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PROCLAMATION

Intimating Her Majesty's assent to a certain Bill passed by the General Assembly.

By His Excellency Sir GEORGE GREY, Knight Commander 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.

WHEREAS by an Act passed in the session of Parliament held in the fifteenth and sixteenth years of Her Majesty's reign, intituled "An Act to grant a Representative Constitution to the Colony of New Zealand," it is amongst other things enacted that no Bill which shall be reserved for the signification of Her Majesty's pleasure thereon shall have any force or authority within the Colony of New Zealand, until the Governor of the said Colony shall signify by speech or message to the Legislative Council and House of Representatives of the said Colony, or by Proclamation, that such Bill has been laid before Her Majesty in Council, and that Her Majesty has been pleased to assent to the same.

And whereas a certain Bill passed by the Legislative Council and House of Representatives of the said Colony, intituled "An Act to amend the Waste Land Regulations of the Province of Canterbury," was presented to the Governor of the said Colony for Her Majesty's assent, and the said Bill was reserved for the signification of Her Majesty's pleasure thereon:

Now therefore, I, the Governor of New Zealand, in pursuance of the provisions of the said in part recited Act, do by this Proclamation signify and proclaim to all whom it may concern that the said Bill has been laid before Her Majesty in Council, and that Her Majesty has been pleased to assent to the same.

Given under my hand, at the Government House, at Wellington, and issued under the Seal of the Colony of New Zealand, this twenty-third day of August, in the

year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixty-five.

G. GREY.

By His Excellency's command,
J. C. RICHMOND,
Colonial Secretary.

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN!

A PROCLAMATION

Postponing the extension of the Jurisdiction of the Resident Magistrate's Court at Dunedin, in the Province of Otago.

By His Excellency Sir GEORGE GREY, Knight Commander 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.

WHEREAS by "The Resident Magistrates' Jurisdiction Extension Act, 1862," it is enacted that every case of a claim for debt or damages such as might at the passing of the said Act be lawfully tried in a Resident Magistrate's Court, where the debt or damages claimed do not exceed the sum of twenty pounds, may be tried in any Resident Magistrate's Court with respect to which the said Act shall be in operation when the debt or damages claimed do not exceed fifty pounds; And it is provided that the Governor may, by proclamation in the *Government Gazette* of the Colony, declare that the limit of jurisdiction of any such Court shall be extended to one hundred pounds, and such limit of jurisdiction shall be in such cases extended accordingly.

And whereas by a Proclamation dated the first day of July, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixty-five, I, Sir George Grey, in pursuance of the said recited Act, and of an Order in Council dated the seventeenth day of December, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-two, authorizing the issue of Proclamation under the said Act, did proclaim and declare that the provisions of the said

recited Act, and especially the powers conferred by sections two and three thereof, should be exercised to the limit of jurisdiction of one hundred pounds in the Resident Magistrate's Court at Dunedin, in the Province of Otago; And I did further proclaim and declare that the said Proclamation should take effect on and from the first day of September, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-five.

And whereas it is expedient to postpone the operation of the said Proclamation:

Now therefore, I, Sir George Grey, the Governor of New Zealand, in pursuance of the said recited Act, and of the said Order in Council, do hereby proclaim and declare that the said recited Proclamation, except the clause relating to the date of the taking effect thereof, shall take effect on and from the first day of November, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-five, instead of on and from the first day of September, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-five, as therein specified.

Given under my hand, at the Government House, at Wellington, and issued under the Seal of the Colony, this twenty-third day of August, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixty-five.

G. GREY.

By His Excellency's command,

H. SEWELL.

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN!

Acts of the Assembly which Her Majesty will not be advised to disallow.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Wellington, 22nd August, 1865.

THE following Acts passed by the General Assembly of New Zealand in the session held in the twenty-eighth year of the reign of Her Majesty Queen Victoria, intituled—

“An Act to alter the duties of Customs;”

“An Act for enabling the Governor to carry into effect a Postal Service with Great Britain by way of Panama;”

having been laid before the Queen in conformity with the provisions of “The Constitution Act,” His Excellency the Governor has been informed by the Secretary of State that Her Majesty will not be advised to exercise Her power of disallowance with respect to those Acts.

J. C. RICHMOND.

Governor's assent withheld to Ordinance (Hawke's Bay.)

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Wellington, 22nd August, 1865.

THE following Bill passed by the Provincial Council of Hawke's Bay, intituled—

“Publicans' Licensing Amendment Ordinance;” which Bill was reserved for the signification of the Governor's pleasure thereon, having been laid before the Governor, His Excellency has been pleased to withhold his assent to the same.

J. C. RICHMOND.

Bills Assented to (Southland.)

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Wellington, 18th August, 1865.

THE following Bills passed by the Provincial Council of the Province of Southland, intituled—

“The Provincial Auditor and Deputy Auditor's salaries Ordinance, 1865;”

“Appropriation Ordinance, No. 4, 1865;”

“Licensing Ordinance 1865;”

which Bills were reserved for the signification of the Governor's pleasure thereon, having been laid before the Governor. His Excellency has been pleased to assent to the same.

J. C. RICHMOND.

Governor's Assent withheld from Bills (Southland.)

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Wellington, 19th August, 1865.

THE following Bills passed by the Provincial Council of the Province of Southland, intituled

“Police Ordinance, 1865;

“Church of England Cemetery Ordinance, 1865;”

which Bills were reserved for the signification of the Governor's pleasure thereon, having been laid before the Governor, His Excellency has been pleased to withhold his assent to the same.

J. C. RICHMOND.

Thomas Dick, Esq., elected Superintendent of the Province of Otago.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Wellington, 23rd August, 1865.

IT is hereby notified that a writ issued for the election of a Superintendent for the Province of Otago, has been returned with an endorsement to the effect that

THOMAS DICK, Esq.,

has been duly elected.

J. C. RICHMOND.

John Barleyman, Esq., appointed Deputy to Returning Officer for Wairau.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Wellington, 23rd August, 1865.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint

JOHN BARLEYMAN, Esq.,

to be Deputy to the Returning Officer for the election of Members of the House of Representatives, for the Electoral District of Wairau.

J. C. RICHMOND.

Letters of Registration granted in favour of John Daughlish.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Wellington, 22nd August, 1865.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to grant Letters of Registration, dated the eighteenth day of August, 1865, under “The Patents Act, 1860,” in favor of

JOHN DAUGLISH,

of Reading, England, Doctor of Medicine (who has previously obtained Letters Patent in the Colony of Victoria, dated the third day of February, 1865) for an invention entitled “Improvements in the manufacture of Aerated Bread, and in apparatus to be used in this manufacture;” with all the privileges thereto belonging.

J. C. RICHMOND.

Colonial Defence Office,
Wellington, 23rd August, 1865.

THE following report from Captain Fraser is published for general information.

H. A. ATKINSON.

Waiapu Pa, 3rd August, 1865.

SIR,—I have the honor to continue, for the information of the Hon. the Minister for Colonial Defence,

my report of the 24th ultimo, and as so much has happened in the interval, I trust I will be pardoned for being necessarily brief in this letter, especially as regards the movements of the friendly Natives, about whose doings Mr. Deighton writes more fully.

On the 28th ultimo there was a skirmish between the enemy and the friendly Natives at Kakariki, in which five of the enemy were killed, several wounded, and seven horses, 120 pigs, with potatoes and guns, taken from the enemy.

On the 29th ultimo, eight of our friendly Natives went out from here to surprise the enemy's sentries; this they managed to effect, killing two of them.

The 30th being Sunday, and the pa having become very dirty and uncomfortable from the long continued wet weather, I allowed the men to clean their whares, &c., and did not make any active demonstration.

On the 31st ultimo some of our Natives went out skirmishing on the "open plain,"—so marked on the accompanying rough sketch, kindly furnished by Mr. Deighton, and which will give the Government, some idea of the country and positions near our pa. I accordingly sent out Lieut. Biggs with some of his own men, to follow up and obtain a better knowledge of the ground than we had hitherto been able to do; at the same time I myself, accompanied by Mr. Deighton, made a demonstration with my own men against the hill marked "Sentry-hill," in order to distract the enemy's attention from the skirmishers on the plain. This succeeded to some extent, and the skirmishers were enabled to get close to the pa; but as the sentries on the hill, could not be dislodged without great risk, and it was no part of my plan to attack the pa on that day, I, about 4 p.m., ordered the men to retire, which Lieut. Biggs and his volunteers did admirably, under a very heavy fire from the enemy, but which fortunately did not inflict any loss upon us.

During the same day, some of our Natives (the rebels having occupied a deserted pa at Ti, belonging to the Chief Aropeta), went out to assist him in dislodging them from it; this they succeeded in doing, the enemy evacuating it in the night, and having had five of their number killed.

Tuesday, the 1st instant, was a bad day, and the Chief Te Mokena not wishing an attack, I waited until the weather cleared, which it fortunately did about evening; and having now arranged our plan of attack, we determined on making it the next day. Our plan was as follows:—I, with Mr. Deighton, Ensign Gascoigne, and thirty men of the Military Settlers, accompanied by the Chief Te Mokena, to proceed from our pa at 4:30 a.m., proceed as marked in the sketch, take Sentry-hill by surprise, and open fire as soon as it was light—Lieut. Biggs, Mr. Tuke, Mr. Hamlin, (interpreter), and thirty Volunteers, with the Chief Aropeta, and another party of Natives, to proceed from camp just before daylight, cross the river, and await our fire, keeping his men concealed meanwhile, before he should take up his final position, marked 3.

The above orders were carried out fully and accurately. The force under my command succeeded in occupying Sentry-hill without the enemy observing us, and Lieut. Biggs took up his position in the most steady and admirable manner.

At daybreak, I opened fire on the enemy from Sentry-hill, who immediately rushed to their trenches and returned it. Lieut. Biggs soon got to his final position, and opened fire from that flank, the Natives with him being stationed so as to cut off the enemy's retreat, Mr. Hamlin and six men accompanying them. In his advance, Lieut. Biggs's men here killed one Native. We continued keeping up a hot fire so as to

effectually prevent the enemy from blocking up a small entrance to their pa, which they had carelessly left open.

I now determined, as the enemy could not be dislodged from their trenches without a charge, to make one. I knew I could rely on the steadiness of my officers and men, and the result proved I was right. I crossed the river for the above purpose, the friendly Natives under Te Mokena keeping up a hot fire from their rifles to cover our advance, and formed my men up for the charge, under a heavy fire from the enemy, about sixty yards from the small entrance to the trenches; at the same time I signalled to Lieut. Biggs to charge on his flank, and we then took up the positions 3 and 5, as marked in the sketch—heading the charge myself, we rushed upon the enemy, four of our number were wounded in so doing, but none killed; and as I was first in the pa, I had a narrow escape. But the moment the men carried the pa, there was no longer any doubt of our victory—the bayonet and rifle soon did their work, and the pa was ours. The enemy asked for no mercy, and evidently expected none. The killed in the pa amounted to twenty-two. Three more dead bodies were found and buried next day near it. We took prisoners, seven women.

I immediately destroyed their pa in every way, cutting down their flagstaff, burning their whares, and levelling their fences. An immense quantity of kumeras, potatoes, and wheat, with several head of cattle, horses, &c., besides all the cattle and sheep belonging to the Chief Te Mokena, were found in or near their pa, and taken by us.

I beg to subjoin for the information of the Government the list of wounded on our side, and that of dead on the side of the rebels, with their names as far as can be ascertained.

The whole fight from the time of my first opening fire, until our charge was made, took only five-and-twenty minutes, and by 8:30 a.m. every man of ours had returned to this pa.

I should not be doing justice to the force under my command, did I not request the attention of the Government to the bravery and good conduct displayed by them on this and former occasions, and in bringing under the favorable consideration of the Hon. the Minister for Colonial Defence, the names of all the officers engaged.

Lieut. Biggs displayed so many admirable qualities and has rendered me such valuable assistance as Adjutant, that I beg to recommend him for promotion to the rank of Captain.

Of Ensign Gascoigne's and Mr. Tuke's services, I cannot speak too highly, and I trust the Government will regard their services favorably.

I cannot however close this Despatch without mentioning, how much valuable assistance Mr. Deighton has given me ever since my arrival, and how very much our successes have been due to his counsel and advice. By his skilful management of the Natives, I entirely attribute the goodwill prevailing between us and them.

The Chief Te Mokena has given us every assistance in his power, and has uniformly shown us great kindness. I trust the Government will be good enough to remember him.

I have only to add, that my life was saved on entering the pa by Private Welfitt, of the Military Settlers, who bayoneted a Native, who, my attention being distracted at the time, was about to tomahawk me. I beg to bring his name under the notice of Government.

I have, &c.,

JAMES FRASER,

Captain commanding Local Forces, Waiapu.

14th August, 1865.

SIR,—I am compelled by want of paper, to continue my report of the 3rd instant here, and therefore beg to inform you that on the 3rd August some of our natives in searching in the scrub, found a party of fourteen women and two men, who had fled from the pa. They accordingly made prisoners of them, and Mr. Deighton purposes taking the two male prisoners with him to Napier.

The Chief, Te Mokena has since the taking of the pa, been out in the bush, with a large body of men, harassing the enemy, and has killed five of them, besides taking a number of prisoners, who are yet to come in, and some flags, guns, horses, &c.

Mr. Deighton, who proceeds to Napier by the "St. Kilda," will doubtless give all the information on the above points to Mr. McLean.

I trust our successes, slight as they have been, will be approved of by the Government.

I have, &c.,

JAMES FRASER,

Captain commanding Local Forces, Waiapu.

Enclosure.

Ascertained Total of Hau Haus killed from the commencement	...	...	...	87
Wounded	...	...	...	33
Prisoners made	...	...	...	5
ditto wounded	...	...	...	42
Total of friendly Natives killed	...	...	...	15
Do. do. wounded	...	...	...	14
The only casualties on the part of the Europeans are, wounded	...	...	...	10
To Captain J. Holt, Under Secretary, Wellington.				

Colonial Defence Office,
Wellington, 24th August, 1865.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to accept the resignations of the Commissions held by the undermentioned Officers, viz. :—

Ensign JOHN ROCKETT,

Rangitikei Rifle Volunteers ;

Sub-Inspector CHARLES JAMES WILSON,

Colonial Defence Force, Auckland.

H. A. ATKINSON.

Office of Registrar of Joint Stock Companies,
Dunedin, 11th August, 1865.

I, ALFRED WILLIAM SMITH, Registrar of Joint Stock Companies for the Provinces of

Otago and Southland, do hereby certify that I have registered a Memorandum of Association with Articles of Association annexed, establishing a Company with limited liability of the Shareholders therein entitled—

THE BLACKSTONE HILL WATER-RACE COMPANY,
(Limited),

the object for which the said Company is established being "the supply of water for mining purposes within the Upper Manuherikia District." And I hereby further notify that in pursuance of "The Joint Stock Companies Act, 1860," I have issued a Certificate of Incorporation of the said Company bearing date this Eleventh day of August, One thousand eight hundred and sixty-five.

A. W. SMITH,

Registrar of Joint Stock Companies for Otago and Southland.

Office of Registrar of Joint Stock Companies,
Dunedin, 20th July, 1865.

I, ALFRED WILLIAM SMITH, Registrar of Joint Stock Companies for the Provinces of Otago and Southland, do hereby certify that I have registered a Memorandum of Association with Articles of Association annexed, establishing a Company with limited liability of the Shareholders therein entitled—

THE HINDON QUARTZ-CRUSHING COMPANY,
(Limited),

the object for which the said Company is established being "the obtaining of Gold from Quartz by crushing." And I hereby further notify that in pursuance of "The Joint Stock Companies Act, 1860," I have issued a Certificate of Incorporation of the said Company bearing date this Twentieth day of July, One thousand eight hundred and sixty-five.

A. W. SMITH,

Registrar of Joint Stock Companies for Otago and Southland.

THE Swedish Government having determined to create a new Consulate for the Islands of New Zealand, merchants and others desirous of the appointment, are invited to make application to the Foreign Department, at Stockholm, within six months from the 28th March last. The Consul is to reside at Auckland, and the applications are to be forwarded in duplicate. His Swedish and Norwegian Majesty's Consulate at Melbourne, 3rd July, 1865.

J. B. WERE,
Consul.