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Colonial Secretary's Office,
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THE following Despatch, with its enclosure, from Her Majesty's Principal Secretary of State for the Colonies is published for general information.

WILLIAM FOX.

Downing Street,
7th August, 1863.

SIR,—With reference to my Circular Despatch of the 29th July, 1861, I transmit to you herewith a series of enquiries which I have received from the Acclimatisation Society, and which at their request, I communicate to you with the hope that you will return such answers as you may be able to give on the various points of enquiry submitted so far as relates to the Colony under your Government.

I transmit at the same time, at the request of the Society, a copy of their Third Annual Report, together with a copy of the First Annual Report of the Acclimatisation Society of Victoria.

I have, &c.,
NEWCASTLE.

Governor Sir George Grey,
K.C.B., &c., &c., &c.

ACCLIMATISATION.

*Enquiries addressed to Her Majesty's Minister,
Governor, or Consul at*

The Gentlemen to whom these questions are addressed, are earnestly requested to consider the high importance which will be

attached to the answers which they may return, and the service which they will render to the cause of Acclimatisation by endeavouring to the utmost of their knowledge to make those answers as full and otherwise as satisfactory as possible.

The main purposes of Acclimatisation are to introduce, acclimatise, and propagate in the United Kingdom and its Dependencies such Animals, Birds, Fishes, Insects, and Vegetables as are likely to be of use or ornament, whether for domestication or for varying the common food of the people, or for manufacturing, or for any other useful purpose; and whose constitution and habits offer a reasonable prospect of successful cultivation. It is obvious that in India, Australia, Canada, the Cape, and other important Dependencies, unlimited scope is afforded for almost any variety of experiment.

It is confidently expected that the answers returned to these questions by Her Majesty's Ministers, Governors, and Consuls in different parts of the world, will bring together a mass of information on this interesting and highly important branch of knowledge such as never has been collected before, and the benefit which these Gentlemen will thus confer upon their fellow-countrymen will be in proportion to the fullness and exactness with which those answers are drawn up.

In replying to Questions 1, 2, 3, and 8, it is particularly requested that those special qualities which recommend the Quadrupeds, Birds, Fishes, and vegetables as fit for food or domestic utility may be described. As regards Quadrupeds, Birds and Fishes, it will be very desirable to collect all the informa-

tion which can be got as to the best modes of feeding, keeping, and rearing the same, and, as regards Vegetables, any information as to the best mode of cultivation.

A copy of the last Annual Report of the Acclimatisation Society of Great Britain accompanies this, and will serve to explain more completely the action and purposes of the Society.

1. *Question* :—Is there any Quadruped, indigenous or introduced to the Country in which you reside, which (having regard to the above definition of the objects in view) merits attention with a view to acclimatisation in Great Britain or any of its Dependencies? If there be any such, state whether it is attainable at a reasonable rate, and whether it is likely to bear the risk of transport?

Answer :—

2. *Question* :—Is there any such Bird?

Answer :—

3. *Question* :—Is there any such Fish?

Answer :—

4. *Question* :—Is there any such Insect?

Answer :—

5. *Question* :—Is there any such Timber Tree?

Answer :—

6. *Question* :—Is there any such Medicinal Plant?

Answer :—

7. *Question* :—Is there any Fibrous Plant likely to be useful for manufacturing purposes?

Answer :—

8. *Question* :—Is there any Vegetable suitable for the food of man, or for forage, or for any other useful purpose?

Answer :—

9. *Question* :—Do you know any Quadruped, Bird, Fish, Insect, Tree, or Plant, existing elsewhere, the introduction of which to the Country in which you reside would be likely to be beneficial; one of the objects of the Acclimatisation Society being to reciprocate the benefits which it receives from other countries?

Answer :—

10. *Question* :—Does any organization exist, or could it be easily called into existence, capable of undertaking the task of introduction?

Answer :—

Any Remarks founded upon special knowledge or local information, capable of being made useful to the progress of Acclimatisation will be desirable.

Colonial Defence Office,
Auckland, 4th November, 1863.

HIS Excellency the Governor directs the publication of the following Despatch from Lieutenant-General Cameron, C.B.

T. RUSSELL.

Head Quarters, Queen's Redoubt,

4th November, 1863.

SIR,—I have the honor to inform your Excellency that the day following the arrival here of the "Pioneer," being occupied in clearing her of stores, &c., and in landing two 40-pounder Armstrong guns at Whangamarino, which were placed in position to command the landing-place at Meremere, I proceeded on the 29th ultimo in the "Pioneer" with Commodore Sir William Wiseman, and was enabled to make a more complete reconnaissance than before of the enemy's works. They occupied them strongly on this occasion, and fired several rounds at the steamer from three guns which they had in position. I found that the difficulty of landing Troops rapidly for an attack, and the resistance to be expected from the nature of the defences had not been overestimated, which induced me to make a further reconnaissance higher up the river, with the view of selecting some point at which a force could be landed to turn the enemy's position while his attention was occupied in front by the Steamer and Gunboats. I therefore proceeded again on the 31st up the river in the "Pioneer" with Sir William Wiseman as far as Rangariri, and having observed a point favorable for landing about six miles above Meremere, I arranged with the Commodore to embark the same night the force shewn in the margin*, with two 12-pounder Armstrong guns. The "Pioneer" and "Avon," with the four gunboats in tow, got under weigh at half past two o'clock on the morning of the 31st, and reached the point fixed for the landing about six o'clock. No attempt was made to oppose the troops, who took up a commanding position about four hundred yards from the bank of the river. As I proposed bringing up an additional force on the following night, I ordered a breastwork to be constructed for the protection of the camp, which I left under the command of Colonel Mould, C.B.

During the afternoon of the 1st, whilst the necessary preparations were in progress for the conveyance of the remaining part of the force, the officer in command at Whangamarino reported that the Natives were escaping in canoes up the Whangamarino and Maramarua rivers. I embarked at once in the "Pioneer," with 250 men of the 12th and 14th Regiments from the Koheroa, and on reaching Meremere it was evident the enemy had abandoned his position. A party of 250 seamen, under Commander Mayne, R.N., and the detachments from the Koheroa, under the command of Colonel Austen, 2B. 14th Regiment, landed on the position, and were ordered to hold the ground during the night, which was occupied the following day by detachments of the 12th, 14th, 18th, and 70th

	F.O.	Cap.	Sub.	Staff.	Serg.	Drs.	Rk & File.
*Royal Artillery.	—	1	1	—	—	—	41
Royal Engineers.	1	1	—	—	—	—	9
40th Regiment.	1	2	5	1	10	5	232
65th Regiment.	1	1	5	1	11	4	230
Total	3	5	11	2	21	9	612

Regiments, amounting to about 500 men, who are employed in throwing up a redoubt there.

The steamer "Pioneer" left this about ten a.m. on the 2nd for the purpose of communicating with the camp at Takupetohetohe, and ascertained that about three o'clock on the morning of the 1st a small body of Natives fired upon the camp, inflicting no loss, and making off as soon as the guns were turned upon them.

I am greatly indebted for the success of the operations described above, to the cordial co-operation of Commodore Sir William Wiseman, and to the indefatigable exertions of the officers under his command.

I have, &c.,

D. A. CAMERON,
Lieut.-General.

Governor Sir George Grey,
K.C.B. &c., &c., &c.,

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Auckland, 3rd November, 1863.

ENQUIRIES having been made respecting a person named ALGERNON MASENBERG, a native of Kent, who emigrated to New South Wales ten years ago, and is now supposed to be in New Zealand, it is requested that any one who may have any knowledge of the person in question, will communicate with this office.

By command,

W. GISBORNE,
Under-Secretary.

Justice of the Peace appointed.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Judicial Department,
Auckland, 29th October, 1863.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint

WILLIAM JARVIS WILLIS, Esq.,

in the Province of Wellington, to be a Justice of the Peace for the Colony of New Zealand. The appointment bears date from the 5th instant.

ALFRED DOMETT.

W. J. Willis Esq., J.P., appointed R.M.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Judicial Department,
Auckland, 29th October, 1863.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint

WILLIAM JARVIS WILLIS, Esq., J.P.,
in the Province of Wellington, to be a Resident Magistrate. The appointment bears date from the 5th instant.

ALFRED DOMETT.

MILITIA AND VOLUNTEERS.

Colonial Defence Office,
Auckland, 6th November, 1863.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to make the following appointments, viz.:—

In the Auckland Militia.

Captain and Adjutant Michael Tighe, to be Major. Date of Commission—28th October, 1863.

Captain John Henry Herbert St. John, to be Major. Date of Commission—29th October, 1863.

Captain William Moule, to be Major. Date of Commission—30th October, 1863.

Frederick Nelson George, to be Captain. Date of Commission—27th October, 1863.

Lieutenant William Fraser, to be Captain, *vice* St. John, promoted. Date of Commission—5th November, 1863.

Ensign James Innes Lynch, to be Lieutenant. Date of Commission—26th October, 1863.

Ensign James Henry Moore Carpenter, to be Lieutenant. Date of Commission—27th October, 1863.

Edward Daniel Lawrence, to be Lieutenant. Date of Commission—28th October, 1863.

James Franklyn, to be Lieutenant. Date of Commission—29th October, 1863.

Gustav Hensen, to be Lieutenant. Date of Commission—30th October, 1863.

Ensign Cholwell Dean Pitt, to be Lieutenant, *vice* Norman, killed in action. Date of Commission—5th November, 1863.

Ensign Henry Boyle Hunter, to be Lieutenant, *vice* Perceval, killed in action. Date of Commission—6th November, 1863.

Andrew Burnes, to be Ensign. Date of Commission—26th October, 1863.

Frederick Gascoigne, to be Ensign. Date of Commission—27th October, 1863.

George Bell, to be Ensign. Date of Commission—28th October, 1863.

Eugene Henry Muller, to be Ensign. Date of Commission—29th October, 1863.

John Sinete Whyte, to be Ensign. Date of Commission—30th October, 1863.

Andrew Macpherson, to be Ensign. Date of Commission—31st October, 1863.

Henry Wilson, to be Ensign. Date of Commission—2nd November, 1863.

Francis Joseph Wardell, to be Ensign. Date of Commission—3rd November, 1863.

Herbert Fitzwilliam Way, to be Ensign. Date of Commission—4th November, 1863.

George Scrymson Nichol, to be Ensign. Date of Commission—5th November, 1863.

John Brown, to be Ensign. Date of Commission—6th November, 1863.

William Montague Hall Welby, to be Assistant-Surgeon. Date of Commission—30th October, 1863.

James Davis, to be Quarter-Master. Date of Commission—30th October, 1863.

In the Marlborough Militia.

Courtenay William Aylmer Thomas Kenny, to be Captain. Date of Commission—30th October, 1863.

In the "Marlborough Rangers" Volunteers.

Ensign Thomas George Baillie, to be Lieutenant. Date of Commission—6th November, 1863.

In the Napier Militia.

Lieutenant Azin Salvator Birch, to be Captain. Date of Commission—15th October, 1863.

In the Nelson Militia.

William Norris Franklyn, to be Lieutenant. Date of Commission—21st October, 1863.

In the Wanganui Militia.

Lieutenant Alfred Ross, to be Captain and Adjutant. Date of Commission—28th October, 1863.

James D. Hewitt, to be Ensign. Date of Commission—28th October, 1863.

In the "Howick Troop," Royal Cavalry Volunteers.

Lieutenant Every MacLean, to be Captain. Date of Commission—26th October, 1863.

Cornet David Hutchison, to be Lieutenant. Date of Commission—26th October, 1863.

Charles Roberts, to be Cornet. Date of Commission—26th October, 1863.

In the "Wairarapa" Cavalry Volunteers.

W. Hodgson Donald, to be Captain. Date of Commission—26th October, 1863.

Thomas Collins, to be Lieutenant. Date of Commission—26th October, 1863.

C. J. Chalmers, to be Cornet. Date of Commission—26th August, 1863.

T. RUSSELL.

Colonial Defence Office,
Auckland, 6th November, 1863.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to accept the following resignations, viz. :—

Lieutenant James Franklyn, of the Nelson Volunteers.

Ensign Joseph L. Vercoe, of the "North Head" Rifle Volunteers.

Lieutenant Bedford Sheriff, of the "Prince of Wales Company" Wanganui Rifle Volunteers.

Lieutenant Burton Boys, of the "Caterton" Rifle Volunteers.

Captain J. L. Carter, of the Napier Militia.

Assistant-Surgeon R. G. C. Spence, of the Colonial Defence Force.

T. RUSSELL.

ERRATUM.

IN the *Gazette*, No. 43, of the 27th August last, folio 360, the name of Lieutenant Callaghan, unattached, New Zealand Militia, should be "William George Pring O'Callaghan."

T. RUSSELL.

Colonial Defence Office,
Auckland, 6th November, 1863.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to make the following appointment under the "Colonial Defence Force Act, 1862," viz. :—

Assistant-Surgeon Clarence Hooper, of the Auckland Militia, to be Assistant-Surgeon. Date of Commission—24th October, 1863.

T. RUSSELL.

SUPREME COURT.

Supreme Court Office,
Auckland, 3rd November, 1863.

NOTICE is hereby given, that a Sitting of the Supreme Court, for the despatch of Criminal Business, will be holden at the Court House, Queen-street, Auckland, on **TUESDAY**, the first day of December next, at eleven o'clock in the forenoon; and that a Sitting for the despatch of Civil Business will be holden at the Court House, Queen-street, aforesaid, on **MONDAY**, the seventh day of December next, at eleven o'clock in the forenoon, at which times and place all persons under recognizance to appear as Prosecutors, Defendants, or Witnesses, are required to give their attendance.

THOMAS OUTHWAITE,
Registrar.

STATEMENT OF THE AMOUNT OF THE LIABILITIES AND ASSETS OF THE UNION BANK OF AUSTRALIA, WITHIN THE COLONY OF NEW ZEALAND, DURING
THE QUARTER ENDING 30TH SEPTEMBER, 1863.

LIABILITIES.				ASSETS.									
				£	s.	d.							
Notes in Circulation	...	...	...	164,683	11	5	Coined Gold and Silver and other Coined Metals...	309,376	14	9
Bills in Circulation	...	...	...	38,413	0	9	Gold and Silver in Bullion or Bars	12,888	5	3
Balances due to other Banks	...	...	...				Notes and Bills of other Banks	1,653	14	6
Government Deposits	...	...	...	29,441	2	0	Balances due from other Banks	14,770	2	6
Other Deposits	{	Not Bearing Interest	...	560,138	14	8	Landed Property	17,458	5	7			
		Bearing Interest	...	151,524	8	9	Amount of all other Securities—						
							1. Notes and Bills Discounted	673,330	4	5			
							2. Colonial Government Securities	...					
							3. Other Funded Securities...	...					
							4. Debts due to the Bank (exclusive of Debts abandoned as bad)	286,962	16	0			
							5. Securities not included under the above head	8,924	13	6			
Total Average Liabilities				£ 944,200	17	7	Total Average Assets				1,325,364	16	6

Amount of the Capital Stock paid up at the close of the Quarter ended 30th June, 1863	1,000,000	0	0	Sterling.
Rate of the last Dividend declared to the Shareholders	16	0	0	Per Cent. per Annum.
Amount of the last Dividend declared	80,000	0	0	
Amount of the Reserved Profits at the time of declaring such Dividends...	288,871	8	11	

Dated at Auckland this 20th day of October, 1863.

JOHN SIMPSON,
Assistant Inspector.
J. HOWARD,
Acting Accountant.

STATEMENT OF THE AVERAGE AMOUNT OF THE LIABILITIES AND ASSETS OF THE BANK OF NEW SOUTH WALES, IN NEW ZEALAND, DURING THE QUARTER ENDED 28TH SEPTEMBER, 1863.

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THE NEW ZEALAND GAZETTE.

LIABILITIES.				ASSETS.			
	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
Notes in Circulation	219,048	19	11	Coined Gold and Silver and other Coined Metal...	165,959	3	10
Bills in Circulation	966	0	6	Gold and Silver in Bullion or Bars	9,026	17	7
Balances due to other Banks	18,119	13	1	Notes and Bills of other Banks	1,241	4	10
Government Deposits				Balances due from other Banks	2,701	18	1
Other Deposits { Not bearing Interest	371,154	1	9	Landed Property	3,517	1	6
{ Bearing Interest	122,940	0	0	Amount of all other Securities—			
				1. Notes and Bills Discounted	504,981	3	9
				2. Colonial Government Securities	45,785	15	0
				3. Other Funded Securities			
				4. Debts due to the Bank (exclusive of Debts abandoned as bad)	218,497	8	0
				5. Securities not included under the above heads	154,188	17	8
Total Average Liabilities	£ 732,228	15	3	Total average Assets	1,105,899	10	3

	£	s.	d.	
Amount of the Capital Stock paid up at the close of the Quarter ended 28th September, 1862 ...	750,000	0	0	
Rate of the last Dividend declared to the Shareholders, 15 per cent Bonus, =		20	0	Per Cent. per Annum.
Amount of last Dividend declared	75,000	0	0	
Amount of the Reserved Profits at the time of declaring such Dividend	328,128	0	0	

Dated at Auckland this 26th day of October, 1863.

JOHN GREEN,
Inspector.

JAS. STIRLING,
Accountant.

STATEMENT OF THE AVERAGE AMOUNT OF LIABILITIES AND ASSETS OF THE BANK OF NEW ZEALAND, WITHIN THE COLONY, DURING THE QUARTER ENDED 30TH SEPTEMBER, 1863.

LIABILITIES.				ASSETS.									
				£	s.	d.							
				£	s.	d.							
Notes in Circulation ...	...	...	...	272,483	4	8	Coined Gold and Silver, and other Coined Metal ...	269,577	8	3			
Bills in Circulation ...	...	...	...	23,885	11	9	Gold and Silver in Bullion or Bars ...	32,062	9	10			
Balances due to other Banks ...	...	...	...	117,418	9	2	Notes and Bills of other Banks ...	8,710	12	8			
Government Deposits ...	...	...	...	220,510	19	8	Balances due from other Banks ...	17,678	7	9			
Other Deposits {	Not bearing Interest	...	...	560,306	0	2	Landed Property ...	16,943	2	0			
				Bearing Interest	155,152	7	2	Amount of all other Securities			
							1. Notes and Bills discounted ...	738,565	2	8			
							2. Colonial Government Securities ...	79,230	15	5			
							3. Other Funded Securities ...						
							4. Debts due to the Bank (exclusive of Debts abandoned as bad) ...	372,826	0	1			
							5. Securities not included under the above heads ...	81,321	12	5			
Total Average Liabilities ...				£1,349,756	12	7	Total Average Assets ...				£1,616,915	11	1

Amount of the Capital Stock paid up at the close of the Quarter ended 30th September, 1863 ...	£	s.	6d.
	249,373	0	0
Rate of the last Dividend declared to the Shareholders ...		10	0 per cent. per annum
Amount of the last Dividend declared ...	12,468	13	0
Amount of the Reserved Profits at the time of declaring such Dividend ...	74,192	13	6

Dated at Auckland, this thirty-first day of October, 1863.

A. KENNEDY,
General Manager.
HENRY B. MACNAB,
Chief Accountant.

New Zealand Company's Land Claimants' Office,
Wellington, 22nd October, 1863.

I, DAVID LEWIS, a Commissioner duly appointed by virtue of the Ordinance No. 15, Session XI. of the Legislative Council of the Islands of New Zealand, to hear and decide Claims to Land by persons claiming title thereto from, through, or under the New Zealand Company, report that the Claims of the undermentioned persons having been duly referred to me for investigation, I do hereby decide that the said persons are respectively entitled to Crown Grants of the Land set against their name in the annexed Schedule.

DAVID LEWIS,
Commissioner.

SCHEDULE.

No. of Claim.	No. of Report.	Name of Claimant. *	Commissioner's Decision.
1,312	1,483	John Kilmester	Entitled to a grant of part of Rural Section No. 30, in the Karori District; being the portion between the boundary of John Diamond's land and Section No. 1, Kaiwara District.
1,313	1,457	Dugald Cameron	Entitled to a grant of part of Rural Section No. 3, Harbour District.
1,314	1,558	Samuel Duncan Parnell	Entitled to a grant of ten acres or thereabouts, being Lots 6 and 10 of the subdivision of Rural Section No. 36, Karori District.
1,315	1,344	Robert Donald... ..	Entitled to a grant of five acres or thereabouts, being Lot 14 of the sub-division of Rural Section No. 36, Karori District.
1,316	1,564	John Pimble	Entitled to a grant of twenty-eight acres, more or less, part of Rural Section No. 32, Karori District.
1,317	1,547	Elizabeth Barr... ..	Entitled to a grant of Section No. 325, on the plan of the City of Wellington, and of Rural Section No. 21, Makara District.
1,318	1,399	John Jones... ..	Entitled to a grant of fifty acres, more or less, part of Rural Section No. 31, on the right bank of the Whanganui River.
1,319	1,607	Joseph Lambert	Entitled to a grant of about sixteen perches, part of Section No. 102, on the plan of the City of Wellington.
1,320	1,610	James Wallace... ..	Entitled to a grant of Rural Section No. 6, Ohariu District.
1,321	1,379 1,401 1,405 1,611	John Howard Wallace	Entitled to grants of the following Sections, numbered 828, 831, 869, 880, 941, 965, and 970, on the plan of the City of Wellington, subject to a direction of the Commissioner.

Colonial Defence Office,
Auckland, 27th October, 1863.

THE following Returns are published for general information.

T. RUSSELL.

NEW ZEALAND GOVERNMENT PRIZES.

NAMES OF SUCCESSFUL COMPETITORS.

Prize.	Name.	Corps.	Station.	Points.	
1	£ s. 50 0 And Ch. Belt.	Private N. G. Morse	Nelson Rifle Volunteers	Nelson	41
2	35 0	Captain D. Porter	Victoria Comp. Wanganui R. V.	Wanganui	39
3	30 0	Corpl. W. Armstrong	Ditto ditto	Ditto	39
4	25 0	Private W. Hay	Auckland Rifle Volunteers	Auckland	38
5	20 0	Sergeant F. Parkes	Victoria Comp. Wanganui R. V.	Wanganui	37
6	17 10	Private T. Humphries	Taranaki Rifle Volunteers	Taranaki	36
7	17 10	Private W. Neale	Marlborough Rangers	Picton	36
8	15 0	Private J. Cathro'	Victoria Comp. Wanganui R. V.	Wanganui	36
9	15 0	Ensign J. Peake	Ditto ditto	Ditto	36
10	12 10	Ensign D. Slater	Nelson Rifle Volunteers	Nelson	35
11	12 10	Private Jas. Tomlinson	Ditto ditto	Ditto	35
12	10 0	Private A. Baigent	Ditto ditto	Ditto	34
13	10 0	Lieut. W. B. Messenger	Taranaki Militia	Taranaki	34
14	10 0	Private W. Morrison	Nelson Rifle Volunteers	Nelson	33
15	10 0	Private E. McGowan	Ditto ditto	Ditto	32
16	7 10	Private G. Clark	Ditto ditto	Ditto	32
17	7 10	Private P. Allen	Taranaki Rifle Volunteers	Taranaki	32
18	5 0	Private W. Finnimore	Victoria Comp. Wanganui R. V.	Wanganui	32
19	5 0	Private H. Tomlinson	Nelson Rifle Volunteers	Nelson	32
20	5 0	Sergeant R. Gray	Victoria Comp. Wanganui R. V.	Wanganui	32

Ranges—300, 400, and 500 yards ; five shots at each range ; double target.

Highest possible score—60 points and hits.

H. C. BALNEAVIS, Lt.-Col.,
Deputy Adjutant General
of Militia and Volunteers.

Militia and Volunteer Office,
Auckland, 27th October, 1863.

TIES.

FIRED OFF AT 500 YARDS, 5 SHOTS, DOUBLE TARGET.

AT 39 POINTS.

Name.	Station.	Misses.	Hits.
Captain D. Porter	Wanganui	1	4
Corporal W. Armstrong	Ditto	3	2

AT 36 POINTS.

Name.	Station.	Misses.	Hits.
Private T. Humphries	Taranaki	1	4
Private W. Neale	Picton	3	2
Private J. Cathro	Wanganui	4	1
Ensign J. Peake	Ditto	Declines to fire off ties.	

AT 35 POINTS.

Name.	Station.	Misses.	Hits.	Result in Inches from Centre of Bull's Eye.
Ensign D. Slater	Nelson	4	1	19
Private Jas. Tomlinson	Ditto	4	1	26½

AT 34 POINTS.

Name.	Station.	Misses.	Hits.
Private A. Baigent	Nelson	2	3
Lieutenant W. B. Messenger	Taranaki	3	2

AT 32 POINTS.

Name.	Station.	Misses.	Hits.	Result in Inches from Centre of Bull's Eye.
Private E. McGowan	Nelson	—	5	—
Private G. Clark	Ditto	2	3	51½
Private P. Allen	Taranaki	2	3	56
Private W. Finnimore	Wanganui	3	2	41
Private H. Tomlinson	Nelson	3	2	52
Sergeant R. Gray	Wanganui	3	2	58¾
Corporal W. G. Tatton... ..	Taraanaki	4	1	—

HIGHEST SCORE IN EACH PROVINCE OR DISTRICT.

Province of District.	Names.	Corps.	Score.		Total.
			Points.	Hits.	
Nelson	Priv. N. G. Morse	Nelson Rifle Volunteers	27	14	41
Wanganui	Capt. D. Porter	Wanganui ditto	26	13	39
Auckland... ..	Priv. Wm. Hay	Auckland ditto	25	13	38
Taranaki	Priv. T. Humphries	Taranaki ditto	24	12	36
Marlborough	Priv. W. Neal	Marlborough Rangers	24	12	36
Canterbury	Priv. Chas. Allison	Canterbury Rifle Volunts.	20	10	30
Otago	Priv. J. O. Meagher	Dunedin ditto	17	10	27
Wellington	Priv. —, Holmes	Wellington ditto	12	8	20

AVERAGE TWENTY BEST SHOTS IN EACH PROVINCE OR DISTRICT.

Province or District.	Points & Hits.	Average.	Remarks.
Nelson	631	31.55	12 Rifles and 8 Naval Volunteers.
Wanganui	585	29.25	
Taranaki	519	25.95	
Canterbury	391	19.55	
Auckland	375	18.75	
Marlborough	331	16.55	
Wellington	225	11.25	
Otago	—	—	Only 11 Competitors.

TOTAL NUMBER OF POINTS AND AVERAGE FOR EACH PROVINCE OR DISTRICT.

Province or District.	No. of Competitors.	Points & Hits.	Average.	Remarks.
Wanganui	29	712	24.55	
Nelson	122	2,493	20.43	
Otago	11	171	15.54	
Taranaki	54	830	15.37	
Auckland	26	399	15.34	
Canterbury	31	471	15.19	
Marlborough	29	345	11.89	
Wellington	37	292	7.89	Including Hutt
Napier	No Return			
Total—All New Zealand ...	339	5,713	16.85	

Militia and Volunteer Office,
Auckland, 27th October, 1863.

H. C. BALNEAVIS, Lt. Col.,
Deputy Adjutant General
of Militia and Volunteers.

N.B.—It is notified for general information that the ranges, number of shots, and time for firing for the Government Prizes next year, will be published at a future time.

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