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A PROCLAMATION,

Altering rates of Postage on Letters and Newspapers forwarded through the United Kingdom.

By His Excellency Colonel THOMAS GORE BROWNE, Companion of the Most Honorable Order of the Bath, Governor and Commander-in-Chief in and over Her Majesty's Colony of New Zealand and Vice-Admiral of the same, &c., &c., &c.

WHEREAS by an Act of the General Assembly of New Zealand, intituled, the "New Zealand Post Office Act, 1858," it is enacted that it shall be lawful for the Governor in Council from time to time by Proclamation to be published in the New Zealand Gazette, to fix, alter, and abolish the rates of Postage at any time payable within the Colony for the transmission of Letters and Newspapers by Post, either between places within New Zealand or to or from places beyond seas, and at what time the same shall be paid, and that the Postage so made payable shall be charged and paid accordingly. And whereas by a Proclamation duly made and issued, bearing date the tenth day of December, One thousand eight hundred and fifty-eight, the Governor in Council did in pursuance of the said recited power and authority, fix certain rates of postage, and the times at which the same respectively should be paid. And whereas it is desirable that some of the said rates should be altered as hereinafter mentioned,

Now, therefore, I, the Governor of New Zealand, in exercise of the said recited power

and authority, with the advice and consent of the Executive Council, do hereby alter the rates of postage, payable within the Colony, for the transmission of Letters and Newspapers by post, to or from places beyond seas, passing through the English Post Office; And I do proclaim and declare that such rates shall be the rates set forth in the Schedule hereunto annexed, together with such rates as shall from time to time be fixed by lawful authority in England, for postage from England to certain places beyond the Seas.

And I do further appoint and declare that that this Proclamation shall take effect on and after the first day of February, One thousand eight hundred and sixty-one.

Given under my hand, at the Government House at Auckland, and issued under the Public Seal of the Colony, this twenty-ninth day of December, in the year of Our Lord, One thousand eight hundred and sixty.

T. GORE BROWNE,

By His Excellency's command,

E. W. STAFFORD.

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN!

SCHEDULE

TABLE SHOWING THE RATES OF POSTAGE UPON LETTERS AND NEWSPAPERS POSTED IN NEW ZEALAND.

1. Inland Letters.

From any part of New Zealand to any other part of New Zealand; prepaid or not, according to the option of the sender, a uni-

form rate according to the following scale :—

Not exceeding $\frac{1}{2}$ an ounce in weight	2d
Exceeding $\frac{1}{2}$ an ounce, not exceeding 1 ounce	4d
And so on, increasing fourpence for every additional ounce or fraction of an ounce.	

2. Foreign Letters.

All Postage on Letters addressed to places beyond the Colony must be prepaid, a uniform rate (except where otherwise herein specially provided) according to the following scale :—

Not exceeding $\frac{1}{2}$ an ounce	6d
Exceeding $\frac{1}{2}$ an ounce, not exceeding 1 ounce	1s
And so on, increasing one shilling for every additional ounce or fraction of an ounce.	

NOTE.—Letters sent to or by Seamen and Soldiers in Her Majesty's Service, and in the service of the East India Company, will be transmitted within the Colony, and between the Colony and any Post Office in the British Dominions, at a charge of One Penny; provided the following regulations are observed,

1st. Each Letter must not exceed half an ounce in weight.

2nd. It must be superscribed with the name of the writer, his description or class in the vessel or regiment, and signed by the officer at the time in command.

3rd. The Postage must be prepaid.

Any letter of this description posted or received in the colony, not in accordance with the foregoing regulations will be treated as an ordinary letter.

3. Special Rates payable on certain Letters in addition to the ordinary rate of Foreign Postage of sixpence per half ounce.

1. Via Marseilles to the United Kingdom :—
Letters under $\frac{1}{2}$ ounce 3d
One $\frac{1}{2}$ ounce and under $\frac{1}{2}$ an ounce 6d

And so on, increasing three pence for every additional quarter of an ounce or fraction of a quarter of an ounce.

2. Letters addressed to officers on board any of Her Majesty's Ships on Foreign Stations sent through the United Kingdom :—

Not exceeding $\frac{1}{2}$ an ounce	6d
Exceeding $\frac{1}{2}$ an ounce and not exceeding 1 ounce	1s

And so on, increasing one shilling for every additional ounce or fraction of an ounce.

3. Letters forwarded, via the United Kingdom, to other colonies and Foreign countries.

Such rates in addition to the ordinary rate of Foreign Postage as shall from time to time be fixed by lawful authority in England, and published in the "New Zealand Government Gazette."

The Postage upon these Letters must in all cases be paid in advance.

4. Continent of Europe via Trieste :—
Letters not exceeding $\frac{1}{2}$ an ounce .. 1s
Exceeding $\frac{1}{2}$ an ounce and not exceeding 1 ounce 2s

Increasing two shillings for every additional ounce or fraction of an ounce.

5. Jerusalem, Baghdad, etc., via Alexandria and Jaffa :—

Letters not exceeding $\frac{1}{2}$ an ounce..	5d
Exceeding $\frac{1}{2}$ an ounce, not exceeding one ounce	10d

Increasing tenpence for every additional ounce or fraction of an ounce.

6. Registered Letters :—

Uniform Registration Fee, one shilling besides the postage.

On Letters addressed through the United Kingdom to certain Colonies and Foreign Countries, such additional fees as shall be fixed by lawful authority in England, and published in the "New Zealand Government Gazette."

7. Loose Letters :—

This class of Letters to be charged according to two different rates :—

1st. Those which it is compulsory by law to send by post.

2nd. Those which it is not compulsory so to send.

The first class will bear a charge according to the postage rates established by the above tables.

The second class will be a uniform charge of two pence per $\frac{1}{2}$ ounce.

Newspapers.

1. Posted in New Zealand for any other part of the Colony; published in the Colony and posted within seven days from the date of Publication Free.

Not published in the Colony, or not posted within seven days from the date of publication, (each prepaid) Id

2. To England, via Southampton, or by ship direct Free.
To England, via Marseilles (each) 3d

3. For transmission to the Continent of Europe, via Trieste (each) .. 2d

4. Forwarded, via the United Kingdom to other Colonies and Foreign Countries. Such rates, in addition to those specified in section 2, as shall from time to time be fixed by lawful authority in England, and published in the "New Zealand Government Gazette."

5. For Jerusalem, Baghdad, &c., via Alexandria and Jaffa :—

Not exceeding two ounces.. .. 1d

And so on, one penny for every two ounces.

Book Packets.

From one part of the Colony to another, or to the United Kingdom, via Southampton:

Packet not exceeding four ounces in weight 4d

Exceeding 4 ounces and not exceeding eight ounces 8d

Exceeding 8 ounces and not exceeding one pound 1s 4d

And so on, increasing eight pence for every additional half-pound or fraction of half-a-pound.

Order in Council constituting a Warden's Court for the Gold Field, Province of Nelson.

AT THE GOVERNMENT HOUSE AT AUCKLAND,
This 29th day of December.

Present:—

His Excellency the Governor in Council.

WHEREAS by an Act of the General Assembly of New Zealand, intituled, the "Gold Fields Act, 1858," it is enacted that it shall be lawful for the Governor, by Order in Council, from time to time, to constitute for any Gold Field or for any part thereof, Wardens Courts, for the administration of Justice therein, and to appoint Wardens as Judges of such Courts, with power to act alone, or with Assessors or Juries, and in such manner and to exercise all or any of the powers thereafter mentioned as the Governor shall think fit to direct:

Now, therefore, His Excellency the Governor in pursuance and exercise of the said power and authority, doth hereby, with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of New Zealand, order that a Warden's Court shall be, and the same is hereby constituted and established for the Gold Field in the Province of Nelson, constituted by a Proclamation issued the fourth day of October, One thousand eight hundred and fifty-nine, and doth appoint

JAMES MACKAY, the younger, ESQUIRE, a Resident Magistrate, to be the Judge of such Court, with power to act alone, or with Assessors or Juries, and to exercise all the powers by the said Act, conferred on Warden's Courts, subject nevertheless to such rules for regulating the procedure and practice therein, as shall from time to time be made by the Governor in Council in pursuance of the said Act.

F. G. STEWARD,
Clerk of Executive Council.

Order in Council making Regulations under which the services of Volunteers shall be accepted in the Dunedin District.

AT THE GOVERNMENT HOUSE AT AUCKLAND,
This 29th day of December.

Present:

His Excellency the Governor in Council.

WHEREAS by an Act of the General Assembly of New Zealand, intituled, "The Militia Act, 1858," it is enacted that it shall be lawful for the Governor in Council from time to time, to make, vary, and abolish Regulations under which the services of Volunteers shall be accepted in any Militia district: Now, therefore, His Excellency the Governor, by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of the Colony, and in the exercise of the powers in this behalf vested in him by the said recited Act, doth hereby make and ordain the following Regulations under which the services of Volunteers shall be accepted in the District of Dunedin.

REGULATIONS.

1. The term of service for each Volunteer to be one year from the day his services are, or in the case of Volunteers already enrolled were, accepted. Provided always that if any Volunteer shall go to reside out of the District, he shall, if he desire, be discharged from further service as a Volunteer.

2. Every Volunteer shall attend to be trained and exercised at such times as shall be appointed by the Governor, or by such person or persons as he may from time to time authorise in that behalf: Provided always that no Volunteer shall be compelled to attend more than one hundred and sixty-eight hours in any one year.

3. Every Volunteer who shall absent himself during any part of the time appointed for training or exercise, and shall not account for such absence to the satisfaction of the Adjutant and the Captain of his Company, shall forfeit and pay any sum not exceeding one pound for every day on which he shall be so absent to be recovered in a summary way.

4. All Officers of Companies will be appointed by the Governor, and names for that purpose are to be submitted to him for his approval, by the Company to which they are proposed to be appointed.

5. The Adjutant and Staff Sergeant of the Regiment or Battalion of Militia of the District in which Volunteers are serving shall *ex officio* act as Adjutant and Sergeant of the Volunteers, and all Sergeants and Corporals must be examined and passed as competent by the Adjutant before they will be appointed.

6. All rolls, documents, and correspondence shall be kept at the office of the Adjutant, and shall be open at all times during office hours for the inspection and information of the Officers of the Company to which they relate.

7. All orders and communications from the Governor, or Government of the Colony, shall be given out by the Adjutant.

8. If any arms, accoutrements, or other Government property shall be injured or destroyed by being used except on service, a fine, not exceeding the value of the arms, accoutrements, or other property, shall be paid by the Volunteer in whose charge they were; such fine to be fixed by the Adjutant and the Captain of the Company, upon consideration of the circumstances, and if not paid to the Adjutant on demand, may be recovered by him on behalf of the Government in any Resident Magistrate's Court in the Colony.

9. Volunteers enrolled under these Regulations shall be subject to the provisions contained in the following sections of the "Militia Act, 1858," namely, sections 1, 3, 5, 6, 7, 9, 18, 19, 20, 21, (except the proviso thereto,) 22, and 24; and of sections nos. 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, and 15, of the "Militia Act Amendment Act, 1860."

F. G. STEWARD,
Clerk of Executive Council.

Order in Council making Regulations under which the services of Volunteers shall be accepted in the Invercargill District.

AT THE GOVERNMENT HOUSE, AT AUCKLAND,
This 29th day of December.

Present :

His Excellency the Governor in Council.

WHEREAS by an Act of the General Assembly of New Zealand, intituled, "The Militia Act, 1858," it is enacted that it shall be lawful for the Governor in Council from time to time to make, vary, and abolish Regulations under which the services of Volunteers shall be accepted in any Militia District: Now, therefore, His Excellency the Governor, by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of the Colony and in exercise of the powers in this behalf vested in him by the said recited Act doth hereby make and ordain the following Regulations, under which the services of Volunteers shall be accepted in the District of Invercargill.

REGULATIONS.

1. The term of service for each Volunteer to be one year from the day his services are, or in the case of Volunteers already enrolled were, accepted: Provided always that if any Volunteer shall go to reside out of the District, he shall, if he desire, be discharged from further service as a Volunteer.

2. Every Volunteer shall attend to be trained and exercised at such times as shall be appointed by the Governor, or by such person or persons as he may from time to time authorise in that behalf: Provided always that no Volunteer shall be compelled to attend more than one hundred and sixty-eight hours in any one year.

3. Every Volunteer who shall absent himself during any part of the time appointed for training or exercise, and shall not account for such absence to the satisfaction of the Adjutant and the Captain of his Company, shall forfeit and pay any sum not exceeding one pound for every day on which he shall be so absent, to be recovered in a summary way.

4. All Officers of Companies will be appointed by the Governor, and names for that purpose are to be submitted to him for his approval, by the Company to which they are proposed to be appointed.

5. The Adjutant and Staff Sergeant of the Regiment or Battalion of Militia of the District in which Volunteers are serving shall *ex officio* act as Adjutant and Sergeant of the Volunteers, and all Sergeants and Corporals must be examined and passed as competent by the Adjutant before they will be appointed.

6. All rolls, documents, and correspondence shall be kept at the office of the Adjutant, and shall be open at all times during office hours for the inspection and information of the Officers of the Company to which they relate.

7. All orders and communications from the Governor, or Government of the Colony, shall be given out by the Adjutant.

8. If any arms, accoutrements, or other Government property shall be injured or destroyed by being used except on service, a fine, not exceeding the value of the arms, accoutrements, or other property, shall be paid by the Volunteer in whose charge they were; such fine to be fixed by the Adjutant and the Captain of the Company, upon consideration of the circumstances, and if not paid to the Adjutant on demand, may be recovered by him on behalf of the Government in any Resident Magistrate's Court in the Colony.

9. Volunteers enrolled under these Regulations shall be subject to the provisions contained in the following sections of the "Militia Act, 1858," namely, sections 1, 3, 5, 6, 7, 9, 18, 19, 20, 21, (except the proviso thereto), 23, and 24; and of sections Nos. 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, and 15, of the "Militia Act Amendment Act, 1860."

F. G. STEWARD,
Clerk of Executive Council.

Warrant appointing Polling Places.

By His Excellency Colonel THOMAS GORE BROWNE, Companion of the Most Honorable Order of the Bath, Governor and Commander-in-Chief in and over Her Majesty's Colony of New Zealand and its Dependencies, and Vice-Admiral of the same, &c., &c., &c.

TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS SHALL COME GREETING :

WHEREAS by "The Regulation of Elections Act, 1858," it is enacted that it shall be lawful for the Governor by warrant under his hand from time to time to appoint Polling Places for each Electoral District within or without the limits thereof, and to appoint any one of such places to be the Principal Polling Place for the District, and all or any of such Polling Places at any time to abolish and to appoint other Polling Places in lieu thereof:

NOW KNOW YE, that I, the Governor of New Zealand, in pursuance of the power and authority in me vested by the said Act, do hereby appoint the following places to be Polling Places for the respective Electoral Districts hereinafter specified as constituted by the "Representation Act, 1860," for the election of Members of the House of Representatives, namely:—

Bay of Islands—

The Young Men's Association Room,
Waimate.

Parnell—

Part of a Brick Building adjoining Mr. Law's premises, Parnell.

Raglan—

The Resident Magistrate's Court House,
Raglan.

Collingwood—

Mr. George Taylor's house, Takaka.

Wairau—

The Literary Institution, Picton.

Mr. A. Richmond's Station, Richmond Brook, Awatere

Mr. Elliotts Station, Upcot, Fairfield Downs

Given under my hand at the Government House, at Auckland, this second day of January, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-one.

T. GORE BROWNE.

By His Excellency's command,
E. W. STAFFORD.

Warrant abolishing Polling Place.

By His Excellency Colonel THOMAS GORE BROWNE, Companion of the Most Honorable Order of the Bath, Governor and Commander-in-Chief in and over Her Majesty's Colony of New Zealand, and Vice-Admiral of the same, &c., &c., &c.

TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS SHALL COME GREETING:

WHEREAS by "The Regulation of Elections Act, 1858," it is enacted that it shall be lawful for the Governor, by Warrant under his hand, from time to time, to appoint Polling Places for each Electoral District within or without the limits thereof, and to appoint any one of such Places to be the Principal Polling Place for the District, and all or any of such Polling Places at any time to abolish, and to appoint other Polling Places in lieu thereof: AND WHEREAS by Warrant under the hand of the Governor bearing date the nineteenth day of November one thousand eight hundred and sixty,

Mr. Clarke's Station at Waimate,

was appointed a Polling Place for the Bay of Islands District for the election of Members of the House of Representatives. AND WHEREAS it is expedient to abolish the same.

NOW KNOW YE, that I, Thomas Gore Browne, the Governor of the said Colony, in pursuance of the power and authority in me vested by the said Act, do hereby abolish the above-named Polling Place for the Bay of Islands District for the election of members of the House of Representatives.

Given under my hand, at Government House, at Auckland, this second day of January, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-one.

T. GORE BROWNE.

By His Excellency's command,
E. W. STAFFORD.

Warrant giving effect to the "Foreign Seamen's Act, 1860," in respect of Ships of the United States of America.

IN exercise of the powers vested in me in that behalf by the "Foreign Seamen's Act, 1860," I, the Governor of New Zealand, do hereby notify that from and after the 1st day of February next, the provisions of the above mentioned Act will be enforced in respect of the Masters and Crews of ships belonging to the United States of America.

Given under my hand at Government House, at Auckland, this third day of January, 1861.

T. GORE BROWNE.

By His Excellency's command,
E. W. STAFFORD.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Auckland, 3rd January, 1861.

IT is hereby notified for general information that the firing for the Prizes voted by the Legislature of New Zealand, for the best shots amongst the Militia and Volunteer Forces, will take place simultaneously throughout each Militia District, on the 24th May next.

The best shot will receive the sum of £140, and a Champion Badge, which will be challengeable in each succeeding year.

The ranges for the firing will be 100 yards, 200 yards and 300 yards respectively. Should two or more persons score an equal number of points, the ties will be shot off at 400 yards.

E. W. STAFFORD.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Auckland, 3rd January, 1861.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to make the following appointment in the Militia,

Lieutenant JAMES ALEXANDER ANDERSON,
14th Regt., Instructor of Musketry,

to be Captain, unattached.

Date of Commission—1st January, 1861.

E. W. STAFFORD.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Auckland, 3rd January, 1861.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint

JOHN LOUDEN,

To be a Pilot at the Otago Heads.

E. W. STAFFORD.

