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G. F. BOWEN, Governor.

A PROCLAMATION.

IN pursuance and exercise of the power and authority in me vested in this behalf by "The Resident Magistrates Act, 1867," I, Sir George Ferguson Bowen, the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, do hereby proclaim and declare that, from and after the first day of November next, the jurisdiction of the Resident Magistrates' Courts for the

CLUTHA DISTRICT, and
SOUTHLAND DISTRICT,

respectively, as the same are defined by Proclamation bearing date the thirtieth day of September, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-eight, shall be extended to Fifty Pounds.

Given under the hand of His Excellency Sir George Ferguson Bowen, Knight Grand Cross of the Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George, Governor and Commander-in-Chief in and over Her Majesty's Colony of New Zealand and its Dependencies, and Vice-Admiral of the same, at the Government House, at Wellington; and issued under the Public Seal of the said Colony, this second day of October, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixty-eight.

E. W. STAFFORD.

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN!

G. F. BOWEN, Governor.

WHEREAS by the one hundred and thirty-third section of an Act of the General Assembly of New Zealand, intituled "The Municipal Corporations Act, 1867," it is enacted that it shall be the duty of the Town Clerk of every borough, as soon as conveniently may be after every election of a Mayor for

such borough, to give notice to the Colonial Secretary for the time being of such election, and of the person elected; and it shall be lawful for the Governor, if he shall think fit, and if such person shall not then be a Justice of the Peace, by warrant under his hand published in the *New Zealand Gazette*, to appoint such person to be a Justice of the Peace for the Colony; and it is also thereby enacted that in every such appointment it shall be expressed that it is made under the one hundred and thirty-third section of the said Act; and it is further declared that such appointment shall continue in force only during the Mayoralty of such person, and the person so appointed shall not by virtue of such appointment be authorized to sit or act as a Justice of the Peace elsewhere than within the borough:

Now therefore I, Sir George Ferguson Bowen, the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, in pursuance and exercise of the said power and authority in me vested in this behalf, do hereby appoint

EVAN PROSSER, Esq., and
EDWARD MASTERS, Esq.,

the persons elected to be Mayors of the respective Boroughs of Hokitika and Greymouth, to be Justices of the Peace under the one hundred and thirty-third section of "The Municipal Corporations Act, 1867."

Given under the hand of His Excellency Sir George Ferguson Bowen, Knight Grand Cross of the Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George, Governor and Commander-in-Chief in and over Her Majesty's Colony of New Zealand and its Dependencies, and Vice-Admiral of the same, at the Government House, at Wellington; and issued under the Public Seal of the said Colony, this fifth day of October, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixty-eight.

E. W. STAFFORD.

ERRATUM.—In *Gazette* No. 54, 17th September, 1868, folio 455, for "George Ogilvie Preshaw" read "George Ogilvie Preshaw."

G. F. BOWEN, Governor.

WHEREAS by the eighty-third section of "The Native Lands Act, 1865," after reciting that at various times agreements had been or might be thereafter made between the owners of Native land or other persons interested therein on the one part, and officers duly authorized to enter into the same on the other part, for the cession of Native land to Her Majesty, it is enacted that it shall be lawful for the Governor to refer any such agreement to the Court, and the Court shall investigate the title to and the interests in such land in the manner prescribed in the said Act, and that the Court shall make such orders either for the completion of the agreement upon such terms and conditions as the Court shall think fit, or for the apportionment of the land between the parties interested therein in such manner as the Court shall think equitable: provided that all Native lands in respect to which any such agreement shall be outstanding and incomplete at the time of the passing of the said Act shall, unless the Governor shall otherwise direct, be excluded from the operation of the said Act until the thirty-first day of December, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-six: And whereas by "The Native Lands Act, 1867," it is enacted that all Native land referred to in section eighty-three of "The Native Lands Act, 1865," shall, unless the Governor shall otherwise direct from time to time in respect of any such land, be excluded from the operation of "The Native Lands Act, 1865," and of "The Native Lands Act, 1867," until the thirty-first day of December, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-eight: provided that every such agreement between the owners of any such land or other persons interested therein on the one part, and officers duly authorised to enter into the same on behalf of Her Majesty on the other part, may be referred by the Governor to the Court, and the Court shall thereupon investigate the title to and the interests in such land in the manner prescribed in "The Native Lands Act, 1865," and "The Native Lands Act, 1867," and shall make such orders as it is by the said eighty-third section of "The Native Lands Act" empowered to make: And whereas, on or about the fifth day of December, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-four, a certain agreement or deed of cession was made between Wereta te Waha and others, as the owners or persons interested in the parcel of Native land (called Te Paretao), particularly described in the Schedule hereto, on the one part, and Isaac Earl Featherston, an officer duly authorised to enter into the same, on the other part, for the cession of the said parcel of Native land to Her Majesty: And whereas a claim to the ownership of or to some interest in the said parcel of land has been set up by Parakaia te Ponepa:

Now therefore I, Sir George Ferguson Bowen, the Governor of New Zealand, in exercise and in pursuance of the power and authority in that behalf vested in me, do hereby refer to the Native Land Court of New Zealand the said agreement or deed of cession, bearing date the fifth day of December, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-four, and made between Wereta te Waha and others of the one part, and Isaac Earl Featherston of the other part, in order that the title to the said parcel of land may be investigated, and that such proceedings may be taken and had thereupon as are authorised by the Acts aforesaid.

SCHEDULE.

Bounded on the North by Crown land and by a portion of the land granted to the children of Thomas Uppadine Cook; on the East, by land known as Te Kawaroa, and ceded to the Crown by Te Kei Paehua

and others; on the South, by Crown land; on the West, by the Manawatu River, and by other portions of the land granted as aforesaid to the children of Thomas Uppadine Cook; comprising an area of four hundred and forty (440) acres, more or less.

Given under the hand of His Excellency Sir George Ferguson Bowen, Knight Grand Cross of the Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George, Governor and Commander-in-Chief in and over Her Majesty's Colony of New Zealand and its Dependencies, and Vice-Admiral of the same, at the Government House, at Wellington; this seventh day of October, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixty-eight.

J. C. RICHMOND.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Wellington, 9th October, 1868.

THE following Despatch, and the Colonial Regulations referred to therein, relative to the correspondence communicated from persons in the Colony to the Secretary of State for the Colonies, are published for general information.

E. W. STAFFORD.

Downing Street,
10th August, 1868.

SIR,—I have recently received several communications from the Provinces in New Zealand otherwise than through yourself.

I request that you will call the attention of the Superintendents of Provinces to the 217th and following Colonial Regulations, and inform them that it will not be possible for me to take notice of communications forwarded to me otherwise than as the Regulations require.

I have, &c.,

BUCKINGHAM AND CHANDOS.

Governor Sir G. F. Bowen, G.C.M.G.

217. Persons in a Colony, whether public functionaries or private individuals, who have any representations of a public or private nature to make to Government, should address them to the Governor of the Colony; or, if the Colony be a dependency of a Governor-in-Chief, then to the officer in the immediate administration of its Government.

218. The duty of the Governor or Administrator of the Colony is to receive and act upon each such representation as public expediency or justice to the individual may appear to require, with the assistance in certain cases of his Executive Council; and if he doubts what steps to take thereupon, or if public advantage may appear to require it, to consult or report to the Secretary of State. Every individual has, however, the right to address the Secretary of State, if he thinks proper. But in this case he must transmit such communication, unsealed, and in triplicate, to the Governor or Administrator, applying to him to forward it in due course to the Secretary of State.

219. Every letter, memorial, or other document, which may be received by the Secretary of State from a Colony otherwise than through the Governor, will, unless a very pressing urgency justifies a departure from the rule, be referred back to the Governor for his report.

220. This rule, requiring transmission of correspondence with the Secretary of State through the

Governor, is based on the strongest grounds of public convenience, in order that all communications may be duly verified, as well as reported on, before they reach the Secretary of State. It extends, therefore, to communications relating to public affairs as well as the concerns of the writer; to those of all public functionaries of whatever rank; and to those from public bodies.

221. Petitions addressed to the Queen, or the Queen in Council, memorials to public officers or Boards in Her Majesty's Government, &c., must be in like manner sent to the Governor for transmission home.

222. The Governor is bound to transmit to the Secretary of State every communication so received by him, accompanied by such report as its contents may appear to him to require.

223. He is to do this with all reasonable despatch, consistently, however, with the delay requisite for the preparation of such report.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Wellington, 8th October, 1868.

THE following Despatches, from Her Majesty's Principal Secretary of State for the Colonies, are published for general information.

E. W. STAFFORD.

Downing Street,
18th July, 1868.

SIR,—I have the honor to acquaint you that the Hansatic Minister at this Court has informed the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs that a Consul for the North German Confederation, whose name will hereafter be communicated to you, having been appointed at Wellington, the Senate of Hamburg have withdrawn the Commission of the Hamburg Consul at that place.

I have, &c.,
BUCKINGHAM AND CHANDOS.
Governor Sir G. F. Bowen, G.C.M.G.

Downing Street,
18th July, 1868.

SIR,—I have the honor to acquaint you that the Hansatic Minister at this Court has informed the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs that a Consul for the North German Confederation, whose name will hereafter be communicated to you, having been appointed at Dunedin, the Senate of Hamburg have withdrawn the Commission of the Hamburg Consul at that place.

I have, &c.,
BUCKINGHAM AND CHANDOS.
Governor Sir G. F. Bowen, G.C.M.G.

Downing Street,
2nd August, 1868.

SIR,—I have the honor to acquaint you that the Prussian Chargé d'Affaires at this Court has informed the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs that a Consul for the North German Confederation, whose name will hereafter be communicated to you, having been appointed at Auckland, the Prussian Authorities have withdrawn the Commission of the Prussian Consul at that place.

I have, &c.,
BUCKINGHAM AND CHANDOS.
Governor Sir G. F. Bowen, G.C.M.G.

Downing Street,
3rd August, 1868.

SIR,—I have the honor to acquaint you that the Hansatic Representative at this Court has informed the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs that a

Consul for the North German Confederation, whose name will hereafter be communicated to you, having been appointed at Auckland, the Senate of Hamburg have withdrawn the Commission of the Hamburg Consul at that place.

I have, &c.,
BUCKINGHAM AND CHANDOS.
Governor Sir G. F. Bowen, G.C.M.G.

Downing Street,
5th August, 1868.

SIR,—I have the honor to inform you that the Queen's Exequatur, empowering Mr. E. L. Bucholz to act as Consul for the North German Confederation at Auckland, received Her Majesty's signature on the 25th ultimo, and that the notification of Her Majesty's approval of the appointment of Mr. Bucholz appeared in the *Gazette* of the 28th ultimo.

I have, &c.,
BUCKINGHAM AND CHANDOS.
Governor Sir G. F. Bowen, G.C.M.G.

Downing Street,
12th August, 1868.

SIR,—I have the honor to inform you, with reference to my Despatch of the 18th ultimo, that the Queen's Exequatur, empowering Mr. Henry Houghton to act as Consul for the North German Confederation at Dunedin, received Her Majesty's signature on the 17th ultimo, and that the notification of Her Majesty's approval of the appointment of Mr. Houghton appeared in the *Gazette* of the 21st ultimo.

I have, &c.,
BUCKINGHAM AND CHANDOS.
Governor Sir G. F. Bowen, G.C.M.G.

Downing Street,
13th August, 1868.

SIR,—I have the honor to inform you, with reference to my Despatch of the 18th ultimo, that the Queen's Exequatur, empowering Mr. Friedrich August Krull to act as Consul for the North German Confederation at Wellington, received Her Majesty's signature on the 17th ultimo, and that the notification of Her Majesty's approval of the appointment of Mr. Krull appeared in the *Gazette* of the 21st ultimo.

I have, &c.,
BUCKINGHAM AND CHANDOS.
Governor Sir G. F. Bowen, G.C.M.G.

[CIRCULAR.]

Downing Street,
29th July, 1868.

SIR,—I transmit to you, at the request of the Civil Service Commissioners, the enclosed Regulations for an Examination of Candidates for the Civil Service of India, which is to take place in the month of March, 1869.

I have, &c.,
BUCKINGHAM AND CHANDOS.
Governor Sir G. F. Bowen, G.C.M.G.

EXAMINATIONS FOR THE CIVIL SERVICE OF INDIA.

REGULATIONS FOR THE OPEN COMPETITION OF 1869.

N.B.—The Regulations are liable to be altered in future years.

1. On Tuesday, 16th March, 1869, and following days, an Examination of Candidates will be held in London. At this Examination not fewer than Candidates will be selected, if so many shall be found

duly qualified. Of these, will be selected for the Presidency of Bengal [for the Upper Provinces, and for the Lower Provinces], for that of Madras, and for that of Bombay.*—Notice will hereafter be given of the days and place of Examination.

2. Any natural-born subject of Her Majesty, who shall be desirous of entering the Civil Service of India, will be entitled to be examined at such Examination, provided he shall, on or before the 1st of February, 1869, have transmitted to the Civil Service Commissioners, London, S.W. :—

- (a) A certificate of his birth, showing that his age on the 1st of March, 1869, will be above seventeen years and under twenty one years ;
- (b) A certificate, signed by a physician or surgeon, of his having no disease, constitutional affection, or bodily infirmity unfitting him for the Civil Service of India ;
- (c) Satisfactory proof of good moral character ;
- (d) A statement of those of the branches of knowledge hereinafter enumerated in which he desires to be examined.†

3. In any case in which a doubt may arise as to the eligibility of a Candidate in respect of age, health, or character, such inquiries as may be necessary will be instituted by the Civil Service Commissioners.

4. The Examination will take place only in the following branches of knowledge‡ :—

	Marks.
English Composition	500
History of England—including that of the Laws and Constitution	500
English Language and Literature	500
Language, Literature, and History of Greece	750
" " Rome	750
" " France	375
" " Germany	375
" " Italy	375
Mathematics (pure and mixed)	1,250
Natural Science ; that is—	
(1.) Chemistry, including Heat ;	
(2.) Electricity and Magnetism ;	
(3.) Geology and Mineralogy ;	
(4.) Zoology ; (5.) Botany	1,000

*** The total (1,000 marks) may be obtained by adequate proficiency in any two or more of the five branches of knowledge included under this head.

Moral Sciences; that is, Logic, Mental and Moral Philosophy	500
Sanskrit Language and Literature	500
Arabic Language and Literature	500

5. The merit of the persons examined will be estimated by marks; and the number set opposite to each branch in the preceding regulation denotes the greatest number of marks that can be obtained in respect of it.

6. No Candidate will be allowed any marks in respect of any subject of examination, unless he shall be considered to possess a *competent knowledge* of that subject.§

* The number of appointments to be made, and the number in each Presidency, &c., will be announced hereafter.

† Evidence of health and character must bear date not earlier than the 1st January, 1869.

‡ It should be understood that Candidates are at liberty to name, at their pleasure, any or all of these branches of knowledge, and that no subjects are obligatory.

§ "Nothing can be further from our wish than to hold out premiums for knowledge of wide surface and of small depth. We are of opinion that a Candidate ought to be allowed no credit at all for taking up a subject in which he is a mere smatterer."—*Report of Committee of 1854.*

7. The Examination will be conducted by means of printed questions and written answers, and by *visá voce* examination, as may be deemed necessary.

8. The marks obtained by each Candidate, in respect of each of the subjects in which he shall have been examined, will be added up, and the names of the Candidates who shall have obtained a greater aggregate number of marks than any of the remaining Candidates will be set forth in order of merit, and such Candidates shall be deemed to be selected Candidates for the Civil Service of India, provided they are in other respects duly qualified; and shall be permitted to choose,* according to the order in which they stand, as long as a choice remains, the Presidency (and in Bengal, the division of the Presidency) to which they shall be appointed.

9. Selected Candidates, before proceeding to India, will be on probation for two years, during which time they will be examined periodically, with the view of testing their progress in the following subjects† :—

	Marks.
(1.) Oriental Languages :	
Sanskrit	500
Vernacular‡ Languages of India (each)	400
(2.) The History and Geography of India	350
(3.) Law	1,250
(4.) Political Economy	350

In these Examinations, as in the open Competition, the merit of the Candidates examined will be estimated by marks, and the number set opposite to each subject denotes the greatest number of marks that can be obtained in respect of it at any one Examination. The Examination will be conducted by means of printed questions and written answers, and by *visá voce* examination, as may be deemed necessary. The last of these Examinations will be held at the close of the second year of probation, and will be called the "Final Examination," at which it will be decided whether a selected Candidate is qualified for the Civil Service of India.

10. Any Candidate who, at any of the periodical Examinations, shall appear to have wilfully neglected his studies, or to be physically incapacitated for pursuing the prescribed course of training, will be liable to have his name removed from the list of selected Candidates.

11. No Candidate will be permitted to proceed to India before he shall have passed the Final Examination, and received a certificate of qualification from the Civil Service Commissioners, or after he shall have attained the age of twenty-four years.

12. The selected Candidates who, at the Final Examination, shall be found to have a competent knowledge of the subjects specified in Regulation 9, shall be adjudged to have passed, and to be entitled to be appointed to the Civil Service of India, provided they shall comply with the regulations in force at the time for the Civil Service of India, and shall be of sound bodily health and good moral character. The Civil Service Commissioners will require such further evidence on these points as they may deem necessary before granting their Certificate of Qualification.

* This right must be exercised immediately after the result of the examination is announced, on such day as may be fixed by the Civil Service Commissioners.

† Full instructions as to the course of study to be pursued will be issued to the successful Candidates as soon as possible after the result of the open Competition is declared.

‡ Including, besides the Languages prescribed for the several Presidencies, such other Languages as may, with the approval of the Commissioners, be taken up as subjects of examination.

13. The seniority in the Civil Service of India of the selected Candidates shall be determined according to the order in which they stand on the list resulting from the Final Examination.

14. Applications from persons desirous to be admitted as Candidates are to be addressed to the Secretary to the Civil Service Commissioners, London, S.W.

20th June, 1868.

NOTE.—(1.) The Secretary of State for India in Council has authorized the Civil Service Commissioners to state that it is his intention to allow the sum of £100 after the first year of probation, and £200 after the second year to each selected Candidate who shall have passed the required Examinations to the satisfaction of the Commissioners, and shall have complied with such rules as may be laid down for the guidance of selected Candidates.

(2.) All selected Candidates will be required, after having passed the second periodical Examination, to attend at the India Office for the purpose of entering into an agreement binding themselves, amongst other things, to refund in certain cases the amount of their allowance in the event of their failing to proceed to India. For a Candidate underage a surety will be required.

(3.) After passing the Final Examination, each Candidate will be required to attend again at the India Office, with the view of entering into covenants and giving a bond for £1000, jointly with two sureties, for the due fulfilment of the same. The stamps payable by civilians on these documents amount to £3 10s.

(4.) Candidates rejected at the Final Examination of 1871 will in no case be allowed to present themselves for re-examination.

[CIRCULAR.]

Downing Street,
31st July, 1868.

SIR,—I transmit to you herewith copies of a Circular issued by the Board of Trade to Officers in the British Possessions abroad, relative to Endorsements of Discharges on Articles, especially in case of hurt or injury in the Ship's service.

I have, &c.,
BUCKINGHAM AND CHANDOS.
Governor Sir G. F. Bowen, G.C.M.G.

[CIRCULAR No. 318.]

INSTRUCTIONS TO OFFICERS IN BRITISH POSSESSIONS ABROAD.

ENDORSEMENTS OF DISCHARGES ON ARTICLES, ESPECIALLY IN CASES OF HURT OR INJURY IN THE SHIP'S SERVICE.

With reference to paras. 16 and 20, and Form C.C. 3; and to para. 26 and Cir. No. 261.

Endorsements should be explicit.

The Form C.C. 3, in the Appendix, contains a blank space wherein the Officer is to state fully and specifically the grounds of the discharge or leaving behind of a Seaman.

Grounds of Discharge not to be omitted.

With a view to avoiding loss to the State and inconvenience to all parties concerned, it is most important that the grounds of a man's discharge should never be omitted from the endorsement.

Particularly in cases of Injury in Ship's Service.

In cases where Seamen are discharged or left behind in consequence of injury received in the service of the Ship, this fact should be stated on the Articles in so many words, and the way in which the injury was received should also be stated, to save disputes and delay when the Owners are applied to for the expenses.

Entries in Log-book, sec. 252.

The Officer should also take care that a proper entry is made in the official log-book to the same effect, and signed by the Master and one of the Crew.

THOMAS GRAY.

Board of Trade, 18th June, 1868.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Wellington, 6th October, 1868.

THE following Bill, passed by the Provincial Council, and reserved by the Superintendent of the Province of Auckland for the signification of the Governor's pleasure thereon, intituled

“The Thames Gold Field Representation Act, 1868,”

having been laid before the Governor, His Excellency has been pleased to assent to the same.

E. W. STAFFORD.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Wellington, 6th October, 1868.

IT is hereby notified that Her Majesty's Principal Secretary of State for the Colonies has instructed His Excellency the Governor to recognize provisionally the appointment of

JOHN JOHNSTON, Esq.,

as French Consular Agent at Wellington.

E. W. STAFFORD.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Wellington, 7th October, 1868.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint

WILLIAM HARRISON, Esq.,

to be Deputy of the Registrar of Marriages, and of Births, Deaths, and Marriages, for the District of Mangapai, as the same is defined in Proclamation of 19th day of November, 1861, and published in *New Zealand Gazette*, No. 49, of 22nd day of November, 1861.

E. W. STAFFORD.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Wellington, 7th October, 1868.

ENQUIRIES having been made respecting the under-mentioned person, any one who can furnish any information respecting him is requested to communicate the same to this Office.

Name—Edward Riley.

Age—28 years.

Complexion—Dark.

Height—Five feet seven inches.

Usual residence before coming to this Colony—Cheshire, England.

When last heard of, and at what place—In October, 1867, at Nevis Diggings, Dunstan, Otago.

W. GISBORNE,

Under-Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
(Judicial Branch.)
Wellington, 2nd October, 1868.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint

WILLIAM NICHOLAS SEARANCKE, Esq.,

to be a Resident Magistrate for the Resident Magistrate's District of Raglan, under “The Resident Magistrates Act, 1867;” *vice* R. O. Stewart, Esquire.

E. W. STAFFORD.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
(Judicial Branch.)
Wellington, 2nd October, 1868.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint

FREDERICK AUGUSTUS BLAYDES

to be Clerk of the Resident Magistrate's Court for the Resident Magistrate's District of Otaki; *vice* G. W. Woon.

E. W. STAFFORD.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
(Judicial Branch),
Wellington, 5th October, 1868.

NOTICE to Justices of the Peace.—Justices of the Peace resident within each District now constituted, or hereafter to be constituted, under "The Petty Sessions Act, 1865," are referred to the 7th section of that Act, and requested to agree among themselves as to the most convenient time and place within their District for the meeting required by the Act, in order that the Government may, upon being informed thereof, issue the necessary Proclamations.

E. W. STAFFORD.

Colonial Defence Office,
Wellington, 1st October, 1868.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to make the under-mentioned appointments, viz.:

In the New Zealand Militia.

Robert William Anderson to be Ensign. Date of commission, 7th September, 1868.

Andrew Middlemas to be Ensign. Date of commission, 16th September, 1868.

In the Napier Militia.

William Bell Davis to be Ensign. Date of commission, 30th September, 1868.

T. M. HAULTAIN.

Colonial Defence Office,
Wellington, 1st October, 1868.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to accept the resignations of the commissions held by the under-mentioned officers, viz.:

Captain J. R. Carey, Westland Light Horse Volunteers.

Ensign J. Ischerwood, New Zealand Militia.

T. M. HAULTAIN.

Colonial Defence Office,
Wellington, 1st October, 1868.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to disband the under-mentioned Corps, viz.:

The Charleston Rifle Volunteers.

T. M. HAULTAIN.

Colonial Defence Office,
Wellington, 1st October, 1868.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to disband the

No. 5 Division of Armed Constabulary,
for mutinous conduct in the field.

T. M. HAULTAIN.

Treasury,
Wellington, 7th October, 1868.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint

WILLIAM PATRICK CRAWFORD, Esq.,
to be Registrar of Joint Stock Companies for the County of Westland.

JOHN HALL.

Treasury,
Wellington, 7th October, 1868.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint

ROBERT CHISENHALL HAMMERTON, Esq.,
to be Registrar of Joint Stock Companies for the Province of Taranaki.

JOHN HALL.

Native Secretary's Office,
Wellington, 28th September, 1868.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to license

J. HOWARD JACKSON,

to survey lands under "The Native Lands Act, 1865."

J. C. RICHMOND.

Native Office,
Wellington, 6th October, 1868.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint

ENOKA TE WHANAKE,

to be an Assessor under "The Native Lands Act, 1865."

J. C. RICHMOND.

CONVERSION OF THE PUBLIC DEBTS OF NEW ZEALAND UNDER THE AUTHORITY OF "THE CONSOLIDATED LOAN ACT, 1867."

THE Government of New Zealand is prepared, under the powers granted by the Act above mentioned, to issue in exchange for such of the various Colonial and Provincial Securities as are now in circulation new Debentures of uniform character, charged on the Consolidated Revenue of New Zealand.

These new debentures will bear interest at the rate of 5 per cent. per annum, payable quarterly, and the principal will be repaid at par by a one per cent. cumulative sinking fund, applied by annual drawings to the extinction of the debt. By this process the whole amount will be paid off in about thirty-six years.

The debentures will be made to represent sums of £1,000, £500, £200, and £100 respectively, and fractions of the latter amount which may be unavoidable in the conversion will be adjusted either by the issue of one debenture, or by the payment of the difference in money.

Scrip certificates will at first be issued in exchange for the bonds withdrawn, and these will afterwards be replaced by debentures of the new issue.

The annual drawings will take place in the month of March, commencing in 1869, and will be conducted in the presence of the Crown Agents for the Colonies, of any debenture holders who may be pleased to attend, and of a notary public. The debentures drawn will be paid off at par on the 15th April following, together with the interest due thereon.

The days on which such drawings will take place, and the numbers and values of the debentures drawn, will be duly notified by advertisement in the *London Gazette* and *The Times*.

Applications for conversion from persons residing in New Zealand or the Australian Colonies, will be received by Penrose G. Julyan, Esquire, and W. C. Sargeant, Esquire, Crown Agents for the Colonies, whose office is in Spring Gardens, London, at any time not later than the 1st of December next, after which date the right of altogether closing the operation is reserved.

Forms of application and information as to the terms upon which such conversion will be made may be obtained on application to the Crown Agents, or to the brokers, Messrs. Mullens, Marshall, Daniell, and Co., 3, Lombard-street, and Messrs. J. and A. Scrimgeour, 18, Old Broad-street, London.

Persons residing in New Zealand or the Australian Colonies desirous of making such conversion must

transmit their securities to some Agent in London, in order that such securities may be given up on the issue of the scrip certificates.

JOHN HALL.

The Treasury,
Wellington, New Zealand,
31st August, 1868.

NOTICE TO MARINERS.

Beacon at Entrance to Pelorus Sound carried away.

Marine Department,
Wellington, 1st October, 1868.

NOTICE is hereby given that Mr. E. H. Croucher, Master of the cutter "Glympse," has reported that the Beacon on the Sunken Rock between the Chetwode Islands and "West Entry Point" of Pelorus Sound has disappeared. Mariners are consequently warned to be cautious when in the vicinity of this danger.

JAMES M. BALFOUR,
Colonial Marine Engineer.

Wellington, 2nd October, 1868.

HIS Honor Mr. Justice Johnston has been pleased to appoint

PATRICK ALPHONSUS BUCKLEY, Esq., Barrister-at-Law, and
HERBERT SAMUEL WARDELL, Esq., Resident Magistrate and Justice of the Peace,

Perpetual Commissioners for taking the Acknowledgments of Married Women.

ALEX. S. ALLAN,
Registrar of the Supreme Court
of Wellington.

NOTICE is hereby given, that an application has been made to His Excellency the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, by Henry Augustus Severn, of Melbourne, in the Colony of Victoria, praying for the grant to him, the said Henry Augustus Severn, of Letters Patent under the Seal of the said Colony for the exclusive use, advantage, and enjoyment of a new invention of a Machine called "A Gold and Mercury Saving and Amalgamating Machine." And notice is hereby given, that any person who may wish to prefer any objections to the granting of such Letters Patent is hereby required, within four calendar months from the publication of this Notice, to send to the Office of John Boyle Bennett, Esquire, Registrar-General, at Wellington, in the Province of Wellington, in the said Colony of New Zealand (being the person appointed for that purpose under the provisions of "The Patents Act, 1860"), a statement in writing showing the grounds of such objection, and subscribed with the proper name and address of the person so objecting.

JACKSON AND RUSSELL,
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Land Claims Office,
Dunedin, 30th September, 1868.

W. H. CUTTEN,
Commissioner.

SCHEDULE.

No. of Report.	No. of Claim.	Name of Claimant.	Commissioner's Decision.
428	474	Julius Jeffreys ...	Entitled to a Crown Grant of Rural Sections 1 and 2, Block XX., Waibola District.
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430	469	Robert Hartley ...	Entitled to a Crown Grant of Rural Section 11, Block XVIII., East Taieri District.
431	471	Francis McDiarmid ...	Entitled to a Crown Grant of Rural Section 23, Irregular Block, West Taieri District.
432	489	George Smyttan ...	Entitled to a Crown Grant of Town Section 47, Port Chalmers.
432	489	George Smyttan ...	Entitled to a Crown Grant of Suburban Section 21, North-east Valley District.
432	489	George Smyttan ...	Entitled to a Crown Grant of Rural Section 1, Block VIII., East Taieri District.