ngahauranga."

By His Excellency's Command, ALFRED DOMETT, Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Wellington, 1st December, 1848. SEALED TENDERS, in Duplicate, will be received at this Office, on or before Friday, the 15th instant, from parties willing to contract for the supply of the whole, or any portion, of the undermentioned articles, in such quantities as may be required for the Public Service, during the half-year ending the 30th June, 1849.

Adzes each	
(I inch)	
Augers { I inch },	
(1½ inch)	
Axes, American felling	
Billhooks,	
Blocks per inch.	
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Jumpers	
Rammers per lb.	
Tools Comment Named on Per 15.	
Spoon and Needles	
(Wedges)	
Coals, (English or Sydney) per 100 lbs.	
Files, { Hand and Cross Cut } per dozen.	
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Grindstones { 18 in. diameter } each	
Grindstones 24 each	
Hammers per lb.	
Lines, 3 inch, 100 feet long each	
Levels, common, similar to Brick	
layers' per foot.	
Mattocks each.	
Pick Axes,	
Stone Picks	
Rakes, 15 in. wide	
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Cant Hooks	
Wrought Iron	
Steel	

The above articles to be delivered at the Hutt Bridge, in Wellington or Porirua, as required, and all to be of the best quality. Tenders to be endorsed, "Tenders for

Tools, &c."

By His Excellency's Command, ALFRED DOMETT, Colonial Secretary. Colonial Secretary's Office, Wellington, 1st December, 1848.

TENDERS will be received at this Office, on or before Friday, the 15th instant, for the Supply of Rations to the Gaol of Wellington; also of Hospital Stores and Provisions for Natives, for the half-year ending the 30th June, 1849.

WELLINGTON GAOL.

Ration No. 1, @ # Ration
" 2, " " "
3, " " "
Lunatic Patients, " "
Oil, @ # Gallon.
Cotton Wick, @ # fb.

A copy of the established Scale of Rations may be obtained at the Sheriff's Office.

HOSPITAL STORES AND PROVISIONS FOR NATIVES.

Beef, Mutton, Flour, Arrowroot, Sago, Rice, Tea, Sugar, Oatmeal, Salt, Yellow Soap, Pearl Barley, Mixed Vegetables, Potatoes, Loaf Sugar, Treacle, and Bread,

Eggs, @ \ dozen
Milk, @ \ pint
Port Wine, @ \ dozen
Porter, " " "
Brandy, " " gallon
Vinegar, " "
Fowls, 'each
Lamp Oil, @ \ gallon
Linseed Oil " "

The whole of which articles are to be subject to the approval of the Colonial Surgeon.

Also for such Supplies of Meat (Salt and Fresh), Flour, &c., as may be required for the service of the Colonial Brig Victoria, when in harbour.

Tenders for Rations, or Hospital Stores, &c., may embrace the whole or any portion of the above-named Articles, and should be in Duplicate, sealed and endorsed "Tenders for Gaol Rations, &c.," as the case may

By His Excellency's Command,
ALFRED DOMETT,
Colonial Secretary.

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