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G. F. BOWEN, Governor.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government Offices, at Wellington, this
fourteenth day of May, 1869.

Present :

THE HONORABLE THE COLONIAL SECRETARY, PRESID-
ING, AND MEMBERS OF THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL.

WHEREAS by an Act of the General Assembly
of New Zealand, intituled "The Native
Reserves Amendment Act, 1862," it is amongst other
things provided, that where, under the provisions of
"The Native Reserves Act, 1856," the assent of the
aboriginal inhabitants is required to bringing land
under the operation of the said "Native Reserves
Act, 1856," the Governor may, by Order in Council,
declare such assent to have been ascertained, and
thereupon the title of the aboriginal inhabitants in
the land to which the same shall relate shall be
deemed to be extinguished, and the lands shall, from
the date of such Order in Council, vest in Her
Majesty, for the purposes and subject to the pro-
visions of the said "Native Reserves Act, 1856," as
attested by the recited Act, and that as effectually
as if the same had been ceded and conveyed by such
aboriginal inhabitants to Her Majesty :

Now, therefore, His Excellency the Governor, by
and with the advice and consent of the Executive
Council, doth hereby declare that the assent of the
aboriginal inhabitants to the bringing the piece of
land described in the Schedule hereunder written
under the operation of "The Native Reserves Act,
1856," has been ascertained.

FORSTER GORING,
Clerk of the Executive Council.

SCHEDULE.

All that piece of land situate at Westport in
the District of Buller, bounded towards the North
by a public road, 4,214 links ; towards the East also
by a public road along the banks of the River
Orowaiti, 475 links, 800 links, 485 links, and 585
links ; towards the South by sections 68, 69, and 70,
3,222 links, by section 213, 950 links, and by sections
213 and 215, 2,610 links ; and towards the West, 510
links, by a public road, and containing by admeasure-
ment fifty (50) acres more or less.

I, ALEXANDER MACKAY, a person duly
appointed in this behalf, under the provisions
of "The New Zealand Native Reserves Act, 1856,"
hereby certify and report that I have ascertained
that the aboriginal inhabitants entitled to the piece
or parcel of land described in the Schedule hereunder
written have assented that the said piece or parcel
of land shall be subject to the provisions of the said
Act.

As witness my hand this fourth day of May,
1869.

ALEXANDER MACKAY.

SCHEDULE above referred to.

All that piece of land situate at Westport, in the
District of Buller, bounded towards the North by a
public road, 4,214 links ; towards the East also by a
public road along the banks of the River Orowaiti,
475 links, 800 links, 485 links, and 585 links ; towards
the South by sections 68, 69, and 70, 3,222 links, by
section 213, 950 links, and by sections 213 and 215,
2,610 links ; and towards the West, 510 links, by a
public road, and containing by admeasurement fifty
(50) acres more or less.

Report adopted this fourteenth day of May, 1869,
with the advice and consent of the Executive Council
of the Colony.

G. F. BOWEN,
Governor.

FORSTER GORING,
Clerk of the Executive Council.

We, the undersigned, the owners of the above-
described piece of land at Westport, in the District
of Buller, have agreed that the same shall be brought
under the provisions of "The Native Reserves Act,
1856."

HAKARAIA TE PIKI,
WIKI RIRIA TE PIKI.

Witnesses—

J. T. Catley, Sub-Treasurer, Nelson.
Wiremu Katene, of Wakapuaka.
Tamati Pirimona, of Kawatiri, his mark.
Alexander Mackay, Commissioner, Native Re-
serves.

Ko maua nga tangata nana nga ingoa kua tuhi tuhi iho i raro nei, na maua te pihi whenua i Westport i te takiwa o te Pura kua oti nei te wakaatu atu ki runga kua wakaae maua kia tukua ki te Ture mo nga whenua rahui a nga Maori, nga tikanga mo aua pihi whenua.

HAKARAIA TE PIKI.
WIKI RIRIA TE PIKI.

Ki atitiro—

J. T. Catley, Sub-Treasurer, Nelson.
Wiremu Katene, o Wakapuaka.
Tamati Pirimona, o Kawatiri, toru o tohu.
Alexander Mackay, Commissioner, Native Reserves.

G. F. BOWEN, Governor.

WHEREAS by an Act of the General Assembly of New Zealand, intituled "The Gold Fields Act, 1866," it is enacted that it shall be lawful for the Governor in Council, under his hand and the Public Seal of the Colony, from time to time to delegate to the Superintendent of any Province, or such other person as the Governor may deem fit, all or any of the powers vested in the Governor or the Governor in Council by the Act now in recital, except the powers conferred by sections twenty-two, forty, forty-eight, sixty, ninety-six, and one hundred and seven of the said Act, subject or not to any limitations or restrictions as he may think fit, and in like manner to alter or revoke any such powers:

Now therefore I, Sir George Ferguson Bowen, the Governor as aforesaid of the said Colony, with the advice and consent of the Executive Council thereof, and in the exercise of the power and authority for this purpose in me vested, do hereby delegate unto

WILLIAM ROLLESTON, Esquire,

as Superintendent of the Province of Canterbury, all the powers vested in me under or by virtue of the said "Gold Fields Act, 1866," except the powers conferred by sections twenty-two, forty, forty-eight, sixty, ninety-six, and one hundred and seven, to have, hold, and exercise within the Province of Canterbury the said powers hereby given to the said William Rolleston, Esquire, so long as he shall continue and remain Superintendent of the said Province, and no longer: Provided always that copies of all rules and regulations made under the delegation aforesaid shall be forthwith transmitted to the Colonial Secretary, in order that the same may be laid before the General Assembly, in accordance with the provisions of the one hundred and tenth clause of "The Gold Fields Act, 1866."

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; and issued under the Seal of the said Colony, at Wellington, this second day of June, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixty-nine.

E. W. STAFFORD.

Approved in Council.

FORSTER GORING,
Clerk of the Executive Council.

G. F. BOWEN, Governor.

TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS SHALL COME,
GREETING:

WHEREAS by "The Regulation of Elections Act, 1858," it is enacted that it shall be lawful for the Governor, by warrant under his hand, from

time to time to appoint polling places for each Electoral District, within or without the limits thereof, and to appoint any one of such places to be the principal polling place for the district, and all or any of such polling places at any time to abolish, and to appoint other polling places in lieu thereof: And whereas, by warrant under the hand of the Governor, dated the 26th day of May, 1869, the Resident Magistrate's Court, Otaki, was appointed a polling place for the election of Superintendent and Members of the Provincial Council of the Province of Wellington:

And whereas it is expedient to abolish the same:

Now know ye that I, Sir George Ferguson Bowen, the Governor of the said Colony, in pursuance of the power and authority in me vested by the said Act, do hereby abolish the above-named polling place for the Province of Wellington for the election of Superintendent and Members of the Provincial Council.

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 issued at Wellington, this first day of June, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixty-nine.

E. W. STAFFORD.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Wellington, 2nd June, 1869.

HIS Excellency the Governor has, in Her Majesty's name, summoned

The Hon. FRANCIS DART FENTON,

of Auckland, in the Province of Auckland, to the Legislative Council of New Zealand, by Writ of Summons under the Seal of the Colony.

E. W. STAFFORD.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Wellington, 2nd June, 1869.

IT is hereby notified, that a Writ issued for the election of a Member of the House of Representatives for the District of Oamaru has been returned with a certificate to the effect that

CHARLES CHRISTIE GRAHAM,

of Ben Lomond, Maerewhenua River, Otago, Freeholder, has been duly elected.

E. W. STAFFORD.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
(Judicial Branch),
Wellington, 27th May, 1869.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint

RICHARD MORRIS

to be Clerk to the Bench at Oxford, under "The Resident Magistrate's Act, 1867."

E. W. STAFFORD.

Colonial Defence Office,
Wellington, 1st June, 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 Trooper of the Kai Iwi Cavalry Volunteers, whose claim to the same has been submitted to His Excellency on account of the Act of Bravery performed by him, as stated against his name:—

Corps.	Rank and Name.	Act of Bravery for which recommended.
Kai Iwi Cavalry Volunteers.	Trooper William Lingard	For his gallant conduct before the enemy on the 28th December, 1868. While the Kai Iwi and Wanganui Troops of Cavalry Volunteers were reconnoitring the enemy's position at Taurangaka, a portion of the force galloped in close to the palisades of the pa, receiving the enemy's fire at the distance of a few yards, several men becoming dismounted through having their horses shot. Trooper Lingard rode past the pa, at the distance of about 40 yards, and cut with his sword the tether line of a horse belonging to the enemy, brought it to one of his comrades whose horse was shot, and assisted him to mount thereon.

T. M. HAULTAIN.

Colonial Defence Office,
Wellington, 31st May, 1869.

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

In the Napier Militia.

Charles Alexander Humfrey to be Captain. Date of commission, 24th April, 1869.

Henry de Lisle Tupper to be Ensign. Date of commission, 19th May, 1869.

In the Auckland Naval Artillery Volunteers.

Alfred Edward Isaacs to be Second Lieutenant. Date of commission, 5th May, 1869.

In the Wanganui Cavalry Volunteers.

Major John Nixon (Wanganui Militia) to be Captain. Date of commission, 3rd May, 1869.

In the "Lady Bowen's" Light Horse Volunteers.

Albert Henry Nicholson to be Captain. Date of commission, 8th December, 1868.

Charles E. Beetham to be Lieutenant. Date of commission, 8th December, 1868.

William Evans to be Cornet. Date of commission, 14th April, 1869.

In the Wairoa (Hawke's Bay) Rifle Volunteers.

John Jude Taylor to be Captain. Date of commission, 1st May, 1869.

Alexander Gethin to be Ensign. Date of commission, 1st May, 1869.

In the Lyttelton Artillery Volunteers.

Surgeon John Thomas Rouse (Canterbury Rifle Volunteers) to be Surgeon. Date of commission, 22nd March, 1862.

T. M. HAULTAIN.

Colonial Defence Office,
Wellington, 31st May, 1869.

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

Captain Donald Gollan, Napier Militia.

Captain T. N. E. Kenny, Picton Company, Marlborough Rangers Volunteers.

Captain A. T. Thompson, Pelorus Rangers Rifle Volunteers.

T. M. HAULTAIN.

Colonial Defence Office,
Wellington, 31st May, 1869.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to cancel the commissions held by the under-mentioned officers, viz. :—

Lieutenant Joseph Johnston, Prince Alfred Rifle Volunteers, for absence from the Province without leave.

Ensign John Purdie, Taranaki Militia.

T. M. HAULTAIN.

Colonial Defence Office,
Wellington, 31st May, 1869.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to accept the services of the under-mentioned corps, viz. :—

The Prince Alfred Light Horse Volunteers. Date of acceptance, 20th March, 1869.

T. M. HAULTAIN.

Native Office,
Wellington, 1st June, 1869.

IT is hereby notified that
GEORGE VAUSE
has been authorized to act as an Interpreter under "The Native Lands Act, 1865," and "The Native Lands Act, 1867."

J. C. RICHMOND.

Native Office,
Wellington, 1st June, 1869.

IT is hereby notified that
HERBERT W. BRABANT
has been authorized to act as Interpreter under "The Native Lands Act, 1865," and "The Native Lands Act, 1867."

J. C. RICHMOND.

General Post Office,
Wellington, 1st June, 1869.

NOTICE is hereby given that the name of the Post Office in the Province of Hawke's Bay known as

THE SPIT

has been changed to

PORT AHURIRI.

By order,

G. ELLIOTT ELLIOTT,
Secretary.General Post Office,
Wellington, 1st June, 1869.

IT is hereby notified for general information, that on and after the 1st July next the Post Office

PORT AHURIRI,

in the Province of Hawke's Bay, will be constituted an office for the exchange of separate mails and other purposes under the 22nd clause of the Postal Regulations of 16th July, 1867, and also an office for the transaction of Money Order and Savings Bank business.

By order,

G. ELLIOTT ELLIOTT,
Secretary.General Post Office,
Wellington, 1st June, 1869.

THE following Notice, received from the General Post Office, Adelaide, is published for general information.

By order,

G. ELLIOTT ELLIOTT,
Secretary.General Post Office,
Adelaide, 11th May, 1869.

NOTICE is hereby given, that a Money Order Office will be opened on 1st June next at Port Wakefield.

J. W. LEWIS,
Postmaster-General.

Registrar-General's Office,
Wellington, 31st May, 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 DONALD ROSS.

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; No. 15, of the 19th of March; No. 16, of the 25th of March; No. 18, of the 1st of April; No. 22, of the 17th of April; No. 23, of the 27th of April, and No. 25, of the 13th of May, in the present year.

Given under my hand, at Wellington, this thirty-first day of May, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-nine.

JOHN B. BENNETT,
Registrar-General.

Office of the Registrar of Joint Stock Companies,
Christchurch, 21st May, 1869.

I, EDWARD DENHAM, Registrar of Joint Stock Companies for the Province of Canterbury do hereby notify that I have registered a Memorandum of Association, with Articles of Association annexed, establishing a Company, with limited liability of the shareholders therein, intituled

"The Canterbury Meat Export Company, Limited."

The objects for which the Company is established are, the procuring by purchase or otherwise of animals alive or dead, and the general utilization of every portion of the carcasses of such animals, by preserving and making fit for human consumption as food, by any process whatever, any portion of the flesh of such animals; the manufacture of tallow, and the dressing and preparation of wool, skins, bones, pelts, and offal by any process whatever, and the disposing thereof by exportation, sale, or otherwise; and the doing all such other things as are incidental or conducive to the attainment of the above objects:

And that, in pursuance of "The Joint Stock Companies Act, 1860," I have issued a Certificate of Incorporation of the said Company, bearing date the twenty-first day of May, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-nine.

EDWARD DENHAM,
Registrar of Joint Stock Companies.

NOTICE is hereby given, that the Partnership heretofore subsisting between John Hamilton Ward and Arthur Wellington Palmer, as Fellmongers and Wool Scourers, at the Heathcote Wharf, Ferry Road, near Christchurch, in the Province of Canterbury, under the style of "Palmer and Co.," has this day been dissolved by mutual consent. All debts due to or from the late firm will be received and paid by the said J. H. Ward.

Dated this 21st day of May, 1869.

J. HAMILTON WARD.
ARTHUR W. PALMER.

Witness to the signatures of J. H. Ward and A. W. Palmer,—Geo. Taylor, Clerk to Hanmer and Harper, Solicitors, Christchurch.

I, the undersigned JAMES HOLMES HANSON, hereby make application to register "The Royal Sovereign Gold Mining Company," 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 Royal Sovereign Gold Mining Company, Registered."
2. The place of operations is at Wiseman's Gully, Karaka Block, Thames.
3. The nominal capital of the Company is fourteen thousand pounds, in one thousand four hundred shares of ten pounds each.
4. The amount already paid up is ten thousand five hundred pounds.
5. The name of the manager is James Holmes Hanson.
6. The office of the Company is in Shortland 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:—

	No. of Shares.
James Holmes Hanson, Whau	200
John Hanson, Whau	100
John Salton, Shortland	100
Charles Goodwill, Otahuhu	100
John Griffiths, Auckland	50
John Mulville, Shortland	40
Charles B. Denny, Shortland	100
Henry Nicholls, Otahuhu	70
John A. Kinder, Shortland	60
John Hay, Auckland	100
F. Fetley, Shortland	140
William Holdsworth, Shortland	100
C. Osborne	100
Peacock, Auckland	30
E. Griffiths, Auckland	50
J. Scott, Auckland	50

Dated this twenty-second day of April, 1869.

J. H. HANSON,
Legal Manager.

Witness to signature—Henry Weekes, J.P.

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STATEMENT of the Average Amount of LIABILITIES and ASSETS of the BANK OF NEW ZEALAND, within the Colony, during the Quarter ended 29th MARCH, 1869.

LIABILITIES.				ASSETS.			
	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
Notes in Circulation	282,567	15	3	Coined Gold and Silver, and other			
Bills in Circulation	20,845	11	9	Coined Metal	411,382	14	6
Balances due to other Banks	16,001	11	6	Gold and Silver in Bullion or Bars	92,730	15	3
Government Deposits	270,877	13	10	Notes and Bills of other Banks	7,215	11	9
Other Deposits—				Balances due from other Banks	136,733	11	7
Not bearing Interest	706,162	18	6	Landed Property	21,975	18	4
Bearing Interest	411,591	15	9	Amount of all other Securities—			
	1,388,632	8	1	1. Notes and Bills Discounted	780,600	6	5
				2. Colonial Government Securities	49,977	19	6
				3. Other Funded Securities			
				4. Debts due to the Bank (exclusive of Debts abandoned as bad)	750,227	12	6
				5. Securities not included under the above heads	225,893	13	1
Total Average Liabilities	£1,708,047	6	7	Total Average Assets	£2,476,738	2	11

Amount of the Capital Stock paid up at the close of the Quarter ended the 29th March, 1869 £ 500,000 0 0
 Rate of the last Dividend declared to the Shareholders 15 p cent. p annum.
 Amount of the last Dividend declared 37,500 0 0
 Amount of the Reserved Profits at the time of declaring such Dividend 196,054 16 4

Dated at Auckland, this 29th day of April, 1869.

D. L. MURDOCH, Inspector.
 FREDK. BATTLE, Inspector's Accountant.

STATEMENT of the Average Amount of the LIABILITIES and ASSETS of the UNION BANK OF AUSTRALIA, within the Colony of New Zealand, during the Quarter ended 29th MARCH, 1869.

LIABILITIES.				ASSETS.			
	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
Notes in Circulation	112,097	4	8	Coined Gold and Silver, and other			
Bills in Circulation	15,026	12	8	Coined Metal	281,869	14	5
Balances due to other Banks				Gold or Silver in Bullion or Bars	28,500	10	3
Government Deposits	£261	9	11	Notes and Bills of other Banks	2,229	2	8
Other Deposits—				Balances due from other Banks	35,678	8	9
Not bearing Interest	450,470	4	11	Landed Property	43,671	4	5
Bearing Interest	315,500	18	10	Amount of all other Securities—			
	766,232	13	8	1. Notes and Bills Discounted	570,929	8	4
				2. Colonial Government Securities			
				3. Other Funded Securities			
				4. Debts due to the Bank (exclusive of Debts abandoned as bad)	353,987	13	2
				5. Securities not included under the above heads	5,147	12	1
Total Average Liabilities	£893,356	11	0	Total Average Assets	£1,322,013	14	1

Amount of the Capital Stock paid up at the close of the Quarter ended 31st December, 1868 £ 1,250,000 0 0
 Rate of the last Dividend declared to the Shareholders 15 p cent. p annum.
 Amount of the last Dividend declared 93,750 0 0
 Amount of the Reserved Profits at the time of declaring such Dividend 499,080 7 3

Dated at Wellington, this 21st day of April, 1869.

GEO. CORRIE, Assistant Inspector.
 W. KNOWLES, Accountant.

STATEMENT of the Average Amount of the LIABILITIES and ASSETS of the BANK OF NEW SOUTH WALES, in NEW ZEALAND, during the Quarter ended 31st MARCH, 1869.

LIABILITIES.			ASSETS.		
	£	s. d.		£	s. d.
Notes in Circulation	130,570	0 8	Coined Gold and Silver, and other		
Bills in Circulation	2,941	16 11	Coined Metal	195,633	3 11
Balances due to other Banks	3,819	10 11	Gold and Silver in Bullion or Bars	48,997	4 1
Government Deposits . . . . .	...		Notes and Bills of other Banks	2,785	6 8
Other Deposits—			Balances due from other Banks	10,128	9 7
Not bearing Interest £334,806 6 1 } 663,077 6 8			Landed Property	21,886	11 2
Bearing Interest . 328,271 0 7 }			Amount of all other Securities—		
			1. Notes and Bills Discounted	494,785	17 2
			2. Colonial Government Securities	10	
			3. Other Funded Securities	13	
			4. Debts due to Bank (exclusive of Debts abandoned as bad)	579	
			5. Securities not included under the above heads	10	
				262,739	13 6
				94,054	3 2
Total Average Liabilities	£800,408	15 2	Total Average Assets	£1,131,010	9 3

Amount of the Capital Stock paid up at the close of the Quarter ended 30th September, 1868 £ 1,000,000 0 0
Rate of the last Dividend declared to the Shareholders 15 $\frac{1}{2}$ cent. $\frac{1}{2}$ annum.
Amount of last Dividend declared 75,000 0 0
Amount of the Reserved Profits at the time of declaring such Dividend 337,841 1 8
Dated at Wellington, this 19th day of April, 1869.

EDWARD MILLER, Manager.

J. W. ROBERTON PERSTON, Accountant.

STATEMENT of the Average Amount of LIABILITIES and ASSETS of the BANK OF AUSTRALASIA within the Colony of NEW ZEALAND, during the Quarter ended 31st MARCH, 1869.

LIABILITIES.			ASSETS.		
	£	s. d.		£	s. d.
Notes in Circulation	34,370	16 10	Coined Gold and Silver, and other		
Bills in Circulation	4,561	11 4	Coined Metals	55,257	2 1
Balances due to other Banks . . . . .	...		Gold and Silver in Bullion and Bars	20,036	13 3
Government Deposits . . . . .	...		Notes and Bills of other Banks	513	10 4
Other Deposits—			Balances due from other Banks . . . . .	...
Not bearing Interest £99,795 19 3 } 162,454 17 8			Landed Property	31,456	18 5
Bearing Interest . 62,658 18 5 }			Amount of all other Securities—		
			1. Notes and Bills Discounted	281,534	7 6
			2. Colonial Government Securities	7	
			3. Other Funded Securities	10	
			4. Debts due to the Bank (exclusive of Debts abandoned as bad)	791	
			5. Securities not included under the above heads	10	
				93,699	11 10
				557	8 6
Total Average Liabilities	£201,387	5 10	Total Average Assets	£483,055	11 11

Amount of the Capital Stock paid up at the close of the Quarter ended 31st March, 1869 £ 1,200,000 0 0
Rate of the last Dividend declared to the Shareholders, 6 per cent. per annum, and bonus of 4 per cent., equal to 10 $\frac{1}{2}$ cent. $\frac{1}{2}$ annum
Amount of the last Dividend declared 60,000 0 0
Amount of the Reserved Profits at the time of declaring such Dividend 332,284 2 5
Dated at Wellington, this 26th day of April, 1869.

THOS. BUCHANAN, Manager.

H. DAVIS, Accountant.

STATEMENT of the Average Amount of LIABILITIES and ASSETS of the BANK OF OTAGO (LIMITED), at DUNEDIN, during the Quarter ended 31st MARCH, 1869.

LIABILITIES.			ASSETS.		
	£	s. d.		£	s. d.
Notes in Circulation	32,624	1 7	Coined Gold and Silver, and other Coined Metal	28,164	5 1
Bills in Circulation	15	16 0	Gold or Silver in Bullion or Bars	5,636	17 8
Balances due to other Banks	13,647	17 5	Notes and Bills of other Banks	1,373	18 6
Government Deposits	...		Balances due from other Banks	9,569	9 4
Other Deposits—			Landed Property	20,473	17 10
Not bearing Interest	£87,670	5 10	Amount of all other Securities—		
Bearing Interest	61,224	3 6	1. Notes and Bills Discounted	118,341	17 8
	148,894	9 4	2. Colonial Government Securities		
			3. Other Funded Securities		
			4. Debts due to the Bank (exclusive of Debts abandoned as bad)	£316,529	
			5. Securities not included under the above heads	198,187	9 11
Total Average Liabilities	£195,182	4 4	Total Average Assets	£381,747	16 0

Amount of the Capital Stock paid up at the close of the Quarter ended 31st March, 1869 £ s. d. 231,564 16 9
 Rate of the last Dividend declared to the Shareholders 6 7/8 cent. 7/8 annum.
 Amount of the last Dividend declared 7,198 12 2
 Amount of the Reserved Profits at the time of declaring such Dividend 5,958 18 10
 Dated at Dunedin, this 10th day of April, 1869.

W. J. M. LARNACH, Colonial Manager.
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GENERAL ABSTRACT of the LIABILITIES and ASSETS, and of the CAPITAL and PROFITS, of the under-mentioned BANKS in the Colony of NEW ZEALAND, for the Quarter ended 31st MARCH, 1869.

BANKS.	LIABILITIES.				
	Notes in Circulation.	Bills in Circulation.	Balances due to other Banks.	Deposits.	Total Liabilities.
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Bank of New Zealand	282,567 15 3	20,845 11 9	16,001 11 6	1,388,632 8 1	1,708,047 6 7
Union Bank of Australia	112,097 4 8	15,026 12 8	...	766,232 13 8	893,356 11 0
Bank of New South Wales	130,370 0 8	2,941 16 11	3,819 10 11	663,077 6 8	800,408 15 2
Bank of Australasia	34,370 16 10	4,561 11 4	...	162,454 17 8	201,387 5 10
Bank of Otago	32,624 1 7	15 16 0	13,647 17 5	148,894 9 4	195,182 4 4
Totals	£ 592,229 19 0	43,391 8 8	33,468 19 10	3,129,291 15 5	3,798,382 2 11

BANKS.	ASSETS.						
	Coin.	Bullion.	Landed Property.	Notes and Bills of other Banks.	Balances due from other Banks.	Notes and Bills discounted, and all other Debts due to Banks.	Total Assets.
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Bank of New Zealand	411,382 14 6	92,730 15 3	21,975 18 4	7,215 11 9	136,733 11 7	1,806,699 11 6	2,476,738 2 11
Union Bank of Australia	281,869 14 5	28,500 10 3	43,671 4 5	2,229 2 8	35,678 8 9	930,064 13 10	713,222 14 1
Bank of N. S. Wales	195,633 3 11	48,997 4 1	21,886 11 2	2,785 6 8	10,128 9 7	851,579 13 10	1,131,010 9 3
Bank of Australasia	55,257 2 1	20,036 13 3	31,456 18 5	513 10 4	...	375,791 7 10	483,055 11 11
Bank of Otago	28,164 5 1	5,636 17 8	20,473 17 10	1,373 18 6	9,569 9 4	316,529 7 7	381,747 16 0
Totals	£ 972,307 0 0	195,902 0 6	139,464 10 2	14,117 9 11	192,109 19 3	4,280,664 14 4	4,579,456 14 2

BANKS.	CAPITAL AND PROFIT.			
	Capital paid up.	Rate per Annum of last Dividend.	Amount of last Dividend declared	Amount of Reserved Profit at the time of declaring such Dividend.
	£ s. d.		£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Bank of New Zealand	500,000 0 0	15 per cent.	37,500 0 0	196,054 16 4
Union Bank of Australia	1,250,000 0 0	15 per cent.	93,750 0 0	499,080 7 3
Bank of New South Wales	1,000,000 0 0	15 per cent.	75,000 0 0	337,841 1 8
Bank of Australasia	1,200,000 0 0	10 per cent.	60,000 0 0	332,284 2 5
Bank of Otago	231,564 16 9	6 per cent.	7,198 12 2	5,958 18 10
Totals	£ 4,181,564 16 9		273,448 12 2	1,371,219 6 6

Treasury, Wellington, 25th May, 1869.

J. WOODWARD, Assistant Treasurer.

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

STATIONS.	BAROMETER. Corrected and Reduced to Sea Level.		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. (Satur- ation =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 (0 to 10).
MONGONUI ... Same month previous 3 years	30-093 30-159*	.882 ...	62.3 62.8	16.6 ...	36.0...	...	.431 .415*	77. 77.*	3-060 2-823	11 10	144.0	387, 29th	4.7
AUCKLAND ... Same month previous 4 years	30-073 29-975	1.059 ...	61.7 63.6	15.8 ...	36.3 ...	137.4...	.399 .459	75. 75.	3-738 2-702	13 10	324.0	777, 28th	4.5
TARANAKI ... Same month previous 5 years	30-027 30-059	1.178 ...	58.7 59.5	14.4 ...	35.0 ...	131.0...	.397 .430	80. 76.	4-770 2-670	10 11	229.0	604, 28th	6.7
NAPIER ... Same month previous 2 years	30-009 ...	1.063 ...	60.4 55.8	14.5 ...	32.5 ...	135.2...	.388 ...	73. ...	1-610 1-240	9 5	242.2	472, 5th	4.3
WELLINGTON ... Same month previous 5 years	30-048 30-006	1.067 ...	56.9 57.7	9.8 ...	26.7 ...	121.0...	.389 .341	78. 70.	5-147 2-428	20 8	198.0	415, 5th and 25th	6.4
NELSON ... Same month previous 5 years	29-675 30-038	1.085 ...	56.1 57.5	20.3 ...	39.0 ...	149.0...	.353 .405	77. 78.	5-510 3-128	6 5	116.7	380, 27th	5.6
CHRISTCHURCH ... Same month previous 5 years	29-986 29-955	.942 ...	54.2 54.6	12.7 ...	34.2 ...	131.3...	.344 .340	81. 75.	6-195 0-927	15 4	159.0	422, 5th	5.8
HOKITIKA† ... Same month previous 3 years	30-010 30-031	1.106 ...	53.3 53.5	13.5 ...	28.2 ...	87.4...	.375 .410	92. 91.	8-900 8-430	17 16	143.3	300, 12th	7.1
BEALY‡ ... Same month previous year	29-542 29-854	.890 ...	...	...	...	126.6 ...	18.5 ...	...	9-680 8-340	18 20	90.0	404, 25th	6.2
DUNEDIN ... Same month previous 5 years	30-030 29-998	.890 ...	51.2 53.1	12.1 ...	35.0 ...	127.0...	.270 .288	81. 69.	3-034 1-509	18 13	83.0	485, 5th	6.0
SOUTHLAND ... Same month previous 4 years	29-958 29-866	1.037 ...	50.7 51.0	14.8 ...	39.0 ...	127.0...	.319 .285	87. 75.	2-840 3-787	20 14	105.0	410, 4th	6.6

* For the year 1864 only.

† HOKITIKA.—From 21st to 27th no observations with Dry and Wet Bulb Thermometers; and the velocity of wind only recorded for twenty-one days. There was a strong gale on the 25th, but no register of the velocity given; had it been recorded, there would probably have been a higher register on that date than on the 12th (300 as above).

‡ BEALY is situated at an altitude of 2,104 feet above the sea level. Aneroid observations, when reduced, appear exceptionally low.

NOTES.

Mongonui.—Fine weather at this station, light winds.*Auckland.*—Strong S.W. wind with slight rain on 4th, and thunder on 5th; tolerably fine weather until the 26th, when there was stormy weather from N.W. and S.W., with heavy rain, for the remainder of the month, the rainfall for the 27th and 28th being 3.15 inches; there was also thunder on the 27th; the maximum force of wind was 777 miles on 28th for twenty-four hours.*Taranaki.*—On the 5th and 6th there was a strong S.E. gale, lasting for twenty-four hours, without rain; the weather was then fine up to the 25th, when a strong N.E. gale set in and lasted until the 28th; the rain and wind registered on morning of 28th, for twenty-four hours previous, was 2.25 inches and 604 miles respectively. The rainfall and degree of moisture are far above the average. Slight earthquake on night of 20th.*Napier.*—On the 5th and 6th unpleasant squally weather from the South, with rain; hail and thunder on the 6th; thunder also on the 16th and 30th, and fog on the 22nd; on the 28th it was stormy from the N.E., with rain; otherwise the weather was on the whole fine.*Wellington.*—Dull threatening weather on 2nd, wind N.W.; wind changed at night to S.E., and set in wet on 3rd, and it continued to be cold, wet, and stormy weather, from the same quarter, until the 6th; on the night of the 4th the gale was for a time very severe; very stormy on night of 13th, with rain; also heavy rain on night of 16th (1.120 inches), and strong S.E. wind; stormy on the 24th and 25th from N.W.; fog on the 10th, 26th, and 30th. The weather on the whole during this month has been very unpleasant, cold, and damp, and at times stormy; the rainfall far exceeds the average for same month in previous years, and the temperature is rather lower.*Nelson.*—N.W. gale on the night of the 27th, with rain; rain registered on mornings of 26th and 27th 3.15 and 1.10 inches respectively; otherwise the weather was tolerably fine during the month—wind moderate.*Christchurch.*—Strong S.W. wind on the 4th, with rain and heavy gale on night of 5th from same quarter. The weather on the whole was very wet and disagreeable during this month; there were thirteen days of S.W. wind.*Hokitika.*—The weather at this station was generally remarkably wet and unpleasant, although the winds were moderate; there was, however, a gale from the N. on the 25th, with rain, lasting for about twenty-four hours.*Bealey.*—There was a strong gale on the 24th, with heavy rain in night; the total rainfall recorded from the 24th to the morning of 27th was 6.133 inches; snow fell on the 15th, 16th, and 27th; fog on the 3rd and 28th. From the 10th to 14th, and from the 24th to the 29th, the weather was excessively wet, but the remainder of the month was pleasant.*Dunedin.*—The total rainfall at this station has been unusually great for this month, although there have been no heavy falls at any one time; at times the weather was most agreeable. Fog occurred on the 12th, 13th, 14th, and 28th. The mean temperature was low, and the winds moderate.*Southland.*—The Observer remarks, that "the weather during this month has been wholly different from that experienced at any other time during the past ten years. Rain without wind, and dull cloudy weather without rain, are almost unknown here; yet it has been so for the last five weeks almost without interruption. The atmosphere has been so densely saturated with moisture that the readings of the dry and wet bulbs have often been identical for thirty-six to forty-eight hours together, and the range has been as low as 4° in twenty-four hours; light drizzling rain, total for twenty days only 2.84 inches. Barometer high and steady, and the degree of humidity highest yet recorded; wet fog on 28th, the fourth instance of such an occurrence in ten years. Hail on 14th."

GENERAL REMARKS.

This month has been characterized by two gales. First, from South on the 4th to 6th; felt most in the North, Nelson and the mountain station at Bealey appearing to have escaped it. Second, from North to South-west on 26th to 28th; felt everywhere but in the South; there, however, unusual calm moist weather has prevailed, which is singular, as the rainfall is not excessive as at all other stations, and to be accounted for by the absence of high winds.

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Inspector.