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By His Excellency's Command,

ANDREW SINCLAIR, Colonial Secretary.

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PROCLAMATION.

By His Excellency Sir GEORGE GREY, 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., &c.

WHEREAS by an Ordinance enacted by the Governor-in-Chief of New Zealand, with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council thereof, Session 9, No. 2, intituled, "An Ordinance for Regulating the Conveyance and Postage of Letters," it is amongst other things enacted, that it shall be lawful for the Governor-in-Chief, from time to time, by Proclamation to be published in the *Government Gazette*, to abolish, alter, and fix the Colonial Postage payable for the transmission by Post of Letters and other Papers, and from time to time, by such Proclamation as aforesaid to alter, repeal, or abolish any Colonial Postage so altered or fixed as aforesaid, and to make and establish any new or other Postage in lieu thereof.

And whereas it is expedient that by pre-paying the postage, persons should be enabled to send Letters to and from the Colony of New Zealand to Great Britain free of postage to the persons receiving the same, and that a system of pre-payment of letters by stamps should be introduced into New Zealand, and to that end that the rates of Colonial Postage to be charged on all Letters be fixed according to the weight thereof and without reference to the distance or number of miles the same may be conveyed.

Now therefore I, the Governor-in-Chief of New Zealand, in pursuance and by virtue of the power and authority vested in me by the said recited Ordinance and under and by virtue of all other powers and authorities enabling me in that behalf, Do hereby proclaim and declare, that on the First day of April, 1851, the rates of Postage now payable in the Colony of New Zealand for the transmission, receipt, or delivery of Letters shall be abolished and repealed. And on and after the said First day of April, 1851, a Colonial Rate of Postage shall be charged and paid on all Letters passing through any Post Office in the Colony of New Zealand, or transmitted by post therein, by weight according to the following rate (that is to say):—

On every Letter not exceeding half an ounce in weight—Two Pence.

On every Letter exceeding half an ounce in weight then the sum of Two Pence for every half ounce or fractional part of half an ounce, according to the weight of such Letter.

The postage on all Letters and Papers despatched from New Zealand to places beyond the seas shall be paid in this Colony.

All Letters and Papers having a Postage Stamp or Stamps affixed thereto or enclosed in covers having a Postage Stamp or Stamps affixed thereto of such form as may be prescribed by the Local Government, which shall not have been used before, and which shall be of the value or amount of the postage to which such Letters or Papers would be respectively liable, according to the scale hereinbefore provided, shall pass by the Post free of Postage.

On all Letters sent by Post, on being re-directed and again forwarded by the Post, there

shall be charged and paid a new and distinct rate of postage for the re-direction, in addition to all other rates of postage payable thereon, according to the scale and rate of postage hereinbefore mentioned.

No Letter or Packet, exceeding sixteen ounces in weight, shall be forwarded by the Post, except Deeds, Law Proceedings, and Law Papers, and also except Letters to and from places beyond the seas and Letters to and from the Governor, Letters on the Public Service, or to and from any of the Government Offices or Departments.

On all Deeds, Law Proceedings, and Law Papers, on all Printed Votes and Proceedings of the Imperial Parliament, and Periodical Publications despatched by the Post between places in New Zealand, or sent to or received from the United Kingdom or any of Her Majesty's Colonies, there shall be charged and paid the rates of New Zealand Postage following, that is to say:—If not exceeding four ounces in weight, a rate of Two Pence, and for every additional four ounces in weight above four ounces there shall be charged and paid an additional rate of Two Pence.

Printed Newspapers shall be conveyed by the Post free of Postage, provided they be sent without a cover or in a cover open at the sides, and there be no writing thereon, or upon the cover of the same, except the name and address of the person to whom sent, and that no paper or thing be enclosed in or with any such paper. And every paper or packet which shall be contrary in any respect to the conditions hereby required to be observed, shall be charged with treble the duty of postage to which it would have been liable as a letter.

Printed Prices Current and Commercial Lists, not exceeding two ounces in weight, shall be forwarded through the Post under the same regulations and privileges as Newspapers.

Non-Commissioned Officers, Captains' Stewards, Seamen, and Soldiers, may send and receive letters not exceeding half an ounce in weight by the Post on their own private concerns only, while they are employed on Her Majesty's service, at the rate of One Penny for each letter. And with respect to letters sent or received by any such privileged persons, the following conditions shall be observed, that is to say,—the postage of each letter (unless sent from parts beyond the seas) shall be paid on being put into the Post-office, and upon such Letter shall be subscribed the name of the writer, and his class or description in the vessel, regiment, corps, or detachment to which he belongs, and signed by the officer having at the time the command of the vessel or of the regiment, corps, or detachment to which the privileged person belongs.

Whenever the letters sent or received by any such privileged persons shall be sent from parts beyond the seas, without the said postage of one penny being prepaid, every such letter shall be charged to the party receiving the same with a rate of twopence, and any letters

received by the Post, under this regulation, by any such privileged persons, which may have been re-directed, shall not be charged with any postage for such re-direction.

Given under my hand, and issued under the Public Seal of the Islands of New Zealand at Government-House at Wellington, in the Province of New Munster, in the Islands aforesaid, this thirty-first day of December, in the Year of Our Lord one thousand eight hundred and fifty.

G. GREY,  
Governor-in-Chief.

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

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN!

Colonial Secretary's Office,  
Auckland, March 8, 1851.

**NOTICE.**—The Wardens of the Hundred of Auckland having appointed

Mr. JOHN McELWAIN  
to be "Keeper" of the Public Slaughterhouse in Freeman's Bay, and

Mr. DAVID GEORGE SMALE  
to be "Keeper" of the Public Slaughterhouse at Hobson's Bridge,

the above-named persons are hereby authorized by the Government to receive and recover the Fees payable for Slaughtering Cattle at the respective Slaughterhouses to which they have been so appointed.

ANDREW SINCLAIR,  
Colonial Secretary.

#### HAY, MAIZE, AND BRAN.

Colonial Secretary's Office,  
Auckland, March 7, 1851.

**TENDERS** will be received at this Office until noon, on Tuesday the 18th instant, for the supply of the undermentioned articles, in such quantities as may be required by the Colonial Government, during the twelve calendar months, commencing on the 1st of April next:—

Hay, at per ton  
Maize, } at per bushel  
Bran, }

The tenders to state the price at which the abovenamed articles will be delivered at the Government Stables, in Mechanics' Bay.

Any further information may be obtained at the office of the Superintendent of Public Works.

Each tender must be in duplicate, sealed, and endorsed, Tender for Hay, Maize, or Bran, as the case may be.

By His Excellency's command,  
ANDREW SINCLAIR,  
Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office,  
Auckland, March 7th, 1851.

IN compliance with instructions from His Excellency the GOVERNOR-IN-CHIEF, the following Returns are published for general information.

ANDREW SINCLAIR,  
Colonial Secretary.

RETURN, showing the QUANTITY OF LAND CULTIVATED by, and the NUMBER OF STOCK belonging to, Europeans at the principal Settlements in the Province of New Ulster, at the termination of the Year 1850.

LOCALITIES.	NATURE OF CROP, AND NUMBER OF ACRES OF LAND IN EACH CROP.											Number of Acres of Uncultivated Land	NUMBER OF STOCK.			
	Wheat.	Oats.	Barley.	Maize.	Potatoes.	Turnips.	Hay.	Onions.	Garden.	Pasture.	Total Number of Acres in Crop.		Horses.	Horned Cattle.	Sheep.	Goats.
AUCKLAND — Town and Suburbs, including the North Shore ...	29	105½	10½	5½	126½	..	138½	...	131½	1,007½	1,554½	9,576½	279	2,028	1,257	48
Epsom, Onchunga, Otahuhu, Panmure, and Country west of the Tamaki ..	205	533½	117	95½	793½	..	238	..	111½	3,559½	5,653½	15,170½	358	3,271	2,016	115
Howick, and the Country east of the Tamaki ...	9	155½	7½	2½	146	..	..	..	23½	530½	874½	5,376	88	1,504	8	182
TOTALS IN THE AUCKLAND DISTRICT ..	243	794½	184½	103	1,066½	..	376½	..	267	5,097½	8,082½	30,123	725	6,809	3,281	345
BAY OF ISLANDS—Russell ... ..	..	..	..	..	30	..	..	..	..	100	130	..	56	600	830	500
Waimate .. ..	20	..	..	..	30	..	50	..	..	600	720	..	80	1,000	1,500	100
Hokianga .. ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	80	100	..	..
TOTALS IN THE BAY OF ISLANDS DISTRICT ..	20	..	..	..	80	..	50	..	..	700	850	..	166	1,700	2,330	600
MONGANUI — Wangaroa .. ..	8	..	2	11	5	..	..	..	5	51	82	..	46	480	300	40
Monganui .. ..	3	3	..	1	16	..	..	..	7½	79	109½	..	12	170	..	20
Kaitaia .. ..	1	1	3	5½	15	..	..	10	14½	140	190	..	20	350	12	..
TOTALS IN THE MONGANUI DISTRICT ..	12	4	5	17½	36	..	..	10½	27½	270	381½	..	78	1,000	420	60
NEW PLYMOUTH ... ..	846	153	153	6	263	119	5,426½	..	68½	1,182	3,217	..	57	1,147	1,934	69
GROSS TOTALS IN THE ABOVE NAMED DISTRICTS..	1,121	951½	292½	126½	1,445½	119	852½	10½	362½	7,249½	12,531½	..	1,026	10,650	7,965	1,074

NOTES.—(a) The Returns for Auckland refer only to the country within a radius of fourteen miles of the Town. The numbers given of acres in crop and of uncultivated land refer to the purchased land in the occupation of the Settlers, and not to the Waste Lands of the Crown. The number of Acres granted by the Crown within the whole District of Auckland is 71,138, and the total granted within the Province 273,606 acres.

(b) This number includes, besides Hay, other Crops not distinguished in the Return from New Plymouth. The extensive crops of Wheat, &c., raised by the Natives of Kaitaia, Otawahao, Bay of Plenty, &c., and the Stock belonging to them, are not included in this Return.

Compiled from authentic Official Records.

By His Excellency's command,  
ANDREW SINCLAIR, Colonial Secretary.

**RETURN of LIVE STOCK, and of the Principal Kinds of PROVISIONS, imported into the Province of New Ulster, during the Years 1848, 1849, 1850.**

Printed by WILLIAMSON & WILSON for the New Zealand Government.

DESCRIPTION.	1848.			1849.			1850.		
	Quantity.	Value.		Quantity.	Value.		Quantity.	Value.	
		£	s. d.		£	s. d.		£	s. d.
Cattle, Horned .. .. .	4,434	23,304	0 0	782	2,688	0 0	6	40	0 0
Horses .. .. .	337	8,523	0 0	429	3,888	0 0	40	321	0 0
Sheep .. .. .	4,291	1,956	0 0	2,929	1,311	0 0	3,156	908	10 0
Beef, Salted .. .. .	577 casks	1,029	0 0	496 casks	853	0 0	627 casks	880	15 0
Pork, ditto .. .. .	nil.	0	0 0	40 barrels	52	0 0	67 "	91	5 0
	tons. cwt.			tons. cwt. qrs.			tons. cwt. qrs. lbs.		
Biscuit .. .. .	22 15	402	0 0	39 15 0	429	0 0	34 8 2 16	406	4 6
Butter, Salted .. .. .	13 15	836	0 0	9 19 0	668	0 0	5 5 1 25	369	19 0
Cheese .. .. .	11 10	313	0 0	9 14 0	305	0 0	8 2 0 12	290	16 8
Coffee .. .. .	21 0	636	0 0	5 13 2	252	0 0	4 4 0 8	190	4 0
Flour .. .. .	631 0	6,686	0 0	1,024 15 0	9,736	0 0	615 0 0 0	5,885	2 6
Oatmeal .. .. .	9 0	64	0 0	6 12 0	78	0 0	4 3 1 10	74	7 0
Rice and Sago .. .. .	19 0	338	0 0	40 11 0	408	0 0	55 9 3 0	617	12 0
Sugar, Moist .. .. .	314 15	5,356	0 0	252 6 2	3,832	0 0	301 6 1 14	4,915	6 0
" Refined .. .. .	10 0	377	0 0	26 6 0	860	0 0	89 14 3 0	2,128	0 0
Tea .. .. .	1,284 packages	2,245	0 0	393 packages	1,963	0 0	191 packages.	2,914	17 6
Totals .. .. .		£52,065	0 0		£27,323	0 0		£20,013	0 0

The Value of Imports of all kinds to the Province in 1848 was £124,434 0 0  
Ditto ditto ditto 1849 „ 106,912 0 0  
Ditto ditto ditto 1850 „ 108,793 16 8½

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ANDREW SINCLAIR,  
Colonial Secretary.