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G. F. BOWEN, Governor.
A PROCLAMATION.

WHEREAS by "The Petty Sessions Act, 1865," it is enacted that as soon as conveniently may be after the establishment of a Petty Sessions District, and afterwards from time to time as may be deemed expedient, the Governor shall, by Proclamation in the *New Zealand Gazette*, appoint a meeting of the Justices of the Peace resident in such district to be yearly held within such district at some specified time and place, for the purpose of choosing a Chairman of Petty Sessions and settling a rota of attendance: And whereas by an Order in Council bearing date the twenty-second day of July, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-eight, certain Petty Sessions Districts, including amongst others the districts hereinafter named, were defined and established: And whereas by a Proclamation bearing date the twenty-fourth day of December, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-eight, certain times and places for the meetings of the Justices of the Peace resident in the districts hereinafter named were proclaimed and appointed: And whereas it is expedient that the times of meeting proclaimed and appointed by such Proclamation should be altered:

Now therefore I, Sir George Ferguson Bowen, the Governor of New Zealand, in pursuance and in exercise of the power and authority in that behalf vested in me, do hereby proclaim and appoint that for each of the districts named in the Schedule hereto a meeting of the Justices of the Peace resident within such district shall be yearly held at the place whereof the name is in the said Schedule set opposite to the name of such district, at twelve o'clock noon, on the day set opposite the name of such place in the said Schedule, for the purpose of choosing a Chairman of Petty Sessions and settling a rota of attendance.

Name of District.	Place of Meeting.	Time of Meeting.
Te Anau	Residence of Messrs. Butler and Poynter, Mararoa.	Third Tuesday in May in each year.
Lawrence	Court House, Lawrence	Third Tuesday in May in each year.
Cromwell District ...	Court House, Cromwell	First Wednesday in January in each year.

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 Seal of the said Colony, this nineteenth day of March, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixty-nine.

E. W. STAFFORD.

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN!

G. F. BOWEN, Governor.
A PROCLAMATION.

WHEREAS by "The Petty Sessions Act, 1865," it is enacted that as soon as conveniently may be after the establishment of a Petty Sessions District, and afterwards from time to time as may be deemed expedient, the Governor shall, by Proclamation in the *New Zealand Gazette*, appoint a meeting of the Justices of the Peace resident in such district to be yearly held within such district at some specified time and place, for the purpose of choosing a Chairman of Petty Sessions and settling a rota of attendance: And whereas by an Order in Council bearing date the twenty-second day of July, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-eight, certain Petty Sessions Districts, including amongst others the districts hereinafter named, were defined and established: And whereas by a Proclamation bearing date the fourth day of November, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-eight, certain times and places for the meetings of the Justices of the Peace resident in the districts hereinafter named were proclaimed and appointed: And whereas it is expedient that the times of meeting proclaimed and appointed by such Proclamation should be altered:

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

each of the districts named in the Schedule hereto a meeting of the Justices of the Peace resident within such district shall be yearly held at the place whereof the name is in the said Schedule set opposite to the name of such district, at twelve o'clock noon, on the third Tuesday in the month of May, for the purpose of choosing a Chairman of Petty Sessions and settling a rota of attendance.

Name of District.	Place of Meeting.
Tarangitira Downs District	Police Barracks, Lowther.
Waiau District	Accommodation House, Easter Bush.

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 Seal of the said Colony, this nineteenth day of March, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixty-nine.

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Now therefore I, Sir George Ferguson Bowen, the Governor of New Zealand, in pursuance and in exercise of the power and authority in that behalf vested in me, do hereby proclaim and appoint that, for the Bay of Islands District, a meeting of the Justices of the Peace resident within such district shall be yearly held at the Court House, at Russell, at twelve o'clock noon, on the third Tuesday in the month of May, for the purpose of choosing a Chairman of Petty Sessions and settling a rota of attendance.

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 Seal of the said Colony, this nineteenth day of March, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixty-nine.

E. W. STAFFORD.

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN!

G. F. BOWEN, Governor.

A PROCLAMATION.

WHEREAS by "The Salmon and Trout Act, 1867," it is enacted that it shall be lawful for the Governor, by Order in Council under his hand and the Public Seal of the Colony, from time to time to delegate to the Superintendent or the Provincial Executive of any Province, or to such other person as the Governor may think fit, all or any of the powers vested in the Governor or the Governor in Council by the said Act:

Now, therefore, His Excellency Sir George Ferguson Bowen, the Governor of New Zealand, with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of the said Colony, doth hereby, in pursuance and in exercise of the powers and authorities for that purpose vested in him by the said Act, and by "The Governor's Delegation Act, 1867," delegate to the Executive Government of the Province of Otago all the powers vested in the Governor or the Governor in Council by "The Salmon and Trout Act, 1867," exercisable within the Province aforesaid.

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 Seal of the said Colony, this twenty-fourth day of March, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixty-nine.

Approved in Council.

FORSTER GORING,

Clerk of the Executive Council.

G. F. BOWEN, Governor.

A PROCLAMATION.

WHEREAS by an Act of the General Assembly of New Zealand, intituled "The Protection of Animals Act Amendment Act, 1868," it is enacted that no native game shall be hunted, shot, taken, or killed in any part of the Colony, except during such months as the Governor shall from time to time by Proclamation appoint in reference to the respective descriptions of native game within the districts mentioned in any such Proclamation:

Now therefore I, Sir George Ferguson Bowen, the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, in pursuance and exercise of the power in me vested in that behalf by the above-recited Act, do hereby proclaim and declare that all the native game mentioned in the fifth Schedule to "The Protection of Animals Act, 1867," as amended by the above-recited Act, except quail, may be hunted, shot, taken, or killed in the district hereinafter mentioned, during the months of April, May, June, July, and August in the present year, and that quail may be hunted, shot,

taken, and killed during the months of April, May, June, and July in the present year, in the district hereinafter mentioned, that is to say—

The District consisting of the Timaru Electoral District and the Gladstone Electoral District,

as the same are respectively defined in the Schedule to "The Representation Act, 1865."

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 Seal of the said Colony, this twenty-fifth day of March, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixty-nine.

E. W. STAFFORD.

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN!

G. F. BOWEN, Governor.

IN exercise and pursuance of the powers vested in me by "The Weights and Measures Act, 1868," I, Sir George Ferguson Bowen, G.C.M.G., the Governor of New Zealand, do hereby direct that the authorized copies of the Standard Weights and Measures issued and to be issued under the provisions of the said Act to the several Inspectors of Weights and Measures for the Districts, Provinces, and Counties named in the first column of the Schedule hereunder written, shall be kept therein at the several places of deposit the names whereof are in the second column of the said Schedule set opposite the names of the said Districts, Provinces, and Counties respectively, in the respective buildings the descriptions whereof are in the third column of the said Schedule set opposite the names of such places of deposit respectively.

SCHEDULE.

1st Column. DISTRICT, PROVINCE, OR COUNTY.	2nd Column. PLACE OF DEPOSIT.	3rd Column. DESCRIPTION OF BUILDING.
Auckland ...	Office of Inspector of Weights and Measures at Auckland	New Custom House and Post Office Building, fronting Shortland St. and Fort St., Auckland.
Taranaki ...	Ditto at New Plymouth	Office occupied by Inspector of Weights and Measures, Mount Elliott, Town of New Plymouth.
Hawke's Bay	Ditto at Napier	The Government Buildings, Shakespeare Road.
Wellington ...	Ditto at Wellington	Office occupied by Inspector of Weights and Measures, Lambton Quay South, City of Wellington.
Nelson ...	Ditto at Nelson	Police Station, City of Nelson.
Marlborough	Ditto at Blenheim	Provincial Government Buildings, Blenheim.
Westland ...	Ditto at Hokitika	Office occupied by Inspector of Weights and Measures, on Government Reserve, beside the Land Office, Hokitika.
Canterbury ...	Ditto at Christchurch	Office occupied by Inspector of Weights and Measures, Cashel Street, Christchurch.
Dunedin ...	Ditto at Dunedin	Central Police Station, Dunedin.
Hawkesbury	Ditto at Waikouaiti	Police Station, Waikouaiti.
Tokomairiro	Ditto at Tokomairiro	" Tokomairiro.
Tuapeka	Ditto at Lawrence	" Lawrence.
Mount Ida	Ditto at Naseby	" Naseby.
Dunstan	Ditto at Clyde	" Clyde.
Wakatipu	Ditto at Queenstown	" Queenstown.
Southland ...	Ditto at Invercargill	" Town of Invercargill.

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-fifth day of March, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixty-nine.

E. W. STAFFORD.

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 mayoralty of such person: And whereas Horace Bastings, Esquire, has been elected Mayor of the Municipality of Lawrence:

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

HORACE BASTINGS, 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-third day of March, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixty-nine.

E. W. STAFFORD.

G. F. BOWEN, Governor.

IN pursuance and exercise of the power and authority in this behalf enabling me, I, Sir George Ferguson Bowen, the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, do hereby fix and appoint that sittings of the District Court of the Otago Gold Fields, additional to those already appointed, shall be held as follows:—

In the Resident Magistrate's Court at Lawrence, on the second Tuesday in June next.

In the Resident Magistrate's Court at Naseby, on the second Wednesday in July next.

In the Resident Magistrate's Court at Clyde, on the Monday next after the second Wednesday in July next.

In the Resident Magistrate's Court at Queenstown, on the Monday second after the second Wednesday in July next.

As witness the hand of His Excellency the Governor, this eighteenth day of March, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-nine.

E. W. STAFFORD.

G. F. BOWEN, Governor.

WHEREAS by "The Military Pensions Act, 1866," it is enacted that it shall be lawful for the Governor from time to time to constitute and appoint a Board or Boards of Medical Officers, and to cancel or vary any appointment at pleasure; such Board or Boards in each case to consist of not less than three duly qualified medical practitioners:

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, do hereby appoint

JOHN CAREY, M.R.C.S.,
EDWARD WADDINGTON, M.R.C.S.E., L.R.C.P.E.,
BERNARD CHARLES BEALE, M.R.C.S.E., L.S.A.L.,
to constitute a Board of Medical Officers for the purpose of carrying out the provisions of the said recited Act.

As witness the hand of His Excellency the Governor, this eighteenth day of March, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-nine.

T. M. HAULTAIN.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Wellington, 24th March, 1869.

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

"The Appropriation Ordinance, No. 1, 1869,"
having been laid before the Governor, His Excellency has been pleased to assent to the same.

E. W. STAFFORD.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Wellington, 24th March, 1869.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint

JOHN HENRY LOWE, Esq.,
to be Returning Officer for the Grey District, for the election of Members of the Provincial Council of the Province of Nelson.

This appointment to take effect on and from the first day of April next.

E. W. STAFFORD.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Wellington, 24th March, 1869.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint

JOHN HENRY LOWE, Esq.,
to be Registrar of Marriages, and of Births, Deaths, and Marriages, for the District of Cobden, as the same is defined in Proclamation of the 12th January, 1867, and published in the *New Zealand Gazette*, No. 5, of 19th January, 1867.

This appointment to take effect on and from the first day of April next.

E. W. STAFFORD.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
(Judicial Branch),
Wellington, 24th March, 1869.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint

JOHN HENRY LOWE, Esq.,
to be a Resident Magistrate for the Resident Magistrate's District of Nelson South-west Goldfields, from and after the 1st April next.

E. W. STAFFORD.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
(Judicial Branch),
Wellington, 24th March, 1869.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint the following gentlemen to be Justices of the Peace for the Colony:—

JOHN HENRY LOWE, of Nelson, Esq.;
GEORGE FORBES MACKAY, of Teviot, Otago, Esq.;
JOHN BEIGHTON, of Roxburgh, Otago, Esq.;
CHARLES O'NEILL, of Shortland, Esq.

E. W. STAFFORD.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
(Judicial Branch),
Wellington, 24th March, 1869.

THE following Certificate and Declaration are published in conformity with the provisions of "The Execution of Criminals Act, 1858."

E. W. STAFFORD.

CERTIFICATE.

I, ALEXANDER JOHNSTON, the Medical Officer in attendance at the execution of Whakamau, at the Gaol of Wellington, do hereby certify and declare that I have this day witnessed the execution of the said Whakamau at the said gaol: And I do further certify and declare, that the said Whakamau was, in pursuance of the sentence of the Supreme Court, hanged by the neck until his body was dead.

Given under my hand this twenty-third day of March, in the year one thousand eight hundred and sixty-nine, at the Gaol of Wellington.

ALEXANDER JOHNSTON, M.D.

DECLARATION.

WE do hereby testify and declare that we have this day been present when the extreme penalty of the law was carried into execution on the body of Whakamau, convicted at the Criminal Session of the Supreme Court, held at Wellington on the fifth day of March instant, and sentenced to death; and that the said Whakamau was, in pursuance of the said sentence, hanged by the neck until his body was dead.

Dated this twenty-third day of March, in the year one thousand eight hundred and sixty-nine, at the Gaol of Wellington.

JAMES C. CRAWFORD, Sheriff.
MICATAH READ, Gaoler.
JAMES DONALDSON, Turnkey.
HEMI PARAI. x
MOHI NGAPONGO. x
MITAI PENE TAUI.
JAMES OSGOOD.
F. GIFFARD.
R. B. HAYBITTLE.
HENRY ANDERSON.
M. MOSLEY.
JACOB MONTEITH.
FREDERICK JNO. AKERS.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
(Judicial Branch),
Wellington, 24th March, 1869.

THE following section of "The Registration Act, 1858," is reprinted here for the information of Coroners, Constables, and others:—

"XIII. In case any new-born child or any dead body shall be found exposed, a Constable of the district shall forthwith inform the Registrar [of Births, Deaths, and Marriages] thereof, and of the place where such child or dead body was found; and where an inquest shall be held on any dead body, the Coroner or Justice of the Peace holding the same shall notify to the Registrar of the district the verdict of the jury, with all other particulars required to be registered concerning the death, and such Registrar shall make the entry in his Register Book accordingly, and the same shall be signed by the Coroner or Justice of the Peace by whom the information has been given."

E. W. STAFFORD.

Colonial Defence Office,
Wellington, 19th March, 1869.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to award the Decorative Distinction instituted by Order in Council dated tenth March, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-nine, to the under-mentioned men of the Armed Constabulary, whose claims to the same have been submitted to His Excellency on account of the Acts of Bravery performed by them respectively, as stated against their names:—

Corps and Division.	Rank and Name.	Act of Bravery for which recommended.
No. 1 Division, Armed Constabulary.	Constable Henare Kapa Te Ahururu. Date of Act of Bravery, 7th November, 1868.	For his gallant conduct during the attack on the enemy's position at Moturoa, on the 7th November, 1868. The storming party, failing to find an entrance, passed round to the rear of the work. Conceiving an entrance to the pa was desired, Constable Kapa climbed the palisades of the fortification alone, in doing which he was shot through the lungs, but nevertheless walked out of action, and brought his arms into camp.
No. 1 Division, Armed Constabulary.	Constables Solomon Black and Benjamin Biddle. Date of Act of Bravery, January, 1869.	For their gallant conduct at the siege of Ngatapa, in January, 1869. The rear of the enemy's position was assigned to the attack under Major Fraser, consisting of Nos. 1 and 3 Armed Constabulary and Hote-ne's Ngatiporous. The extreme right, on a scarped stony ridge, was commanded from the enemy's rifle-pits and works, and a lodgment was only effected by cutting out standing room with a pick-axe. The enemy made several determined sorties against this point, and it became extremely difficult to maintain the position—which was essential to the success of the operations. A party of twelve volunteers were at length placed there, and they succeeded, with some loss, in holding the position till the end of the siege, and in repelling several resolute attacks. The most conspicuous for their bravery were Constables Black and Biddle.

T. M. HAULTAIN.

Treasury,
Wellington, 25th March, 1869.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint

WILLIAM DICK MURISON, Esq.,

to be Deputy Auditor for the Province of Otago, under the provisions of "The Provincial Audit Act, 1866."

E. W. STAFFORD.

CONTINUED CONVERSION OF THE OLD DEBENTURES OF THE GENERAL AND PROVINCIAL GOVERNMENTS OF NEW ZEALAND INTO NEW 5 PER-CENT. CONSOLS UNDER THE LOAN ACT OF 1867.

THE Crown Agent for the Colonies, acting on behalf of the Government of New Zealand, will be prepared to exchange new 5 per cents., created under authority of the Act above referred to, for debentures bearing various rates of interest, which have from time to time been issued under the following Acts and Ordinances.

The interest on the new securities will be paid quarterly, and the principal will be paid at par by a 1 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 terms on which the old debentures may be exchanged for new are as follows, viz. :—

For every 100 General Government old 5 per cents. payable in 1914, holders may receive 99½ new 5 per cent. consols.

For every 100 General Government 6 per cents. payable in 1891, holders may receive 113½ new 5 per cents.

For every 100 6 per cents. of the Provincial Governments of Auckland, Canterbury, and Otago, holders may receive 109 new 5 per cents.

For every 100 Otago 8 per cents., issued under Loan Ordinance, 1861-2, and payable in December, 1875, holders may receive 115 new 5 per cents.

For every 100 Otago 8 per cents., issued under Loan Ordinance, 1861-2, and payable in July, 1874, holders may receive 113 new 5 per cents.

For every 100 Otago 8 per cents., issued under Loan Ordinance, 1862, and payable in November, 1874, holders may receive 113½ new 5 per cents.

For every 100 Otago 8 per cents., issued under Loan Ordinance, 1862, and payable in October, 1875, holders may receive 115 new 5 per cents.

For every 100 Canterbury 8 per cents., issued under Loan Ordinance, 1856, and payable in 1873, holders may receive 110½ new 5 per cents.

For every 100 Wellington 8 per cents., issued under Loan Ordinance, 1862, and payable in 1877, holders may receive 118 new 5 per cents.

For every £100 Wellington 8 per cents., issued under Loan Ordinance, 1866, and payable in 1886, holders may receive £128 10s. new 5 per cents.

For every 100 Nelson 8 per cents., issued under Loan Ordinance, 1864, and payable in 1876, holders may receive 116½ new 5 per cents.

For every 100 Nelson 8 per cents., issued under Loan Ordinance, 1864, and payable in 1881, holders may receive 124 new 5 per cents.

The bonds 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 bond, more or less, and by the payment of the difference in money, at the time of conversion.

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 are to take place and the numbers and values of the debentures drawn, will be duly notified by advertisement in the *London Gazette* and the *Times*.

The New Zealand Government will receive bonds for exchange, and will give an order on the Crown Agents for an amount of new 5 per cent. consols corresponding with the advertised terms of conversion. The Government will be responsible for the transmission of the old bonds to England.

As payment of interest on new bonds has to be made in London, and the annual drawings will also be made there, those bonds will have to be deposited in the hands of some person resident in the United Kingdom. For the convenience of persons who have not agents there, Mr. Morrison, the New Zealand Agent in London, will, on application, act as agent for such persons in respect of those bonds.

E. W. STAFFORD.

The Treasury, Wellington, New Zealand,
6th February, 1869.

IN the matter of "The Friendly Societies Act, 1867," notice is hereby given that a transcript of the Rules of

"The Hokitika District Branch of the Manchester Unity Independent Order of Odd Fellows,"

duly certified, has been lodged with the Registrar of Friendly Societies, registered and recorded in his office under the provisions of "The Friendly Societies Act, 1867."

Dated the twenty-second day of March, 1869.

ALEX. C. P. MACDONALD
(for the Registrar).

Registrar-General's Office,
Wellington, 22nd March, 1869.

PURSUANT to the provisions of an Act of the General Assembly of New Zealand, passed in the eighteenth year of the reign of Her Majesty Queen Victoria, and intituled "The Marriage Act, 1854," the following name of an Officiating Minister, within the meaning of the said Act, is published for general information:—

Presbyterian Church of Otago and Southland.
The Reverend ALEXANDER BLAKE.

I, JOHN B. BENNETT, Registrar-General of Births, Deaths, and Marriages in New Zealand, do hereby certify that the foregoing NAME of an OFFICIATING MINISTER within the meaning of "The Marriage Act, 1854," has been sent in to me, in addition to the names in Lists published in the *New Zealand Gazette*, No. 4, of the 29th of January; No. 5, of the 8th of February; and No. 15, of the 19th of March, in the present year.

Given under my hand, at Wellington, this twenty-second day of March, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-nine.

JOHN B. BENNETT,
Registrar-General.

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A further supply of the above work having arrived per "Wild Duck" from England, those desirous of procuring copies are informed that they can be had on application to the Government Printer, at Wellington, and will be forwarded, post free, to any part of the Colony.

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GEO. DIDSBUY,
Government Printer.

THE following Return of AGRICULTURAL STATISTICS of the PROVINCE OF TARANAKI, in February, 1869, is published for general information.
Registrar-General's Office, Wellington, 24th March, 1869.
JOHN B. BENNETT, Registrar-General.

ACCOUNT OF LAND IN CULTIVATION, AND OF THE AGRICULTURAL PRODUCE THEREOF, IN NEW ZEALAND, FEBRUARY, 1869.
(Taken under the authority of "The Census Acts Amendment Act, 1867.")
SUPERINTENDENT COLLECTOR'S RETURN.—PROVINCE OF TARANAKI.

ELECTORAL DISTRICTS.	Extent of Land broken up, but not under Crop.	IN WHEAT.		IN OATS.		IN BARLEY.		IN HAY.		In permanent artificial Grass (including Land in Hay in previous column).		IN POTATOES.		IN OTHER CROPS.	
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TOWN OF NEW PLYMOUTH	3	488	9,055	74	1,624	10	10	326	14	4	11	468	2,210	150	150
GREY AND BELL	589	327	6,865	46	813	582	1,195	10,331	2,210	231	53	231	1,245	53	53
OMATA	332	105	2,115	120	2,437	136	1,299	6,683	17,340	703	3,469	703	3,469	214	214
GENERAL TOTALS FOR PROVINCE	924	815	15,920	329	7,125	728	1,299	17,340	3,469	703	3,469	703	3,469	214	214

I certify that the above is a correct compilation from the original Returns.
THOMAS KELLY, Superintendent Collector.

STATEMENT of the average Amount of Liabilities and Assets of the Okarita Gold Mining and Water Race Company (Registered), Five Mile Beach, Okarita, during the Half-year ending December 31st, 1868.

<i>Liabilities.</i>		£	s.	d.
To claims	...	3	15	0
Water-race	...	190	12	3
Saw-mills	...	8	0	4
Timber	...	175	0	0
Incidental expenses	...	64	0	0
Bank of New Zealand	...	424	0	0
		£865	7	7

<i>Assets.</i>		£	s.	d.
Claims	...	481	9	6
Water-race	...	1,408	6	9
Saw-mill	...	398	7	10
Timber	...	138	0	0
Stock	...	56	11	0
Unsold shares	...	215	0	0
Cash due, timber	...	145	2	7
" " shares	...	418	0	0
Cash in hand	...	63	5	10
		£3,324	3	6

	£	s.	d.
Amount of capital in 2,600 shares of £1 each	2,600	0	0
Amount of capital paid up	1,967	0	0
Amount of profits from saw-mill, water, &c.	273	18	6

R. H. ARTHUR,
Manager.

BALANCE Sheet of the "Hape" Gold Mining Company, Registered.

<i>Assets.</i>		£	s.	d.
Supposed value of claim in paid-up capital	...	1,400	0	0
Plant and machinery	...	1,412	3	4
Stock of quicksilver	...	45	0	0
Stock of coals	...	2	0	0
Tools and fittings	...	55	0	0
Outstanding accounts	...	14	15	6
Calls not paid up	...	7	10	0
Balance in cash	...	53	7	10
		£2,989	16	8

<i>Liabilities.</i>		£	s.	d.
Bills payable	...	907	7	0
Accounts due	...	182	18	8
Balance in favour of Company	...	1,899	11	0
		£2,989	16	8

J. H. SMITH, Manager.

Auckland, 31st December, 1868.

M. S. LEERS,
SEERING H. MATTHEWS, } Auditors.

I the undersigned WALTER SIGLEY, hereby make application to register "The Sacramento and Alabama United 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 knowledge and belief, true in every particular, namely:—

1. The name and style of the Company is "The Sacramento and Alabama United Gold Mining Company."

2. The place of operations is at the Karaka Creek, near Shortland, Hauraki District, in the Province of Auckland, New Zealand.

3. The nominal capital of the Company is five thousand five hundred pounds, in one thousand one hundred shares of five pounds each.

4. The amount already paid up is three thousand four hundred pounds.

5. The name of the manager is Walter Sigley.

6. The office of the Company is at Pollen Street, Shortland.

7. The names and several residences of the shareholders, and the number of shares held by each of them at this date, are as follow:—

	No. of Shares.
William Cumming, Shortland	60
Robert Augustus Pope, Shortland	40
Matthew Herd, Shortland	40
James Shand, Shortland	20
Felix Nickisson, Shortland	20
George Tippen, Shortland	20
Lewis Bassiere Harris, Hamilton	20
Frederick Sing, Shortland	20
Walter Sigley, Auckland	60
Austin O'Grady, Shortland	80
John Robb, Shortland	40
Arthur Heyland, Shortland	20
John Smerdon, Shortland	40
John Hinton, Shortland	20
Dennis Sweeney, Shortland	30
Henry Barry, Shortland	10
James Macdermott, Shortland	20
Arthur Ewen, Shortland	20
Thomas Seccombe, Shortland	40
Michael Walsh, Shortland	20
Alexander Mason Williams, Auckland	40

Dated this third day of October, 1868.

WALTER SIGLEY, Manager.

Witness to Signature—Lowther Broad, Justice of the Peace.

I the undersigned ALEXANDER SAUNDERS, hereby make application to register "The Waterfall Gold Mining Company, Registered," under the provisions of "The Mining Companies Limited Liability Act, 1865;" and that 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 Waterfall Gold Mining Company, Registered."

2. The place of operation is at Waitohi Creek, Thames Gold Field.

3. The nominal capital of the Company is five thousand pounds, in one thousand shares at five pounds.

4. The amount already paid up is three thousand four hundred and seventy-two pounds.

5. The name of the manager is Alexander Saunders.

6. The office of the Company is at Owen Street, Graham's Town.

7. The names and several residences of the shareholders, and the number of shares held by each at this date, are as follows:—

	No. of Shares.
Frederick G. Armstrong, Auckland	34
Frederick Woods, Thames Gold Field	90
Francis James, Auckland	68
William Pardon, Thames Gold Field	56
Richard Blencowe, Thames Gold Field	96
George Waternorth, Thames Gold Field	31
John Tretheway, Thames Gold Field	93
Edmond Townsend, Thames Gold Field	93
John Gordon, Thames Gold Field	56
John B. FitzGerald, Thames Gold Field	31
Frederick Jabez Bennett, Thames Gold Field	34

Charles Dundas, Thames Gold Field ... 124
 Alfred Holmes, Thames Gold Field ... 62

Dated this tenth day of March, 1869.

ALEXANDER SAUNDERS, Manager.

Witness to signature—Jackson Keddell, Justice of the Peace.

I, the undersigned NATHANIEL WILLIAM MASSEY, hereby make application to register "The Prince of Wales 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. That the name and style of the Company is "The Prince of Wales Gold Mining Company, Registered."
2. That the place of operations is at the Moanataiari Creek, at the Thames Gold Field, in the Province of Auckland, in the Colony of New Zealand.
3. That the nominal capital of the Company is six thousand six hundred and ten pounds, in one thousand three hundred and twenty-two shares of five pounds each.
4. That the amount paid up is five thousand four hundred and sixty-five pounds.
5. That the name of the manager is Nathaniel William Massey.
6. That the office of the Company is in Brown Street, Graham's Town.
7. That the names and several residences of the shareholders, and the number of shares held by each at this date, are as follows, namely:—

	No. of Shares.
Francis Cadell, Auckland	46
J. M. Lennox, Auckland	46
John Mullins, Auckland	96
C. F. H. Lloyd, Shortland	36
Alexander Lamb, Graham's Town	71
H. Nicholls, Otahuhu	71
W. Frost, Otahuhu	71
B. Lynch, Otahuhu	48
R. Mullins, Otahuhu	36
Chas. Shipherd, Otahuhu	46
T. MacLarnan, Otahuhu	71
C. W. Styack, Otahuhu	29
P. Bonfield, Shortland	71
J. Wallace, Shortland	46
John Goodfellow, Graham's Town	36
James Soppett, Graham's Town	131
John Soppett, Graham's Town	71
Alex. T. Monro, Graham's Town	71

Dated this twenty-second day of February, 1869.

N. W. MASSEY, Manager.

Declared in the presence of me—(Signed) Jackson Keddell, R.M., a Justice of the Peace.

I, the undersigned EDWARD R. DEAS THOMSON, hereby make application to register "The Epsom Rise 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 Epsom Rise Gold Mining Company, Registered."
2. The place of operations is at the Karaka Creek, Shortland.
3. The nominal capital of the Company is three thousand pounds, in one thousand shares of three pounds each.

4. The amount already paid up is two thousand one hundred and sixty pounds.

5. The name of the manager is Edward R. Deas Thomson.

6. The office of the Company is at Brown Street, Graham's Town.

7. The names and several residences of the shareholders, and the number of shares held at this date, are as follows:—

	No. of Shares.
Robert Murray MacTurk, Shortland	10
William McKinstry, Shortland	80
Robert Cox, Onehunga	80
John Cox, Shortland	40
Edward Brown, Shortland	40
Joseph Harper, Otahuhu	40
William Richards, Shortland	40
Francis Henry Richards, Shortland	40
John Dennerly, Shortland	40
Robert Boyd Scott, Shortland	80
Francis Winter, Otahuhu	40
William Dixon, Shortland	20
Alfred Eustace, Newmarket	40
James Tonies Wade, Sydney	20
Andrew Graham, Shortland	20
John Graham, Shortland	20
Massey and Thomson, Graham's Town	70

Dated this twenty-second day of February, 1869.

EDWARD R. DEAS THOMSON, Manager.

Declared in the presence of Jackson Keddell, R.M., a Justice of the Peace.

I, the undersigned ALEXANDER SAUNDERS, hereby make application to register "Dixon's No. 3 Gold Mining Company, Registered," under the provisions of "The Mining Companies Limited Liability Act, 1865;" and that 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 "Dixon's No. 3 Gold Mining Company, Registered."
2. The place of operation is at Madman's Gully, Thames Gold Field.
3. The nominal capital of the Company is five thousand six hundred pounds.
4. The amount already paid up is four thousand four hundred and eighty pounds.
5. The name of the Manager is Alexander Saunders.
6. The office of the Company is at Owen Street, Graham's Town.
7. The names and several residences of the shareholders, and the number of shares held by each at this date, are as follows:—

	No. of Shares.
George Cashel, Graham's Town	40
Oliver M. Creagh, Graham's Town	40
Robert D. James, Auckland	40
George Kelly, Auckland	10
Freeland B. Kersterman, Shortland	40
Thomas Morrin, Auckland	80
Richard J. Middleton, Graham's Town	40
James M. Merrington, Shortland	40
Alexander Norton, Shortland	40
William M. Orr, Shortland	40
James Rowe, Shortland	40
William R. Scott, Shortland	60
Alexander Saunders, Graham's Town	10
Frederick Symons, Shortland	40

Dated this fourth day of February, 1869.

ALEXANDER SAUNDERS, Manager.

Witness to Signature—Jackson Keddell, R.M., a Justice of the Peace.

I the undersigned THOMAS MACFFARLANE, hereby make application to register "The Lucky Hit 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 knowledge and belief, true in every particular, namely:—

1. The name and style of the Company is "The Lucky Hit Gold Mining Company (Registered)."
2. The place of operations is the Thames Gold Field, in the Province of Auckland.
3. The nominal capital of the Company is ten thousand pounds, in one thousand shares of ten pounds each.
4. The amount already paid up is eight thousand pounds.
5. The name of the manager is Thomas Macffarlane.
6. The office of the Company is at No. 14, Queen Street, Auckland, in the Province of Auckland.
7. The names and addresses of the shareholders, and the number of shares held by each at this date, are as follows:—

	No. of Shares.
Thomas E. Fitzgerald, Auckland ...	50
James Tannock Mackelvie, Auckland ...	50
John Lamb, Riverhead ...	150
Philip Jones, Sydney ...	25
Samuel Browning, Auckland ...	25
John Sangster Macfarlane, Auckland ...	50
The Thames Gold Mining Company, Limited	300
Henry Gillett, Shortland ...	50
J. Franklin Learmonth, Canterbury ...	50
C. Forster Burder, Shortland ...	25
C. D. Stanier, Shortland ...	25
Andrew Beveridge, Auckland ...	50
William Seymour, Shortland ...	25
David Brown Wallace, Shortland ...	50
William Aitken and James Hunter Crawford, Auckland ...	50
James Jackson, Shortland ...	25

Dated this eleventh day of March, 1869.

THOMAS MACFFARLANE,
Manager.

Witness to signature of Thomas Macffarlane—Thomas Henderson, a Justice of the Peace for the Colony of New Zealand.

I the undersigned HENRY POWNING STARK, of Auckland, New Zealand, hereby make application to register "McIsaacs' Gold Mining and Quartz Crushing 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 knowledge and belief, true in every particular, namely:—

1. The name and style of the Company is "McIsaacs' Gold Mining and Quartz Crushing Company, Registered."
2. The place of operations is the Upper Karaka, in the Karaka Block, Thames Gold Field, Province of Auckland.
3. The nominal capital of the Company is eighteen thousand pounds, in eighteen hundred shares of ten pounds each.
4. The amount already paid up is twelve thousand four hundred and eighty pounds.
5. The name in full of the manager is Henry Powning Stark.
6. The office of the Company is at the Auction Mart of the said Henry Powning Stark, in Pollen Street, Shortland, Thames Gold Field, Province of Auckland aforesaid.
7. The names in full and several residences of the shareholders, and the number of shares held by each at this date, are as follows:—

	No. of Shares.
Allan McIsaac, Upper Karaka, Thames Gold Field ...	156
Donald McIsaac, Upper Karaka, Thames Gold Field ...	156
Francis McIsaac, Upper Karaka, Thames Gold Field ...	117
John McIsaac, Upper Karaka, Thames Gold Field ...	156
Joseph McIsaac, Upper Karaka, Thames Gold Field ...	156
Henry Powning Stark, Pollen Street, Shortland, Thames Gold Field ...	312
Angus McIsaac, Upper Karaka, Thames Gold Field ...	39
James Carson, Upper Karaka, Thames Gold Field ...	156
William Dean, Hastings, Tapu Creek, Thames Gold Field ...	78
John Edward Banks, storekeeper, Shortland, Thames Gold Field ...	39
Frederick Robinson Packard, Miner, Shortland, Thames Gold Field ...	39
Edward Henry Power, Pollen Street, Shortland, Thames Gold Field ...	156

Dated this eighteenth day of February, 1869.

H. P. STARK,
Manager.

Witness—Lowther Broad, R.M.

PANAMA, New Zealand, and Australian Royal Mail Company (Limited).—I hereby give notice that my connexion with the above Company ceases this day, and that I am no longer General Manager of the said Company.

H. B. BENSON.
Wellington, 22nd March, 1869.

PARTICULARS of the Estates of Deceased Persons which have been placed under the charge of A. BOARDMAN, Esq., Curator of the Estates of Deceased Persons, during the Month of September, 1868.

No.	Name of Deceased.	Colonial Residence.	Supposed British or Foreign Residence.	Date of Rule or Order.	Value or Estimated Value of Personal Estate.	Time of Deceased's Death.	Remarks.
1	Eliezer B. Gilmer	Poverty Bay	England ...	None required ...	£ s. d. 40 0 0	6 May, 1868.	
2	Patrick Gorman ...	Auckland ...	Ireland ...	None required ...	3 11 8	10 Aug., 1868.	
3	Edward Malcolm...	Auckland ...	Scotland ...	None required ...	11 0 0	Exact date not known.	
4	Edward McCluskey	Auckland ...	Ireland ...	None required ...	34 2 11	26 Sept., 1868.	
5	Duncan MaFarlane	Waikato ...	Born in New Zealand	None required ...	23 7 0	11 Nov., 1865.	
6	Edward Mitchell...	Opotiki ...	Ireland ...	None required ...	6 13 0	8 Oct., 1867.	

Dated at Auckland, the 1st day of October, 1868.

A. BOARDMAN,
Curator.

PARTICULARS of the Estates of Deceased Persons which have been placed under the charge of ALFRED CHETHAM STRODE, Esq., Curator of the Estates of Deceased Persons, during the month of February, 1869.

No.	Name of Deceased.	Colonial Residence.	Supposed British or Foreign Residence.	Date of Rule or Order.	Value or Estimated Value of Personal Estate.	Time of Deceased's Death.	Remarks.
1	Robert Thomson ...	Dunedin ...	Glasgow ...	None required by law	£ s. d. Under 30 0 0	18 Oct., 1868	
2	James Ballantyne	Switzers, Otago	Not known	18 February, 1869	Under 140 0 0	12 May, 1867	

Dated at Dunedin, the 1st day of March, 1869.

A. CHETHAM STRODE,
Curator.

PARTICULARS of the Estate of Deceased Persons which have been placed under the charge of FREDERICK NUTTER, Curator of the Estates of Deceased Persons, during the Month of November, 1868.

No.	Name of Deceased.	Colonial Residence.	Supposed British or Foreign Residence.	Date of Rule or Order.	Value or Estimated Value of Personal Estate.	Time of Deceased's Death.	Remarks.
1	John Mather ...	Invercargill	Coldstream, Scotland.	24 Sept., 1868 ...	£ s. d. 500 0 0	20 Nov., 1868.	

Dated the 2nd day of December, 1868.

FREDERICK NUTTER,
Curator.

PARTICULARS of the Estates of Deceased Persons which have been placed under the charge of A. BOARDMAN, Esq., Curator of the Estates of Deceased Persons, during the Month of May, 1868.

No.	Name of Deceased.	Colonial Residence.	Supposed British or Foreign Residence.	Date of Rule or Order.	Value or Estimated Value of Personal Estate.	Time of Deceased's Death.	Remarks.
1	Joseph Bartlett ...	Raglan ...	England ...	None required ...	£ s. d. 10 6 9	Exact date not known.	
2	Samuel Galbrith ...	Shortland ...	Scotland ...	26 May, 1868 ...	136 19 1	11 April, 1868.	
3	John Rainford ...	Waikato ...	England ...	10 January, 1868	57 0 6	...	
4	Elizabeth Bond ...	Auckland ...	England ...	None required ...	41 8 9	14 May, 1868.	

Dated at Auckland, the 10th day of June, 1868.

A. BOARDMAN,
Curator.

PARTICULARS of the Estates of Deceased Persons which have been placed under the charge of A. BOARDMAN, Esq., Curator of the Estates of Deceased Persons, during the Month of June, 1868.

No.	Name of Deceased.	Colonial Residence.	Supposed British or Foreign Residence.	Date of Rule or Order.	Value or Estimated Value of Personal Estate.	Time of Deceased's Death.	Remarks.
1	John Brown ...	Auckland ...	South Sea Islands	None required ...	£ s. d. 2 3 0	14 May, 1868.	

Dated at Auckland, the 1st day of July, 1868.

A. BOARDMAN,
Curator.

PARTICULARS of the Estates of Deceased Persons which have been placed under the charge of HAROLD HENRY DE BOURBEL, Curator of the Estates of Deceased Persons since the Month of June, 1867.

No.	Name of Deceased.	Colonial Residence.	Supposed British or Foreign Residence.	Date of Rule or Order.	Value or Estimated Value of Personal Estate.	Time of Deceased's Death.	Remarks.
1	Levy, Simon ...	Christchurch	Poland ...	18 June, 1867	£ s. d. 370 0 0	26 Feb., 1867	Deceased was a pedlar (a Jew).
2	McLean, Wm. ...	Ashley ...	Scotland ...	18 June, 1867	...	24 Sept., 1867	There was about £50 value in this estate; but as soon as letters of administration were granted to me, the heir-at-law took possession.
3	Eveleigh, Wm. ...	Timaru ...	England ...	None required	18 0 0	31 July, 1867	Was a farmer. Estate insolvent.
4	Allen, Chas. ...	Woodend ...	England ...	None required	23 0 0	12 Sept., 1867	Deceased died on board the ship "Melita," on his passage from England to New Zealand.
5	Kimpton, Josh.	none	England ...	None required	7 0 0	...	Had been a butcher in Christchurch; very little personal estate.
6	Rowley, John ...	Christchurch	England ...	None required	10 0 0	8 April, 1867	Deceased was practising as a surgeon in Kaiapoi, but was in very bad circumstances. Debts not collected yet.
7	Hurnpage, B. H.	Kaiapoi ...	England ...	None required	Under £50	7 Oct., 1867	Was a carpenter by trade; personal property not worth more than £3.
8	McKillop, John	Christchurch	Melbourne ...	None required	3 0 0	...	Deceased had been on a visit to England, and was returning to Akaroa per ship "Chile," but was washed overboard and drowned. Brother at Akaroa asked me to administer the estate.
9	Porter, Augustus	Akaroa ...	Dublin ...	5 May, 1868	250 0 0	21 Nov., 1867	Deceased was Clerk to the Bench, Timaru. This estate appears to be insolvent; the assets will not come up to £500 if all debts are collected.
10	Simmonds, Horace	Timaru ...	England ...	None required	17 3 4	Dec., 1867	
11	Gwatkin, A. F....	Lyttelton ...	England ...	Not yet obtained	Under £500	5 May, 1868	

Dated the 30th day of May, 1868.

H. H. DE BOURBEL, Curator.

PARTICULARS of the Estates of Deceased Persons which have been placed under the charge of A. BOARDMAN, Esq., Curator of the Estates of Deceased Persons, during the Month of November, 1867.

No.	Name of Deceased.	Colonial Residence.	Supposed British or Foreign Residence.	Date of Rule or Order.	Value or Estimated Value of Personal Estate.	Time of Deceased's Death.	Remarks.
1	John Buckley ...	Onehunga...	England ...	Not required ...	£ s. d. 0 2 2	19 July, 1867	Was murdered about that date.
2	Alfred A. J. Campbell	Tauranga ...	Scotland ...	19 November, 1867	55 10 0	9 Jan., 1867	
3	Thomas Condon ...	Kaipara ...	Ireland ...	Not required ...	8 7 11	26 Oct., 1867	
4	Thomas Thomas ...	Auckland ...	Wales ...	Not required ...	2 14...6	31 Oct., 1867	

Dated at Auckland, the 30th day of November, 1867.

A. BOARDMAN,
Curator.

ABSTRACT of METEOROLOGICAL OBSERVATIONS, New Zealand, for the Month of JANUARY, 1869.

STATIONS.	BAROMETR.		TEMPERATURE FROM SELF-REGISTERING INSTRUMENTS, READ IN MORNING FOR TWENTY-FOUR HOURS PREVIOUSLY.					COMPUTED FROM OBSERVATIONS.		RAIN.		WIND.		Cloud.
	Mean Reading	Extr'me Range.	Mean Temp. in Shade.	Mean Daily Range of Temp.	Extr'me Range of Temp.	Max. Temp. in Sun's Rays.	Min. Temp. on Grass.	Mean Elastic Force of Vapour.	Mean Deg. of Moist. (Saturation =100.)	Total Fall in Month (inches)	No. of Days on which Rain fell.	Average Daily Force in Miles for Month.	Maximum Velocity in Miles in any 24 hours, and date.	Mean Amount for Month (0to10).
MONGONUI ...	29-908	683	67.5	16.6	30.0	129.0*	45.0	.518	77.	3.750	13	...	...	5.3
Same month previous 2 years	29-897	...	66.1	...	...	...	...	.475	74.	2.945	9	...	...	...
AUCKLAND ...	29-890	700	66.6	15.6	28.9	149.8	40.3	.506	78.	4.982	14	307.0	533, 3rd	5.4
Same month previous 4 years	29-788	...	70.6	...	...	...	...	.535	68.	3.105	7	...	...	...
TARANAKI ...	29-862	732	66.6	14.1	35.0	150.0†	...	.456	69.	2.970	9	229.0	610, 29th	5.9
Same month previous 5 years	29-906	...	65.0	...	...	...	...	.502	72.	3.952	11	...	...	...
NAPIER ...	29-860	711	67.7	15.6	34.2	138.8	...	.472	69.	1.850	13	224.0	416, 3rd	4.9
Same month previous 2 years	29-751	...	64.3	...	...	...	...	...	...	4.435	6	...	...	...
WELLINGTON ...	29-897	820	62.7	15.1	31.5	135.0	42.0	.419	73.	4.130	11	173.0	385, 21st	4.3
Same month previous 5 years	29-837	...	62.9	...	...	...	...	.395	69.	4.580	11	...	...	...
NELSON ...	29-842	693	64.2	26.5	42.0	...	...	.446	74.	1.780	4	149.0	335, 1st	5.2
Same month previous 5 years	29-874	...	61.0	...	...	...	...	.509	74.	7.514	6	...	...	...
CHRISTCHURCH ...	29-844	984	61.8	18.1	48.1	157.7	23.2	.396	72.	1.135	8	204.0	490, 3rd	6.4
Same month previous 5 years	29-794	...	61.8	...	...	...	...	.432	73.	2.544	8	...	...	...
HOKITIKA ...	29-875	728	58.0	12.4	33.2	92.8	...	.396	81.	4.680	14	149.0	369, 20th	5.4
Same month previous 2 years	29-907	...	60.9	...	...	...	...	.485	90.	10.306	18	...	...	...
DUNEDIN ...	29-886	989	55.8	13.8	31.0	145.0	32.0	.342	77.	3.522	16	222.0	950, 3rd	7.0
Same month previous 5 years	29-837	...	57.1	...	...	...	...	.339	70.	5.002	20	...	...	...
SOUTHLAND ...	29-803	1.055	58.3	20.0	44.2	150.0	24.0	.344	71.	3.240	11	...	...	4.3
Same month previous 4 years	29-754	...	55.2	...	...	...	...	.330	72.	6.824	16	...	...	...

* For twenty-one days only.

† For seventeen days only.

NOTES.

Mongonui.—On the 3rd, very strong wind from N.W.; thunder and lightning occurred on 4th, 17th, 25th, 28th, and 29th; rain, and degree of moisture rather high.

Auckland.—On 3rd, violent gale from N.W., with rain; stormy on 20th, from S.W.; stormy on 28th, with thunder and rain, from N.; a good deal of wet and stormy weather.

Taranaki.—Very severe thunder-storms at this Station from 14th to 17th, and also on 26th, 28th, and 31st,—with strong wind especially on 20th from N.W., and on 30th and 31st from S.E., with heavy rain; on the 14th, the lightning was very severe, and caused considerable damage; on 31st, during the thunder-storm, half an inch of rain fell in less than a quarter of an hour; three slight earthquakes on 10th.

Napier.—Gale from N.E. on the 3rd, with rain; on the 29th, gale from S.E., with thunder, lightning, and rain; thunder and lightning on 28th and 29th; thirteen days of N.E. winds.

Wellington.—High wind on 7th, N.W.; also stormy and wet on 29th; 1.820 inch of rain on 30th, with S.E. wind; from the 11th to the 19th the weather was unusually warm and oppressive; slight earthquake on 9th; seventeen days of N.W. wind.

Nelson.—Stormy on 1st from N.E., and on 20th from S.W.; very loud thunder on the 14th, 15th, and 17th; very slight rainfall.

Christchurch.—Windy weather on 2nd and 3rd from N.E., with rain; strong E. wind on 16th and 17th; on 20th, stormy, from N.W.; stormy weather on the whole, chiefly from E.; slight rainfall.

Hokitika.—Very fine pleasant weather at this Station during the month; light winds, principally from N.W., and small rainfall; thunder on 26th,—and also on the 31st, with lightning.

Dunedin.—Gale from N.E., with rain, on 2nd; very heavy rain on 27th (1.690 inch); solar halo observed on afternoon of 23rd; fine weather.

Southland.—The weather was on the whole fine at this Station. The Observer remarks that a gale occurred on the 3rd and 4th, blowing first from E. and then from N.W.,—the barometer fell until the storm abated, when it stood at 28.96, then rose; on the 19th, the barometer fell to 28.97, and a heavy gale (W.N.W.) was experienced on the 20th; heavy rain on 27th, 1.01 inch fell in twenty-four hours; thunder-storm on 26th; two smart shocks of earthquake felt on the 14th.

GENERAL REMARKS.

Several heavy thunder-storms have been experienced throughout the Colony during this month, but they have been especially severe at Taranaki and some of the other Stations in the North Island. The rainfall on the whole has been considerably lower than usual.

February, 1869.

JAMES HECTOR,
Inspector of Meteorological Stations.

A TRUE and PERFECT SCHEDULE of all BALANCES paid into the Treasury of the Colony of New Zealand at Otago, on the 21st day of April, 1865, on account of Deceased Persons' Estates administered by ROBERT CHAPMAN, Esq., Registrar of the Supreme Court of New Zealand, as, Official Administrator.

Names of Intestates.	Colonial Residence.	Supposed British or other Residence of Family.	Money received.	Payments made.	Balance in hands of Registrar.	Balance paid into Treasury.
Thomas Griffiths	Tuapeka Gold Field	Not known	£ s. d. 51 3 1	£ s. d. 5 14 0	£ s. d. ...	£ s. d. 45 9 1
Anthanasay	Dunstan Gold Field	Cluthara, Greece	10 15 6	9 2 6	...	1 13 0
Johnny Wahn	Dunedin	Not known	14 2 0	10 4 0	...	3 18 0
William McKinnon	Queenstown	Scotland	44 12 4	7 6 0	...	37 6 4
George Jack	Wakatip Gold Field	Not known	116 18 6	32 11 3	...	84 7 3
James Allan	Ditto	Ditto	103 18 1	28 5 9	...	75 12 4
Peter Hunter	Ditto	Ditto	8 10 9½	4 14 9½	...	3 16 0
Thomas Connell	Waitahuna Gold Field	Ditto	17 7 11	2 14 6	...	14 13 5
James Smith	Taieri District	Scotland	110 9 3	108 17 2	...	1 12 1
William Ebsworth	Dunedin	Not known	244 10 3	38 3 0	...	206 7 3
Avery P. Allyn	Ditto	Ditto	4 2 0	1 5 0	...	2 17 0
Jeremiah Scully	West Taieri Gold Field	Canturk, Cork, Ireland.	3 10 6	2 16 0	...	0 14 6
Edward Law	Waikouaiti	England	69 16 6	62 11 0	...	7 5 6
George Davis	Ditto	Ditto	211 17 4	211 9 4	...	0 8 0
Michael Liddy	Wakatip Gold Field	County Clare, Ireland	245 2 1	179 12 1	...	65 10 8
Bartholomew Freeman	McPherson's Gold Field	Sligo, Ireland	12 4 6	9 4 0	...	3 0 6
William Nicolls	Otago Gold Field	Castlemaine, Victoria	15 15 2	2 14 0	...	13 1 1
Edward John Garvey	Dunedin	Ireland	79 15 4	79 1 0	...	0 14 4
James Steen	Ditto	Fermanagh, Ireland	20 0 0	12 3 0	...	7 17 0
Donald Ross	Ditto	Achnahanet, Ross-shire, Scotland.	125 9 1	28 10 0	...	96 19 1
William Purse	Dunstan Gold Field	Whitechurch, Belfast, Ireland.	15 7 3	12 8 0	...	2 19 3
George Garland Weston	Woolshed Gold Field	London, England	72 8 6	27 1 6	...	45 7 0
John Thompson	Dunedin	Not known	3 4 8	0 16 6	...	2 8 2
Joseph Paul	Nokomai Gold Field	Ditto	10 7 6	2 8 0	...	7 19 6
Archibald Cameron	Wakari	Scotland	20 0 0	15 5 6	...	4 14 6
Daniel Bennie	Hindon Gold Field	Not known	20 8 6	12 18 0	...	7 10 6
Robert Weatherspoon	Dunedin	Ditto	7 3 6	1 3 6	...	6 0 0
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ROBERT CHAPMAN.

I certify that the above sum of seven hundred and fifty pounds one shilling and fourpence sterling has been paid into this Sub-Treasury.

Sub-Treasury,
Otago, 21st April, 1865.

CHAS. LOGIE,
Sub-Treasurer.

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 under-mentioned 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 names in the annexed Schedule.

New Zealand Company's Land Claimants Office,
23rd March, 1869.

DAVID LEWIS,
Commissioner.

SCHEDULE.

No. of Report.	No. of Claim.	Name of Claimant.	Commissioner's Decision.
1457	1704	Joseph Samuel Lescher	Entitled to a Crown Grant of Section No. 185, on the Plan of the City of Wellington.
1458	658	James Poulter	Entitled to a Crown Grant of the Rural Section No. 6, on the Plan of the Wainuiomata District.
1459	1654	Edwin Henry Downe, a Minor	Entitled to Crown Grants of the Sections No. 949, 951, 1075, and 1076, on the Plan of the City of Wellington. Also to Grants of the Rural Sections No. 361, 362, 363, and 365, in the Block surveyed by the New Zealand Company at Manawatu. Subject, nevertheless, to Clause VI., "Land Orders and Scrip Act, 1858." Also that the said Edwin Henry Downe is entitled to select 300 acres of Rural Land, subject to Clause II. of the above-mentioned Act. The Legal Estate to be vested in the Grantee from and after the 24th day of April, 1850.