A PROCLAMATION.

I, Sir George Ferguson Bowen, the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, do hereby proclaim and declare that, from and after the second 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 One Hundred 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 twenty-eighth 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.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government House, at Wellington, this twenty-eighth day of October, 1868.

Present:

His Excellency the Governor in Council.

WHEREAS by an Act of the General Assembly of New Zealand intituled "The Bay of Islands Settlements Act, 1858," the Governor was empowered to set apart, on the western side of the Bay of Islands, an eligible site for colonization, and to take for such settlement certain land in the said Act specified, and within such settlement to cause a town to be surveyed and laid out, and also suburban and rural allotments; and it is further provided by the said Act that all such town, suburban, and rural lands shall be let, sold, occupied, and disposed of for such prices, in such manner, for such purposes, upon such laws, and subject to such regulations, as the Governor in Council shall from time to time prescribe for that purpose:

And whereas it is expedient that a regulation should be made authorizing the Governor to make reserves for the purposes hereinbefore recited, and such regulation shall be held and deemed to apply to lands comprised in the aforesaid settlement:

PUBLIC RESERVES.

It shall be lawful for the Governor, at any time and from time to time, to except from sale and reserve to Her Majesty such of the Waste Lands of the Crown within the Bay of Islands Settlement as may be required for any of the purposes specified in the twelfth section of "The Waste Lands Act, 1858," and such reserves shall be deemed to have been notified by the Colonial Secretary, as reserved, in the New Zealand Gazette.

Forster Goring,
Clerk of the Executive Council.

G. F. BOWEN, GOVERNOR.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government House at Wellington, this twenty-eighth day of October, 1868.

Present:

His Excellency the Governor in Council.

WHEREAS by "The Public Domains Act, 1860," it is enacted that the Governor, by Order in
Council, may from time to time delegate all or any of the powers by the said Act conferred to any person for any period, and subject to such stipulations as may be specified in such Order:

And whereas "The Public Domains Act Amendment Act, 1865," amended the said first-mentioned Act in certain respects, but does not repeal such power of delegation:

And whereas "The Public Domains Acts Extension Act, 1860," binds certain lands described in two Schedules thereto within the operation of "The Public Domains Act, 1860," as amended by "The Public Domains Act Amendment Act, 1865," and declares that they shall be managed, administered, and dealt with by the Governor as directed by the said Acts, in the same manner to all intents and purposes as if the said parcels of land had been included and specified in the Schedule to "The Public Domains Act, 1860," and therein declared to be Crown Lands, subject to the provisions thereof:

Now, therefore, His Excellency the Governor, by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council, doth by this present Order delegate, in respect of the land described in the second Schedule to "The Public Domains Acts Extension Act, 1860," and known as the Botanical Garden Reserve in the City of Wellington, New Zealand, the power of delegation:

JAMES HECTOR, Esq., M.D.,
Manager of Geological Survey, all the powers conferred on the Governor by the said Acts.

Forster Gore, Clerk of the Executive Council.

G. F. Bowen, Governor.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government House, at Wellington, this twenty-eighth day of October, 1869.

PRESENT:

HER EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR IN COUNCIL.

WHEREAS by "The Waste Lands Act, 1858," it is provided that it shall be lawful for the Governor in Council, at any time and from time to time, to except from sale and reserve to Her Majesty, or dispose of, in such manner as for the public interest may seem best, such of the Waste Lands of the Crown in any of the Provinces of New Zealand as may be required for the purposes of Military defence, or for the construction of trunk lines of road, or as sites for public buildings for the use of the General Government, or for other purposes of public utility or convenience:

NOW, therefore, His Excellency the Governor, with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of New Zealand, doth hereby except from sale and reserve to the use of Her Majesty as sites for public buildings or other purposes of the General Government, the allotments or parcels of land described in the Schedule hereunder written:

And His Excellency the Governor doth hereby notify to the Superintendents of the Provinces of Auckland and Otago respectively, that the lands defined in the Schedule hereto have been reserved in terms of the Act before cited.

SCHEDULE.

PROVINCE OF AUCKLAND.

All that piece or parcel of land lying between high and low water mark on the eastern shore of the Firth of the Thames, from the mouth of the Tararu River to the mouth of the Kauaranga River.

PROVINCE OF OTAGO.

Waitahia District.

All that parcel of land at Switzer's Diggings, known as the Court House and Police Camp Reserve, and being bounded towards the East by a line 182' 3" one thousand two hundred and sixty-two (1262) links; towards the South by lines 228' 13" seventy-five (75) links, 360' 39" 80' one hundred and eighty-three (183) links, 91' 57' one hundred and fifty-seven (157) links, 293' 22' two hundred and ninety-five (295) links; towards the West by a line 326' 23' 50' six hundred and thirty-five (585) links; and towards the North-west by a line 31' 29' eight hundred and eighty-four (884) links.

Town of Crockett.

All that parcel of land, being sections numbers six (6), thirty-seven (37), and eighty-four (84), Block III., bounded towards the North-east by section number thirty-six (36), two hundred (200) links; towards the South-east by Sligo Street two hundred (200) links, and by section number five (5) one hundred (100) links; towards the South-west by section number five (5) one hundred and sixty-six (166) links, and by Melmore Terrace thirty-three and thirty-four (33-34) links; and towards the North-west by a line three hundred (300) links.

Town of Frankton.

All that parcel of land, being Block X., excepting sections numbers ten (10), twelve (12), seventeen (17), and twenty (20).

Town of Balclutha (North Side).

All that parcel of land, being sections numbers five (5), six (6), and seven (7), Block V., bounded towards the North-east by sections numbers sixteen (16), fifteen (15), and fourteen (14) three hundred (300) links; towards the South-east by section number eight (8) two hundred and fifty (250) links; towards the South-west by Lowestoft Street three hundred (300) links; and towards the North-west by section number four (4) two hundred and fifty (250) links.

Town of Balclutha (North Side).

All that parcel of land, being sections numbers one (1), two (2), and twenty-one (21), Block IV., bounded towards the North-east by sections numbers twenty (20), and eighteen (18) three hundred (300) links; towards the South-east by section number three (3) two hundred and fifty (250) links; towards the South-west by Stanford Street three hundred (300) links; and towards the North-west by Pakedefield Street two hundred and fifty (250) links.

Town of Balclutha (South Side).

All that parcel of land, being section number fourteen (14), Block VIII., bounded towards the North-east by section number thirteen (13) two hundred and fifty (250) links; towards the South-east by section number five (5) one hundred (100) links; towards the South-west by section number fifteen (15) two hundred and fifty (250) links; and towards the North-west by Lanark Street one hundred (100) links.

Town of Balclutha (South Side).

All that parcel of land, being sections numbers five (5), six (6), and seven (7), Block XI.

Town of Palmerston.

All that parcel of land, being sections numbers five (5), six (6), seven (7), and eight (8), Block XX.

Town of Palmerston.

All that parcel of land, being sections numbers five (5), six (6), and seven (7), thirteen (13) and fifteen (15), Block XXV.

Town of Palmerston.

All that parcel of land, being sections numbers three (3), four (4), and thirteen (13), Block XXV.
In accordance with a Resolution of the House of Representatives to the effect that New Zealand Mean Time be adopted throughout the Colony, it is hereby notified for public information, that the time corresponding to the longitude of 172° 30' East from Greenwich—which is exactly 11½ hours in advance of Greenwich time—has been adopted as the Mean Time for the Colony; and that from and after the second day of November, the Public Offices of the General Government will be opened and closed in accordance therewith.

E. W. Stafford.

HEREDITARY ROYALTY.

TOWN OF HAMPDEN.

All that parcel of land, being sections numbers one (1), two (2), three (3), four (4), and five (5), Block XXIV.

TOWN OF MOERAKI.

All that parcel of land, being bounded towards the West and North by high-water mark on the sea shore; towards the East by a line, being a continuation of the divisional line between sections numbers three (3) and four (4), Block VI.; towards the South-east by Haven Street; and towards the South-west by a line, being a continuation of the south-western boundary of Block V.

TOWN OF MOERAKI.

All that parcel of land, being section number five (5), Block VIII.

G. F. BOWEN, Governor.

WHEREAS by "The Otago Municipal Corporations Empowering Act, 1865," it is enacted that it shall be lawful for the Governor to appoint the person elected to be Mayor of any city or incorporated town as therein mentioned to be a Justice of the Peace for the Colony, provided that in every such case such appointment shall continue no longer than the Mayorship of such person: And whereas Robert Finlay, Esquire, has been elected Mayor of the Incorporated Town of Alexandra, in the Province of Otago:

Now therefore I, Sir George Ferguson Bowen, the Governor of New Zealand, in pursuance and in exercise of the power and authority vested in me in that behalf, do hereby appoint the said Robert Finlay, Esq., to be a Justice of the Peace for the Colony of New Zealand.

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 twenty-ninth day of October, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixty-eight.

E. W. Stafford.

His Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint James Smith, Esq., to be Registrar of Marriages, and of Births, Deaths, and Marriages, for the District of Pelorus, as the same is defined in Proclamation of first day of February, 1866, and published in New Zealand Gazette, No. 12, of seventeenth day of February, 1866; see Alfred J. Sickler, deceased.

E. W. Stafford.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Wellington, 30th October, 1868.

The following Bill, passed by the Provincial Council, and assented to by the Superintendent of the Province of Taranaki, intituled "The Supplementary Appropriation Ordinance, 1868-9," having been laid before the Governor, His Excellency has not been advised to exercise his power of disallowance in respect of them.

E. W. Stafford.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Wellington, 30th October, 1868.

The following Ordinances, passed by the Provincial Council, and assented to by the Superintendent of the Province of Otago, intituled "The Appropriation Ordinance, 1868-9," "The Turnpike Ordinance, 1868," and "The Supplementary Appropriation Ordinance, 1868-9," having been laid before the Governor, His Excellency has been pleased to assent to the same.

E. W. Stafford.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Wellington, 30th October, 1868.

The following Ordinances, passed by the Provincial Council, and reserved by the Superintendent of the Province of Southland for the signification of the Governor's pleasure therein, intituled "The Appropriation Ordinance, No. 3, 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, 30th October, 1868.

In accordance with a Resolution of the House of Representatives to the effect that New Zealand Mean Time be adopted throughout the Colony, it is hereby notified for public information, that the time corresponding to the longitude of 172° 30' East from Greenwich—which is exactly 11½ hours in advance of Greenwich time—has been adopted as the Mean Time for the Colony; and that from and after the second day of November, the Public Offices of the General Government will be opened and closed in accordance therewith.

E. W. Stafford.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Wellington, 30th October, 1868.
Colonial Secretary's Office.
Wellington, 26th 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,
13th August, 1868.

Sir,—With reference to previous correspondence respecting the New Zealand "County of Westland Act, 1867," and on the subject of the Bill which it was proposed to introduce into the Imperial Parliament to remove doubts as to the validity of the Act, I have the honor to transmit to you the enclosed copies of an Act which received Her Majesty's assent on the 31st ultimo, entitled "An Act to declare the powers of the General Assembly of New Zealand to abolish any Province in that Colony, or to withdraw from any such Province any part of the Territory thereof."

I have, &e.,

Buckingham and Chandos.
Governor Sir G. F. Bowen, G.C.M.G.

ANNOUNCED PRIMO AND TRICUCE SECONDO
VICTORIE EGO.

CAP. XCI.

An Act to declare the powers of the General Assembly of New Zealand to abolish any Province in that Colony, or to withdraw from any such Province any part of the Territory thereof.

Whereas by the third section of an Act of the Session holden in the twenty-fifth and twenty-sixth years of Her Majesty, intituled "An Act respecting the Establishment and Government of Provinces in New Zealand, and to enable the Legislative of New Zealand to repeal the seventy-third section of an Act intitled 'An Act to grant a Representative Constitution to the Colony of New Zealand,' it was provided, that it shall be lawful for the General Assembly of New Zealand, by any Act or Acts to be by them from time to time passed, to establish or provide for the establishment of new Provinces in the Colony of New Zealand, and to alter or to provide for the alteration of the boundaries of any Provinces for the time being existing in the said Colony and to make provision for the administration of any such Provinces, and for the passing of laws for the peace, order, and good government thereof: And whereas doubts are entertained whether the said General Assembly has power under the above-mentioned enactments, or otherwise, to abolish any such Province now or hereafter to be established, or to withdraw from such Province any part of the territory comprised therein, except for the purpose of including the same within the limits of some other such Province, and it is expedient that such doubts should be removed:

Be it therefore enacted by the Queen's Most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

General Assembly to have, and to be deemed to have had, power to abolish any Province, to withdraw therefrom any territory, and to make laws for such territory.

1. The General Assembly of New Zealand shall be deemed to have, and since the passing of the aforementioned Act to have had, the power of abolishing any Province at any time hereafter to be established in New Zealand, or of withdrawing therefrom the whole or any part of the territory comprised therein, and of passing laws for the peace, order, and good government of the territory so withdrawn from or ceasing to form part of the territory of any such Province, whether such territory shall or shall not be included within the limits of any other Province of New Zealand, and also the power of making from time to time such provision as to such General Assembly shall seem expedient, relating to the effect and operation of any such withdrawals of territory in or with respect to the Province from which such territory shall have been withdrawn, and the Superintendent and Members of the Provincial Council thereof for the time being in office, and the laws in force in such Province at the time of such withdrawals of territory therefrom.

[Circular.

Downing Street,
18th August, 1868.

Sir,—With reference to former Despatches on the disposal of Naval Cadetships, I have the honor to instruct you, that the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty desire that whenever a Naval Cadet is proposed, certain information should be given them respecting the circumstances and position of the Candidate's family.

I enclose a Form which, with this object, should be filled up by the Parent or Guardian of the Candidate, and transmitted with your recommendation of him.

You will be so good as to take care that this is done; and I have no doubt that you will feel the propriety of only recommending young gentlemen whose connections and education render them fit to become Officers of Her Majesty's Navy.

I am, &c.,

Buckingham and Chandos.
Governor Sir G. F. Bowen, G.C.M.G.

Candidate for a Naval Cadet.

1. Name.
2. Date and Place of Birth.
3. Parents' Names.
5. Profession of Father.
6. How long resident in Colony.
7. If there are other Sons in the Navy?
8. If a Nomination should be given, whether an allowance of £50 a year will be made by the Parents or Guardian?
9. Also an Outfit, costing about £70 to £80, to be kept up as required?

Signature and Address of Parent or Guardian.

Date.

General Post Office,
Wellington, 29th October, 1868.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to authorize

The Acting Under Secretary for Defence

to frank and receive, free from pre-payment of postage, letters or packets on the public service.

T. M. Haulman
(for Postmaster-General).

General Post Office,
Wellington, 29th October, 1868.

NOTICE is hereby given that His Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint the Post Office at Motueka,
in the Province of Nelson, to be a Money Order Office and Post Office Savings Bank.

John Hall.
THE NEW ZEALAND GAZETTE. 399

General Post Office, Wellington, 25th October, 1868.

This following notice, received from the General Post Office, Sydney, relating to an alteration in the Money Order System in the Colony of New South Wales, is published for general information.

By order,

G. ELLIOTT ELLIOTT,
Secretary.

General Post Office, Sydney, 12th October, 1868.

It is hereby notified for general information, that the Money Order Office at Fish River Creek will be abolished on and after the 1st November.

ATKINSON A. P. TIGHE.
Marine Department, Wellington, 26th October, 1868.

This following Notice to Mariner with respect to a Sunken Rock between Cape Foulwind and Buller River, which has been issued by the Hydrographical Department of the Admiralty, is published for general information.

JAMES M. BALFOUR,
Colonial Marine Engineer.

New Zealand.—Middle Island.—West Coast.

Sunken Rock between Cape Foulwind and River Buller.

Information has been received from Commander H. L. Percival, H.M.N. “Falcon,” that a sunken rock (now called the Falcon Rock), having two or three feet over it at low water, lies midway between the north extreme of the Three Steeples (off Cape Foulwind) and the entrance of the River Buller.

By command of their Lordships,

Geo. HENRY RICHARDS,
Hydrographer.


NOTICE TO MARINERS.
Alteration of Channel, Mountain Bar.

Marine Department, Wellington, 24th October, 1868.

Notice is hereby given that the South Bank at the entrance of Manukau Harbour, is reported to have shifted so far as to render it unsafe to enter on the line of the leading beacon on the South Head, as this line would now lead on the tail of the bank. A fresh survey of the channels has been ordered, and Mariners are for the present warned to be extremely cautious, and to pay close attention to the steering signals from the Pilot Station.

JAMES M. BALFOUR,
Colonial Marine Engineer.

Application for Letters Patent.—Notice is hereby given that an application has been made to His Excellency the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand by John Goodall, in the Colony of New Zealand, praying for the grant to him, the said John Goodall, 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 Comical Reducing and amalgamating Pan,” for the purpose of saving gold and quicksilver.

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 Patent 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.

John GOODALL,
Civil and Mining Engineer, Prince Alfred Battery, Shortland.

October 15, 1868.

I, the undersigned SAMUEL JOHN EDMONDS, hereby
1. make application to register “The Full Moon Gold Mining Company, Registered,” under the provisions of “The Mining Companies Limited Liability Act, 1865;” and I do solemnly and sincerely declare that the following statement is, to the best of my belief and knowledge, true in every particular, namely:

1. The name and style of the Company is “The Full Moon Gold Mining Company, Registered.”
2. The place of operations is at Tapu Creek, in the Thames District.
3. The nominal capital of the Company is eight thousand pounds, in eight hundred shares of ten pounds each.
4. The amount already paid up is six thousand four hundred pounds.
5. The name of the manager is Samuel John Edmonds.
6. The office of the Company is at No. twenty-four, Queen Street, Auckland.
7. The names and several residences of the Shareholders, and the number of shares held by each at this date, are as follows:

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Dated this sixteenth day of October, 1868.

S. J. EDMONDS.
Witness to signature—Henry Griffilan, J. F.

I, the undersigned WILLIAM FRANK BUCKLAND, hereby make application to register the “Una Quartz Crushing and Gold Mining Company, Registered,” under the provisions of “The Mining Companies Limited Liability Act, 1865;” and I do solemnly and sincerely declare that the following statement is, to the best of my belief and knowledge, true in every particular, namely:

1. The name and style of the Company is the “Una Quartz Crushing and Gold Mining Company Registered.”
2. The place of operations is the Karaka Creek, in the Thames Gold Field, District of Hauraki, in the Province of Auckland, Colony of New Zealand.
3. The nominal capital of the Company is four thousand pounds in four hundred shares of ten pounds each.
4. The amount already paid up is two thousand
five hundred pounds.
5. The name of the manager is William Frank
Buckland.
6. The office of the Company is at the Company's
Quartz Crushing Mill, in the Karaka Creek aforesaid.
7. The names and several residences of the Share-
holders, and the number of shares held by each at
this date, are as follows—

John Gibbons, Eyre Street, in the township of
Shortland, in the Province of Auckland ... 200
William Thorne Buckland, Grafton Road,
Auckland, in the said Province ... 150
William Frank Buckland, Karaka Creek, in
the said District ... ... ... ... ... ... 50

Dated this ninth day of October, one thousand
eight hundred and sixty-eight.

WILLIAM F. BUCKLAND.

Witness to signature—Henry Weckes, J.P., for the
Colony of New Zealand.

ACTS OF PARLIAMENT.—The following Acts,
passed during the Session of the Assembly,
1868, are now published, and can be procured from
the Government Printer. Copies forwarded to
any part of the Colony, post free, at the following
prices—

No. | Act | s. d.
---|---|---
1 | No. 1. Mete Kingi Paetahi Election | 0 6
2 | Imprest Supply | 0 6
3 | Interest on Money | 0 9
4 | Pawnbrokers | 0 9
5 | Tresason-Felony | 0 9
6 | Public-Houses | 0 9
7 | Bell of New Zealand Trusts | 0 9
8 | Bridges and Ferries | 0 9
9 | Trigonometrical Stations and Survey Marks | 0 9
10 | Bills of Sale | 0 9
11 | Mortgage of Stock Registration | 0 9
12 | Provincial Audit Act Amendment | 0 9
13 | Westland Representation Amendment | 0 9
14 | Nelson and Golden Railway | 0 9
15 | Imprest Supply (No. 2.) | 0 9
16 | Lunatico | 0 9
17 | Printers and Newspapers Registration | 0 9
18 | 15th century Land Claims Settlement Act, 1867, Amendment | 0 9

The names and several residences of the Share-
holders are as follows—

Name and Address in full of Applicant. | Style under which it is intended to conduct the Business. | Amount of Land proposed to be leased. | Minimum number of Men to be employed by the Lessee. | Amount of working the Land. | Proposed mode of working the Land. | Precise Locality. | Time of commencing operation.
---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---
Henry Evans, Charleston, Manager for the Southern Cross Mining Company | Southern Cross Mining Company | $ 15,000 | First three months, six men. When in working order, twelve men. | $ 3,000 | Crushing by machinery | Darkies' Terrace, near Charleston | Immediately upon granting of lease.
William Hunter, Old Darkies' Terraces, Charleston | The Hope Gold Mining Company | $ 2,500 | First six months, four men. When in full operation, six men. | $ 2,500 | Crushing by water-power and iron battery | Darkies' Terrace, near Charleston | Immediately upon granting of lease.

OSWALD CURTIS,
Superintendent.
## The New Zealand Gazette.

### Return of the Quantity and Value of Gold Exported from New Zealand, from 1st April, 1867, to the 30th September, 1868.

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### Comparative Return of the Quantity and Value of Gold Exported from the various Provinces of New Zealand, for the Quarters ending respectively 30th September, 1868, and 30th September, 1867.

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**Remarks:**

- Taranaki—Very equable weather from the 2nd to the 10th; wind S.W., very little rain; on 12th and 15th gale from S.E., lasting 25 hours; hail fell on 26th; slight earthquake on 11th, at 9:30 a.m.; earthquake on the 17th, at 9:52, lasting one hour without intermission. Return received 8th October, 1868.
- Nelson—Gale from S.E. on the 2nd; hail fell on 23rd; tidal waves during the 15th, range from three to six feet; two slight shocks of earthquake at 10 a.m. on the 17th; prevailing wind for the month from S.W.; very slight rainfall. Return received 17th September, 1868.
- Wellington—High wind on the 25th from S.W., dull and showery; remarkable tidal disturbance on the 16th; earthquake shock about 9:58 a.m. on the 17th; prevailing wind for the month from S.W.; very slight rainfall. Return received 1st October, 1868.
- Nelson—Very heavy falls of rain at this place—the total being above the average for previous years. Return received 15th October, 1868.

**General Remarks:**

The temperature is lower at almost all the stations than the average for the same month in previous years, and the degree of moisture is higher; the weather was more severe in the Northern part of the Colony than is usual. On the 15th the East Coast was visited by a series of oceanic waves that were coincident with great earthquakes on the coast of South America. On the 17th an earthquake was felt throughout the Colony, except in Auckland, passing from East to West.