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G. F. BOWEN, Governor.

A PROCLAMATION.

WHEREAS by "The Marriage Act, 1858," it is enacted that it shall be lawful for the Governor at any time, by Proclamation in the *New Zealand Gazette*, to divide the Colony of New Zealand, for the purposes of the said Act, into such and so many districts as he may think fit, and that every such district shall be called by a distinct name, and shall be a Registrar's district; and it is provided that the Governor may at any time revoke the whole or any part of such Proclamation, and issue a new Proclamation dividing the Colony or any part of it anew into districts, or increasing the number or altering the boundaries of districts, as from time to time he may think requisite:

And whereas by a Proclamation duly made and issued, bearing date the thirtieth day of November, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-five, the Governor, in pursuance of the said recited power and authority, did constitute a district for the purposes of the said Act, called the "Oamaru" District, the boundaries whereof were therein set forth, which said Proclamation came into operation and took effect on the first day of February, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-six:

And whereas it is expedient to revoke so much of the said Proclamation as relates to the said district, and to divide anew the territory formerly comprised within such district:

Now therefore I, Sir George Ferguson Bowen, the Governor of the said Colony, in pursuance and exercise of the power and authority vested in me by the said recited Act, do hereby revoke the said Proclamation so far as relates to the "Oamaru" District, and do proclaim and declare that the territory formerly comprised within such district shall be and is hereby divided, for the purposes of the said Act, into two districts, the names and boundaries whereof shall be as follows:—

OTEPOPO DISTRICT.

Comprises all that area bounded towards the North by the northern branch of the Kakanui River to its source, and thence by a line in a westerly direction to the Kakanui Mountains; towards the East by the ocean; and towards the South-west by the Horse Range and the Kakanui Mountains.

OAMARU DISTRICT.

Comprises all that area bounded on the North and North-east by the Province of Canterbury; on the East by the ocean; on the South by the northern branch of the Kakanui River to its source, and thence by a line in a westerly direction to the Kakanui Mountains; towards the West by the Kakanui Mountains, the Hawkdun Mountains, and the

Dunstan Mountains, from Mount St. Bathans to the Province of Canterbury.

And I do declare that this Proclamation shall come into operation and take effect on the first day of March, one thousand eight hundred and seventy.

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 twenty-first day of January, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and seventy.

W. GISBORNE.

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN!

G. F. BOWEN, Governor.

A PROCLAMATION.

WHEREAS by "The Registration Act, 1858," it is enacted that it shall be lawful for the Governor at any time, by Proclamation in the *New Zealand Gazette*, to divide the Colony of New Zealand, for the purposes of the said Act, into such and so many districts as he may think fit, and that every such district shall be called by a distinct name, and shall be a Registrar's district; and it is provided that the Governor may at any time revoke the whole or any part of such Proclamation, and issue a new Proclamation dividing the Colony or any part of it anew into districts, or increasing the number or altering the boundaries of districts, as from time to time he may think requisite:

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And whereas it is expedient to revoke so much of the said Proclamation as relates to the said district, and to divide anew the territory formerly comprised within such district:

Now therefore I, Sir George Ferguson Bowen, the Governor of the said Colony, in pursuance and exercise of the power and authority vested in me by the said recited Act, do hereby revoke the said Proclamation so far as relates to the "Oamaru"

District, and do proclaim and declare that the territory formerly comprised within such district shall be and is hereby divided, for the purposes of the said Act, into two districts, the names and boundaries whereof shall be as follows:—

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W. GISBORNE.

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN!

G. F. BOWEN, Governor.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government House, at Auckland, this seventh day of January, 1870.

Present:

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR IN COUNCIL.

WHEREAS by "The Waste Lands Act, 1858," it is enacted that it shall be lawful for the Governor in Council at any time, and from time to time, to except from sale, and either reserve to Her Majesty or dispose of in such other manner as for the public interest may seem best, such of the Waste Lands of the Crown in any of the Provinces of the Colony as may be required for the purposes of Military Defence, or for the construction of Trunk Lines of Road, or as sites for Public Buildings for the use of the General Government, or for other purposes of public utility or convenience:

Now, therefore, His Excellency the Governor, by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of the Colony, in exercise and in pursuance of the power and authority in that behalf vested in him, doth hereby except from sale and reserve to Her Majesty the several parcels of the Waste Lands of the Crown particularly specified and described in the Schedule hereunder written, for the purposes in the said Schedule mentioned, and set opposite the descriptions of the said parcels of land respectively.

SCHEDULE.

Description of Reserve.	Purpose of Reserve.
<p>PROVINCE OF CANTERBURY.—<i>Waipara District.</i> All that parcel of land situate in the Waipara District at Stony-Hurst, and containing by admeasurement fifteen (15) acres, more or less, commencing at a point on the road reserved from high water-mark, the said point being the South-eastern corner of Section No. 7,531; thence about North 6° 0' East (magnetic), following the eastern boundary of that section a distance of fourteen (14) chains, twenty (20) links; thence easterly at a right angle ten (10) chains; thence southerly at a right angle following a straight line to the Reserve from high water-mark before mentioned; and from thence returning westerly along the same to the commencing point, and numbered 75 (in red) on the map of the Chief Surveyor of the Province of Canterbury, setting out and describing the rural land in the Waipara District aforesaid.</p>	<p>For a Landing-place, and other purposes of the General Government.</p>
<p>PROVINCE OF SOUTHLAND.—<i>Township of Campbelltown.</i> All that parcel of land in the Province of Southland, containing by admeasurement one (1) rood and fourteen (14) poles, more or less, situated in the Township of Campbelltown, commencing at a point bearing 6° 01' from the North-east corner of Section No. 6, Block No. I., Campbelltown, and two hundred and ten (210) links distant therefrom, and being bounded towards the West by a line bearing 9° 01', a distance of two hundred and fifty (250) links; towards the North-east by a line bearing 115° 07', a distance of one hundred and fifty-six (156) links; towards the East by a line bearing 189° 1', a distance of two hundred and seven (207) links; and towards the South by a line bearing 279° 01', a distance of one hundred and fifty (150) links, to the commencing point.</p>		As a site for a Custom House and Post Office, or other buildings of the General Government.

Approved in Council.

HENRY D. PITT, Captain, R.A., Private Secretary (for Clerk of the Executive Council).

G. F. BOWEN, Governor.

To WILLIAM ROLLESTON, Esquire, Superintendent of the Province of Canterbury, and WILLIAM WOOD, Esquire, Superintendent of the Province of Southland.

NOTICE is hereby given, that the several parcels of Waste Lands of the Crown particularly specified and described in the Schedule hereunder written are required for the purposes mentioned and set opposite to the description of the said parcels of land respectively in the said Schedule, and that the same have been respectively excepted from sale and reserved to Her Majesty by the Order in Council bearing the date mentioned in the second column of the said Schedule.

SCHEDULE.

FIRST COLUMN.	SECOND COLUMN.	
Description of Land.	Purpose for which Reserve is made.	Date of Order in Council excepting Land from Sale.
<p>PROVINCE OF CANTERBURY. <i>Waipara District.</i></p> <p>All that parcel of land situate in the Waipara District at Stony-Hurst, and containing by admeasurement fifteen (15) acres, more or less, commencing at a point on the road reserved from high water-mark, the said point being the South-eastern corner of Section No. 7,531; thence about North 6° 0' East (magnetic), following the eastern boundary of that section a distance of fourteen (14) chains, twenty (20) links; thence easterly at a right angle ten (10) chains; thence southerly at a right angle following a straight line to the Reserve from high water-mark before mentioned; and from thence returning westerly along the same to the commencing point, and numbered 75 (in red) on the map of the Chief Surveyor of the Province of Canterbury, setting out and describing the rural land in the Waipara District aforesaid.</p>	<p>For a Landing-place, and other purposes of the General Government</p>	<p>7th January, 1870.</p>
<p>PROVINCE OF SOUTHLAND. <i>Township of Campbelltown.</i></p> <p>All that parcel of land in the Province of Southland, containing by admeasurement one (1) rood and fourteen (14) poles, more or less, situated in the Township of Campbelltown, commencing at a point bearing 6° 01' from the North-east corner of Section No. 6, Block No. 1, Campbelltown, and two hundred and ten (210) links distant therefrom, and being bounded towards the West by a line bearing 9° 01', a distance of two hundred and fifty (250) links; towards the North-east by a line bearing 115° 07', a distance of one hundred and fifty-six (156) links; towards the East by a line bearing 189° 1', a distance of two hundred and seven (207) links; and towards the South by a line bearing 279° 01', a distance of one hundred and fifty (150) links, to the commencing point.</p>	<p>As a site for a Custom House and Post Office, or other buildings of the General Government</p>	<p>7th January, 1870.</p>

G. F. BOWEN, Governor.

WHEREAS by the one hundred and thirty-third section of an Act of the General Assembly of New Zealand, intituled "The Municipal Corporations Act, 1867," it is enacted that it shall be the duty of the Town Clerk of every borough, as soon as conveniently may be after every election of a Mayor for such borough, to give notice to the Colonial Secretary for the time being of such election, and of the person elected; and it shall be lawful for the Governor, if he shall think fit, and if such person shall not then be a Justice of the Peace, by warrant under his hand published in the *New Zealand Gazette*, to appoint such person to be a Justice of the Peace for the Colony; and it is also thereby enacted that in every such appointment it shall be expressed that it is made under the one hundred and thirty-third section of the said Act; and it is further declared that such appointment shall continue in force only during the Mayoralty of such person, and the person so appointed shall not, by virtue of such appointment, be authorized to sit or act as a Justice of the Peace elsewhere than within the borough:

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

HENRY DODSON, Esq.,

the person elected to be the Mayor of the Borough of Blenheim, to be a Justice of the Peace under the one hundred and thirty-third section of "The Municipal Corporations Act, 1867."

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

W. GISBORNE.

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 Warrants under the hand of the Governor, Mr. Thomas Moorhouse's Woolshed was appointed a polling place for the District of Ashburton, and the School House, Kaiapoi Island, was appointed the principal polling place for the District of Mandeville, for the election of Superintendent and Members of the Provincial Council of the Province of Canterbury: 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 and principal polling place for the said Districts, for the election of Superintendent and Members of the Provincial Council of the Province of Canterbury, and do appoint in lieu thereof—

Mr. Tancred's Woolshed, polling place for the District of Ashburton; and

The School House, Woodend, the principal polling place for the District of Mandeville.

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 at Wellington, this fifteenth day of January, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and seventy.

W. GISBORNE.

G. F. BOWEN, Governor.

TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS SHALL COME,
GREETING:

WHEREAS by an Act of the General Assembly, intituled "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 another Act of the General Assembly, intituled "The Provincial Elections Act, 1858," it is enacted that, subject to certain provisions therein contained, every election of the Superintendent or of a Member of the Provincial Council of a Province shall be conducted in the manner prescribed by "The Regulation of Elections Act, 1858," aforesaid, and the provisions of the said last-mentioned Act shall apply to the elections of Superintendents and Members of Provincial Councils:

Now therefore I, Sir George Ferguson Bowen, the Governor of the said Colony, in pursuance of the power and authority in me vested by the said Acts, do hereby appoint the following places to be additional polling places for the districts hereafter mentioned, for the election of Superintendent and

Members of the Provincial Council of the Province of Canterbury, namely,—

For the District of Ashburton—Mr. Tooth's Woolshed, Alford.

For the District of Mandeville—School House, Eyreton; School House, Flaxton.

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 at Wellington, this fifteenth day of January, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and seventy.

W. GISBORNE.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Wellington, 21st January, 1870.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint the following gentlemen to be Registrars of Marriages, and of Births, Deaths, and Marriages, for the districts set opposite their names respectively, as the same are defined in Proclamation of this day's date, and published in this *Gazette*, viz. :—

ALEXANDER PRIE, Esq., Otepopo.

THOMAS WINDLE PARKER, Esq., Oamaru.

W. GISBORNE.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Wellington, 21st January, 1870.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to grant Letters of Registration, of this date, in favour of

ALEXANDER BAYNE,

of Sandhurst, in the Colony of Victoria, gentleman, of Letters Patent, dated thirteenth day of May, 1867, granted in the Colony of Victoria, for an Invention intituled "Improvements in the Construction of Land Scarifiers."

W. GISBORNE.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Wellington, 21st January, 1870.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to grant Letters of Registration, of this date, in favour of

JOHN ELIOT HODGKIN,

of Liverpool, in the County of Lancaster, in England, Manufacturer and Manufacturing Chemist, of Letters Patent, granted in England, dated third day of August, 1864, for "an Invention of Improvements in Machinery for breaking, scutching, softening, washing, discharging, and separating, Fibrous Materials, part of such Machinery being applicable for glazing or calendaring Woven Fabrics."

W. GISBORNE.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Wellington, 21st January, 1870.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to issue Letters of Naturalization, under "The Aliens Act, 1866," in favour of the under-mentioned persons, viz. :—

Name.	Residence.	Occupation.
William Horatio Hall...	Invercargill ...	Merchant.
Johann Frederick Rock- strow	Westport, Nelson ...	Surgeon.
Henry Abraham Hoff- mann	Picton ...	Tobacconist.
Francesco Rossetti ...	Hokitika ...	Physician, M.D.
William Wilson ...	Dunedin ...	Settler.

W. GISBORNE.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Wellington, 21st January, 1870.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased, on the recommendation of the Honorables the Speaker and the Chairman of Committees of the Legislative Council, to appoint

GIBBES WALKER JORDAN, Esq.,
to the office of Clerk Assistant and Clerk of Committees of the Legislative Council. This appointment takes effect on the 1st instant.

W. GISBORNE.

General Post Office,
Wellington, 15th January, 1870.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to authorize

The CHIEF CLERK, Superintendent's Office, Auckland,

to frank, free from prepayment of postage, Letters and Packets sent through the post on the Public Service, in lieu of the Provincial Secretary, Auckland.

W. GISBORNE
(for the Postmaster-General).

General Post Office,
Wellington, 20th January, 1870.

THE following Report of the Court of Inquiry held under "The Inquiry into Wrecks Act, 1869," on the boat accident at Timaru, on the 18th December last, is published for general information.

W. GISBORNE
(for the Postmaster-General).

INQUIRY INTO WRECKS.

REPORT on the casualty which happened to the steam vessel "Maori."

To the Honorable the Postmaster-General of New Zealand,—

I, the undersigned Belfield Woolcombe, Esquire, one of Her Majesty's Justices of the Peace, and a Resident Magistrate in and for the Colony of New Zealand, having been on the twenty-third day of December, 1869, applied to by Charles Edward Cooper, Esquire, Principal Officer of Customs at the Port of Timaru, for a formal investigation pursuant to section 3 of "The Inquiry into Wrecks Act, 1869," and other provisions of the said Act, respecting the casualty which happened to a certain British steam vessel called the "Maori," on the eighteenth day of December last, while she was lying at anchor at the Port of Timaru, did duly proceed with the said investigation, to wit, on the twenty-ninth day of December instant, and had before me and examined on oath divers persons and witnesses, to wit, George Babington Parker, J.P. and Sheepfarmer, Waitangi; James Malcolm, Master, s.s. "Maori;" James Graham, Second Mate, s.s. "Maori;" Alexander Macdonald, Steward, s.s. "Maori;" John Clarkson, Boatman, Timaru; Alexander Smith, Manager, Landing Service, Timaru; Henry Cain, Merchant, Timaru; Campbell Campbell, Chief Engineer, s.s. "Maori;" and Alexander Mills, Harbour Master, Timaru; the original deposition of whose evidence are hereunto annexed, signed by me; being assisted therein by Richard Scott, Master Mariner, who was duly appointed by Charles Edward Cooper, Esquire, Principal Officer of Customs at the Port of Timaru, to act as Assessor to me the said Justice of the Peace and Resident Magistrate; and upon such investigation and examination of witnesses as aforesaid, I find and beg to report to the Honorable the Postmaster-General of New Zealand as follows, that is to say:—

1. That the official number of the said ship called the "Maori," is 62,401, of which James Malcolm is Master, who holds a Certificate of

Competency, and which ship belonged to "The Dunedin Harbour Company," of Dunedin.

2. That the loss or damage herein more particularly mentioned, happened on the eighteenth day of December, 1869, at about half-past five o'clock in the afternoon, while she was lying at anchor at the Port of Timaru.
3. That the loss or damage appears by the evidence to have been caused by the capsizing of a certain life-boat belonging to the said steam ship "Maori."
4. That the nature of the loss or damage done was the loss of two lives by drowning. That the s.s. "Maori" is schooner rigged; her Port of Registry, Dunedin; her registered tonnage, 118. That two lives were lost through the upsetting of her life-boat.

And I, the said Justice of the Peace and Resident Magistrate, further state my opinion on the matter aforesaid to be as follows:—

That on the eighteenth day of December, 1869, the life-boat belonging to the steamer "Maori," manned by the second mate and four seamen, while conveying the master and seven passengers from the cargo-boat of the Government Landing Service to the "Maori," then lying at anchor in the roadstead of Timaru, was capsized by an unexpected heavy breaker, when nearly alongside the "Maori," throwing the passengers and crew into the water, thereby causing the loss by drowning of two of the passengers, namely, Messrs. Balfour and Smallwood.

That the casualty was purely accidental, and no blame can be attached to any one.

That considering the steamer was so short-handed, the master, second mate, and four seamen, being in the boat when she was capsized, (the master in particular having been seriously injured,) leaving only the mate and two seamen, with the engineers, stokers, and stewards, capable of acting on board, every available effort was made for the assistance of those in the water.

Given under my hand this twenty-ninth day of December, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-nine, at Timaru, in the Province of Canterbury, New Zealand.

B. WOOLCOMBE,
Justice of the Peace and Resident Magistrate.

I, Richard Scott, Nautical Assessor on the Inquiry into the casualty which happened to the s.s. "Maori," do fully concur in the above Report concerning the said casualty to the said vessel.

R. SCOTT,
Nautical Assessor.
New Zealand, 29th December, 1869.

Memorandum on Boat Accident at Timaru.

AFTER reading the evidence, I am of opinion that the loss occurred through the boat being allowed to get broadside on to the sea. Had the boat been kept head on, probably the accident would not have happened. A boat steered with rudder will, when rowers ease or cease rowing, turn broadside on to the sea, and in that state, with a heavy sea running, will probably either be capsized or swamped. A boat steered with an oar is much more manageable than when steered with a rudder,—this Captain Malcolm ought to have known and seriously considered before taking the boat on the weather side of the ship. The reasons he assigns for doing so do not appear to me satisfactory, and probably the truth is he did it to save time and trouble. The reasons given are, first, "That the davits were on that

side of the ship, and being so he intended hoisting up the boat with everything in her," viz., thirteen men, luggage, and probably some water; secondly, "that the ship had no lee side, therefore one side was as safe as the other." With regard to the first I am very well certain that the crew left on board, viz., thirteen hands (including three stewards and two cooks and five engine-room hands), could not have hoisted the boat up, that is supposing the davits and tackle were sufficiently strong, which I consider by no means likely. With regard to the second, the wind being East, or blowing direct on the shore, and the tide ebbing or making southward (and I think according to Clarkson's evidence I may fairly add a southerly set, but apart from this), a vessel riding to easterly wind and a southerly tide, must have her port side a lee side. Of course it will depend upon the relative strength of each as to how much it will become so. I may also remark that the port side would in this instance be the in-shore side.

The Harbour Master states that after the accident he took the life-boat on the port side of the ship, as he considered that side then the lee side. This officer, on being cross-examined by Captain Malcolm, also stated that at the time he was alongside, the wind had changed four or five points to the southward, the sea had gone down, and that the port side was then a lee side. Now, as the wind veering from East towards the South would bring ship's head in that direction, and necessarily would bring round the port side more to the eastward or more towards the point the wind had been blowing from, therefore it is clear the port side was then less a lee side than it was at the time of the accident; and considering the short time which elapsed between the accident until the Harbour Master went alongside, and the fact of the tide not having changed, I do not see that there could have been much change in the state of the sea.

With regard to the second mate's answer when he was told by Captain Malcolm to steer the boat for the port side of the ship, viz., "That the boat would not answer her helm," I think that might be true, although not corroborated, as I find from evidence the bow oar was pulled on the port side; but the steering could easily have been remedied by easing the bow oar, a thing often done. It is perfectly absurd to suppose that the boat could not as easily have been taken to the port side as well as the starboard side, or lee side as well as the weather side.

With reference to the mode adopted by those on board of saving lives, I think great allowance should be made: no doubt everybody did his utmost, and whatever error might have been committed was under great excitement. I think, however, I ought to point out—first, that the Mate, in trying with only two hands to lower a boat in such weather, instead of endeavouring to save lives with ropes, buoys, planks, &c., made a mistake. If the boat had been successfully lowered, with only the crew he had, unless well managed and kept under the lee, it would probably have met the same fate as the other. Secondly, the life-buoys being made of thin, light material, and intended only to keep up persons in the water, should not have been used to haul persons up with. And, thirdly, when those in the water had only *hold* of a rope, it was a mistake to try and haul them up by it; a bowline should have been taken round the rope held and slipped down, when the person immersed could easily have placed it under his shoulders. Unless the man be much exhausted there is no difficulty in doing this; but should he be exhausted, a man should go down in a bowline and make him fast. This practice is well known to sailors.

I cannot finish this Memorandum without noticing a paragraph which has appeared in the papers,—a paragraph which, if allowed to go uncontradicted,

would tend to mislead the public, and is unfair to the memory of the late Mr. Balfour. The paragraph states that Captain Malcolm made the following remarks to the Board of Inquiry, which remarks I, however, do not see in evidence:—"That Mr. Balfour, as the head of the Marine Department, could have ordered the shore life-boat to take them off, and could have prevented the ship's boat taking off passengers if he thought the sea too rough." And further, "If he (Captain Malcolm) had disobeyed any of Mr. Balfour's orders, it would be as much as his certificate was worth." Now, in the first place, Mr. Balfour had no control whatever over the shore life-boat; secondly, he was not a sailor, and was not supposed to know when the weather was too rough for a boat; and, as the head of the Marine Department, could not possibly have any control over the duties of Captain Malcolm. He had, however, the power of cancelling certificates; but it has never been done except on the recommendation of a Board of Inquiry, and then always approved of by the Honorable the Postmaster-General. Granting that Captain Malcolm seriously meant what he said; and further, taking into consideration what he stated, and which appears in evidence, viz., "That he would again, in a similar sea, take off the boat," without at the same time giving any explanation as to how he would do it; the question arises whether he should be allowed to retain a certificate of competency, which enables him to retain command of a ship, and have the lives of crew and passengers under his care.

To summarize the whole, I consider that the weather at the time of accident was not so bad as not to justify either the use of the shore or ship's boat, but the accident arose from the mismanagement of the latter; that although every exertion was made by those on board to save lives, some errors of judgment were committed, but which no doubt were done under great excitement.

Marine Department,

R. JOHNSON.

Wellington, 18th January, 1870.

Colonial Defence Office,
Wellington, 18th January, 1870.

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

Captain G. W. Jordan, Wellington Militia.

Captain E. H. Power, No. 1 Company, Hauraki Rifle Volunteers.

Lieutenant A. E. T. Devore, 1st Westland Rifle Volunteers.

Honorary Ensign E. J. Allen, Hutt Rifle Volunteer Cadets.

W. GISBORNE
(in absence of Mr. McLean).

Colonial Defence Office,
Wellington, 18th January, 1870.

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

In the Wellington Militia.

Robert George Park to be Ensign. Date of commission, 23rd November, 1869.

In the No. 1 Company, Hauraki Rifle Volunteers.

Lieutenant Adam McCarrroll to be Captain. Date of commission, 23rd October, 1869.

William James Casely to be Lieutenant. Date of commission, 23rd October, 1869.

In the Waikuku Rifle Volunteers.

Patrick Hennessy to be Ensign. Date of commission, 13th November, 1869.

W. GISBORNE
(in absence of Mr. McLean).

Colonial Defence Office,
Wellington, 18th January, 1870.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to disband

The East Pukekohe Rifle Volunteers, at their own request; and to alter the designation of the Dunedin High School Cadet Corps to The Dunedin Cadet Company.

W. GISBORNE
(in absence of Mr. McLean).

NOTICE TO MARINERS.

No. 1 of 1870.

SUNKEN ROCK IN WANGARI BAY, EAST COAST OF PROVINCE OF AUCKLAND.

Marine Department,
Wellington, 14th January, 1870.

NOTICE is hereby given that a sunken rock, now called "McGregor's Rock," having only eleven (11) feet of water on it at low water spring tides, lies in mid channel between Sail Rock and Bream Tail; it has a pinnacle formation, and has from six to thirteen fathoms of water within a boat's length of it.

The following magnetic bearings have been furnished by G. A. Woods, Esq., Chief Marine Surveyor:—

From Bream Island ... S.S.E. $\frac{1}{4}$ E.
" Sail Rock ... S.W. $\frac{1}{2}$ W.
" Mangawhai Islet ... N. $\frac{1}{2}$ E.

Vessels passing within two miles of Sail Rock, or keeping Rodney and Takatau Points in line will lead clear of the danger.

R. JOHNSON
(for the Colonial Marine Engineer).

This notice affects the Admiralty Charts:—General, No. 1,212; and Sheet, No. 2, No. 2,543.

NOTICE is hereby given, that the Partnership heretofore subsisting between the late Henry John Cridland and Richard Walton, of Christchurch, Canterbury, as Sheepfarmers, was this day dissolved by mutual consent of the Executors of the late Henry John Cridland and Richard Walton. The said Richard Walton will discharge all debts due by the said partnership, and is authorized to receive all debts due to the same.

Dated at Christchurch, 17th December, 1869.

GEORGE HART, } Executors of the late
HENRY MATSON, } Henry John Cridland.
RICHARD WALTON.

Witness to the signatures of George Hart, Henry Matson, and Richard Walton—Willm. Mardon, Accountant, Christchurch.

APPLICATION FOR LETTERS PATENT.

NOTICE is hereby given, that an application has been made by me, the undersigned Frederick Arthur Wilson, for Letters Patent under the Seal of the Colony of New Zealand, for an invention of an improved method of separating Gold and Silver from Quartz and other waste. And any person who may wish to prefer any objection to the granting of such Letters Patent is hereby required within four months of the publication of this notice to send to the office of John Boyle Bennett, Esq., Registrar-General, at Wellington, a statement in writing setting forth the ground of such objection, subscribed with the proper name and address of the person so objecting.

FREDERICK ARTHUR WILSON.

Graham's Town, Auckland,
10th December, 1869.

THE Nile Cement Crushing Company.—Balance Sheet at 31st December, 1869.

	Dr.	£	s.	d.
To Gold produced by claim since 30th June, 1869		2,387	8	8
Rents, &c., since 30th June, 1869		48	16	1
		£2,436	4	9

	Cr.	£	s.	d.
By cost of keeping plant and race since 30th June, 1869		393	13	7
Paid for wages since 30th June, 1869		1,530	5	9
Ditto dividends do. do.		490	0	0
Cash Balance in Bank of New Zealand		22	5	5
		£2,436	4	9

	Assets.	£	s.	d.
Estimated value of race, claim, plant, &c.	3,000	0	0	
Cash in Bank of New Zealand	22	5	5	
Due for water, rent, &c.	21	6	10	
		3,043	12	3
		£3,043	12	3

	Liabilities.	£	s.	d.
Debts due by Company		£20	0	0

W. MORRIS, Manager.
Nile Cement Crushing Company, Registered.
Audited and found correct,
C. G. ANDREWS,
W. G. JACKSON. 1

LAW REPORTS.

CASES DETERMINED BEFORE THE NEW ZEALAND COURT OF APPEAL, 1867-8.

EDITED BY ALEXANDER J. JOHNSTON, JUDGE OF SUPREME COURT.

PART I.—PRICE TEN SHILLINGS.

THE Public are informed that the First Part of the above Work, printed under the authority of the Government, and comprising the Cases argued before the Court of Appeal during the last two years, is now complete and ready for issue. The Reports are printed on the English model, royal 8vo. size, and contain 164 pages of printed matter. They have been carefully revised and arranged for press by His Honor Mr. Justice Johnston. It is intended to continue the issue, in parts, after each annual sitting of the Court of Appeal, the folio to run on continuously from Part I., in order that the Reports for four years (or five if necessary) may be bound up in one volume; and when the volume is complete, a copious Index for the whole will be prepared.

Orders for the above Work will be received by the Government Printer, Wellington, and must be accompanied with a remittance for the amount. The Book will be forwarded, post free, to any part of the Colony.

GEO. DIDSBURY,
Government Printer.

Government Printing Office,
Wellington, 7th June, 1869.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Wellington, 31st December, 1869.

IN pursuance of the 29th section of "The Medical Practitioners Act, 1867," a certified copy of the Medical Register of New Zealand for the year 1869 is published for general information.

W. GISBORNE.

MEDICAL BOARD OF NEW ZEALAND.

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REGISTER OF MEDICAL PRACTITIONERS FOR 1869.

LIST of MEDICAL PRACTITIONERS who are registered under the provisions of the Act of Parliament of New Zealand, 31 Viet., No. 30.

Date of Registration.	Name.	Residence.	Qualification.
1868, Nov. 19	Agassiz, Alfred	Mercury Bay, Auckland	Mem. R. Coll. Surg. Eng. 1863.
" April 11	Aickin, Thomas	Auckland	Lic. 1839, Lic. Midwif. 1839, Fell. 1844, R. Coll. Surg. Irel. M.D. Univ. Berlin, 1842.
" July 31	Alexander, Edward William...	Dunedin, Otago	Mem. R. Coll. Surg. Eng. 1853. Lic. R. Coll. Phys. Lond. 1861.
1869, May 14	Armitage, Frederick William	Tauranga	Mem. R. Coll. Surg. Eng. 1865.
" Sept. 23	Barker, Alfred Charles	Christchurch, Canterbury	Registered under New Munster Ordinance.
1868, Mar. 7	Bayntun, Francis Thomas	Auckland	Mem. R. Coll. Surg. Eng. 1858.
" April 29	Beale, Bernard Charles	Hamilton, Waikato	Mem. R. Coll. Surg. Eng. 1852. Lic. Soc. Apoth. Lond. 1854.
1869, May 14	Beaver, Henry Bibergiel	Dunedin, Otago	M.D. Berlin, 1835. Lic. Fac. Phys. Surg. Glasg. 1860. M.D. Wilna.
1868, June 27	Bell, James	Kaipara, Auckland	Lic. R. Coll. Surg. Edin. 1857. Lic. R. Coll. Phys. Edin. 1860.
" April 11	Beswick, Samuel	Hokitika	Registered under New Munster Ordinance.
" " 11	Bond, Joseph Francis	Motueka, Nelson	Lic. Apoth. Hall, Dubl. 1858.
" Jan. 9	Boor, Leonard	Wellington	Mem. R. Coll. Surg. Eng. 1852. Lic. Soc. Apoth. Lond. 1851.
1869, May 14	Borrows, Robert	Tokomairiro, Otago	Lic. Fac. Phys. Surg. Glasg. 1853. M.D. Univ. St. And. 1861. Lic. R. Coll. Phys. Lond. 1865.
" " 14	Bruen, Patrick Joseph	Westport, Nelson	Lic. R. Coll. Surg. Irel. 1863.
" Sept. 23	Buchanan, Andrew	Chingford, Dunedin	Registered under Otago Act.
1868, Nov. 19	Burns, Robert	Dunedin	Registered under Otago Act.
" Dec. 9	Burrows, William Adcock	Wellington	Lic. Soc. Apoth. Lond. 1852. Mem. R. Coll. Surg. Eng. 1859.
" April 29	Butler, Edward	Timaru, Canterbury	Registered under New Munster Ordinance.
1869, Dec. 7	Campbell, Donald	Lyttelton	Lic. R. Coll. Phys. Edin. 1865. Lic. R. Coll. Surg. Edin. 1865. Lic. Midwif. Edin. 1865.
" May 14	Carey, John	Hamilton, Waikato	Mem. R. Coll. Surg. Eng. 1853. Lic. R. Coll. Phys. Edin. 1859.
1868, " 21	Caro, Jacob Selig	Waihi, Canterbury	Registered under New Munster Ordinance.
" July 31	Carrroll, Patrick Joseph	Taranaki	Lic. R. Coll. Surg. Irel. 1863.
" April 29	Christy, William Beresford Chambers	Leeston, Canterbury	Registered under New Munster Ordinance.
1869, May 14	Cooper, Samuel John	Chatham Islands	Registered under Wellington Medical Board Act, 1854.
" " 14	Copland, James	Tuapeka, Otago	M.D. 1864. Mast. Surg. 1864, Univ. Aberd.
1868, April 11	Corbett, Robert Telfer	Tuakau, Auckland	M.D. Univ. Glasg. 1841, Lic. 1841, Fell. 1850, Fac. Phys. Surg. Glasg.
1869, May 14	Corse, James	Cromwell, Otago	Registered under Otago Act.
1868, Feb. 20	Cotterell, Charles Edward	Nelson	Mem. R. Coll. Surg. Eng. 1855.
" April 29	Coward, John William Smith	Christchurch, Canterbury	Registered under New Munster Ordinance.
" Nov. 19	Cowie, Robert	Dunedin, Otago	Registered under Otago Act.
" " 19	Crawford, James Robert	Dunedin, Otago	Registered under Otago Act.
" " 19	Crocome, Joseph	Waikouaiti, Otago	Registered under Otago Act.
" " 29	Curl, Samuel	Rangitikei	No diploma produced. In practice prior to 1857.
" Dec. 9	Currie, John	Dunedin, Otago	Registered under Otago Act.
" June 27	Dakers, William Henry Phillip	Charleston, Westland	Lic. Soc. Apoth. Lond. 1855. Mem. R. Coll. Surg. Eng. 1858.
1869, Nov. 9	Dalton, Frederick George	Te Arai, Auckland	Mem. 1856, Lic. Midwif. 1856, R. Coll. Surg. Eng. Lic. Soc. Apoth. Lond. 1860.
1868, April 11	Day, Richard	Auckland	Lic. R. Coll. Surg. Edin. 1834. M.D. Univ. Edin. 1836.
" " 29	Deamer, William	Christchurch, Canterbury	Mem. 1854, Lic. Midwif. 1854, R. Coll. Surg. Eng. Lic. Soc. Apoth. Lond. 1856. M.D. Univ. K. Coll. Aberd. 1860.
" May 21	Deck, John Field	Southland	Mem. R. Coll. Surg. Eng. 1862. Lic. R. Coll. Phys. Lond. 1862. M.D. Univ. St. And. 1862.
" April 29	Dermot, Fitzherbert	Hokitika	Registered under New Munster Ordinance.

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1868, April 11	Dixon, Thomas	Auckland	M.D. Univ. St. And. 1854. Mem. R. Coll. Surg. Eng. 1853. Lic. Soc. Apoth. Lond. 1856.
" " 29	Donald, William	Lyttelton, Canterbury	Registered under New Munster Ordinance.
" Nov. 19	Douglas, James	Frankton, Otago	Registered under Otago Act.
1869, May 14	Downes, James Badger	Rangiora, Canterbury	Mem. R. Coll. Surg. Eng. 1862.
1868, Nov. 19	Drury, George Dixon	Waikouaiti, Otago	Registered under Otago Act.
" " 19	Drysdale, John	Port Chalmers, Otago	M.D. Univ. Glasg. 1861. Lic. Fac. Phys. Surg. Glasg. 1861.
" April 29	Dudley, Charles	Kaiapoi, Canterbury	Registered under New Munster Ordinance.
" " 11	Earle, Robert Charles	Wanganui	Mem. R. Coll. Surg. Eng. 1864. Lic. Soc. Apoth. Lond. 1864.
" " 11	Elmsley, Joseph	Auckland	M.D. Marisch. Coll. Univ. Aberd. 1845.
" Nov. 19	Fergusson, Alexander John	Milton, Otago	Lic. Fac. Phys. Surg. Glasg. 1862. M.D. Univ. St. And. 1862.
" Jan. 25	Fischer, Carl Frank	Auckland	No diploma produced. In practice prior to 1857.
" April 29	Fisher, Alder	Remuera, Auckland	Lic. Soc. Apoth. Lond. 1827. Mem. R. Coll. Surg. Eng. 1828.
1869, Sept. 23	Fisher, Thomas	Timaru, Canterbury	Registered under New Munster Ordinance.
1868, April 29	FitzGerald, Chas. Penruddocke	Howick, Auckland	Mem. R. Coll. Surg. Eng. 1842. Lic. Soc. Apoth. Lond. 1843.
1869, May 14	Fletcher, James Freeman	Wellington	Lic. Soc. Apoth. Lond. 1836. Mem. R. Coll. Surg. Eng. 1837.
" " 14	Florance, Augustus	Christchurch, Canterbury	Lic. Soc. Apoth. Lond. 1851.
1868, " 21	Ford, Samuel Hayward	Russell, Auckland	Mem. R. Coll. Surg. Eng. 1833. Lic. Soc. Apoth. Lond. 1832.
1869, Dec. 7	Fox, Alexander	Shortland, Auckland	Mem. R. Coll. Surg. Eng. 1867. Lic. Soc. Apoth. Lond. 1867. Mem. R. Coll. Phys. Lond. 1869.
1868, April 11	France, Charles	Wellington	Registered under Wellington Medical Board Act, 1854.
1869, May 14	Frankish, John David	Christchurch, Canterbury	M.D. Univ. St. And. 1862. Mem. R. Coll. Surg. Eng. 1863. Lic. Soc. Apoth. Lond. 1863.
" Nov. 14	Garland, Thomas Henry	Hokitika	Lic. R. Coll. Phys. Edin. 1869. Lic. R. Coll. Surg. Edin. 1869.
1868, June 27	Gibbes, John Murray	Waipukurau, Napier	Mem. 1865, Lic. Midwif. 1866, R. Coll. Surg. Eng. M.B. 1866, Mast. Surg. 1866, Univ. Aberd.
" May 21	Gibson, George Henry	Wanganui	No diploma produced. In practice prior to 1857.
" April 11	Giles, Joseph	Westport	Registered under New Munster Ordinance.
" " 29	Goldsbro, Charles Field	Auckland	Lic. Soc. Apoth. Lond. 1856. Mem. R. Coll. Surg. Eng. 1856. Lic. R. Coll. Phys. Edin. 1860. M.B. Univ. Sydney, 1866. M.D. Univ. Sydney, 1868.
" Jan. 22	Grace, Morgan Stanislaus	Wellington	Lic. R. Coll. Surg. Edin. 1859. M.D. Univ. Jena.
1869, Sept. 23	Grigor, William Panton	Invercargill, Southland	Lic. R. Coll. Surg. Edin. 1859.
" May 14	Halley, Ebenezer	Lawrence, Otago	Mem. R. Coll. Surg. Eng. 1858. Lic. Soc. Apoth. Lond. 1858.
1868, Jan. 19	Harding, Robert	Waikouaiti, Otago	Lic. Apoth. Hall, Dubl. Lic. R. Coll. Surg. Irel. 1860. Lic. R. Coll. Phys. Edin. 1865.
1869, May 14	Harsant, Walter	Raglan, Auckland	Lic. Soc. Apoth. Lond. 1833. Mem. R. Coll. Surg. Eng. 1834.
1868, Jan. 9	Hector, James	Wellington	M.D. Univ. Edin. 1856.
" April 11	Henry, Joseph	Tauranga, Auckland	Lic. R. Coll. Surg. Irel. 1862.
1869, May 14	Hewson, Charles George	Otaki, Wellington	Registered under Wellington Medical Board Act, 1854.
1868, June 27	Hitchings, Thomas	Napier	Registered under Wellington Medical Board Act, 1854.
" Nov. 19	Hocken, Thomas Morland	Dunedin	Mem. R. Coll. Surg. Eng. 1859. Lic. Soc. Apoth. Lond. 1859.
" April 11	Hooper, John Henry	Auckland	Lic. Soc. Apoth. Lond. 1856. Mem. R. Coll. Surg. Eng. 1858.
" " 29	Horne, James Herbert	Auckland	Lic. Soc. Apoth. Lond. 1830.
" July 31	Horne, Lewis Keele	Blenheim	Registered under New Munster Ordinance.
1869, Sept. 23	Hosking, William Henry	Ross, Hokitika	Lic. Soc. Apoth. Lond. 1863.
1868, Nov. 19	Howell, Charles Henry John	Howick, Auckland	Mem. R. Coll. Surg. Eng. 1860.
" " 19	Hulme, Edward	Dunedin	Registered under Otago Act.
" " 19	Inglis, Hugh	Mossgill, East Taieri, Otago	Lic. R. Coll. Surg. Edin. 1858.
" Mar. 7	Irvine, Francis Wemyss	Nelson	M.D. Univ. Edin. 1842. Lic. R. Coll. Surg. Edin. 1842.
1869, May 14	Jackson, William Lambart	Auckland	Lic. R. Coll. Surg. Irel. 1862.
1868, Jan. 9	Johnston, Alexander	Wellington	M.D. Univ. St. And. 1867. Mem. R. Coll. Surg. Eng. 1850. Lic. Soc. Apoth. Lond. 1852.
1869, May 14	Johnston, Daniel	Waitahuna, Otago	Lic. Fac. Phys. Surg. Glasg. 1867. Lic. R. Coll. Phys. Edin. 1867.
1868, Nov. 19	Jones, Walter Williams	Cambridge, Auckland	Lic. Soc. Apoth. Lond. 1860. Lic. Fac. Phys. Surg. Glasg. 1860.
" Aug. 29	Kemp, William George	Nelson	Mem. R. Coll. Surg. Eng. 1867. Lic. Soc. Apoth. Lond. 1867. Lic. Midwif. R. Coll. Surg. Eng. 1867.
" April 11	Kenderdine, Thomas Brutton	Whangarei, Auckland	Mem. R. Coll. Surg. Eng. 1849. Lic. Soc. Apoth. Lond. 1849.
1869, May 14	Kennedy, Hugh	Auckland	Lic. Fac. Phys. Surg. Glasg. 1835. M.D. Univ. Glasg. 1836.
1868, April 11	Kilgour, James	Wellington	Registered under Wellington Medical Board Act, 1854.
1869, Sept. 23	Knight, Charles	Wellington	Fell. R. Coll. Surg. Eng. 1869.
1868, April 11	Knox, Frederick John	Porirua, Wellington	Registered under Wellington Medical Board Act, 1854. Lic. R. Coll. Surg. Edin. 1831.
" June 27	Laking, Frederick Augustus	Richmond, Nelson	Registered under New Munster Ordinance.

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1868, April 29	Leach, Christopher	Christchurch, Canterbury	Registered under New Munster Ordinance.
" June 27	Lee, Joseph	Brighton, Nelson	Registered under New Munster Ordinance.
" Mar. 10	Lee, Walter	Auckland	No diploma produced. In practice prior to 1857.
" June 27	Lethbridge, Charles Frederick	Shortland, Auckland	Mem. R. Coll. Surg. Eng. 1865.
" April 11	Lewis, Frederick	Ngaruawahia, Waikato	Lic. Soc. Apoth. Lond. 1856.
" July 31	Macdonald, Alexander	Auckland	No diploma produced. In practice prior to 1857.
1869, May 14	Macdonald, Hugh	Porirua, Wellington	M.D. 1863. Mast. Surg. 1863, Univ. Glasg.
" " 14	Marr, Joseph Bell	Spring Grove, Nelson	Lic. Fac. Phys. Surg. Glasg. 1860. Lic. R. Coll. Phys. Edin. 1864.
1868, Nov. 19	McBrearty, James	Outram, West Taieri, Otago	Lic. Fac. Phys. Surg. Glasg. 1860.
" " 19	McCambridge, Daniel	Mount Ida, Otago	Registered under Otago Act.
1869, Sept. 23	McClure, William George	Southland	Mem. R. Coll. Surg. Eng. 1847. M.D. Univ. Glasg. 1847. Lic. Midwif. Univ. Glasg. 1847.
" " 23	McLauchlan, John	Waipou, Otago	M.D. 1867. Mast. Surg. 1867, Univ. Glasg.
" May 14	McLean, Duncan	Timaru, Canterbury	Lic. Fac. Phys. Surg. Glasg. 1861.
1868, Mar. 7	Merrett, George Augustus	Auckland	M.D. Michigan (U.S.).
" May 21	Monckton, Francis Alexander	Riverton, Southland	Registered under New Munster Ordinance.
" Dec. 9	Moorhouse, Benjamin	Rangitata, Canterbury	No diploma produced. In practice prior to 1857.
" June 27	Morice, Charles Lloyd	Greymouth	Mem. 1855, Lic. Midwif. 1856, R. Coll. Surg. Eng. Lic. Soc. Apoth. Lond. 1855.
1869, May 14	Morris, Mathew	Kaiapoi, Canterbury	Registered under New Munster Ordinance.
1868, April 11	Motley, Charles	Lyttelton, Canterbury	Registered under New Munster Ordinance.
" " 29	Mourilyan, Thomas Clayson...	Hokitika	Registered under Medical Board of Victoria.
1869, Sept. 23	Mussen, Phillip Johnson	Wanganui, Wellington	Registered under Wellington Medical Board Act.
" May 14	Nedwill, Courtney	Christchurch, Canterbury	Mem. R. Coll. Surg. Eng. 1860. M.D. Q. Univ. Irel. 1860.
1868, April 29	Nicholson, John Robinson	Auckland	M.D. Univ. Edin. 1852. Lic. R. Coll. Surg. Edin. 1852.
" May 21	Nicholson, Mark Edwin Bullen	Auckland	Mem. R. Coll. Surg. Eng. 1850. Lic. Soc. Apoth. Lond. 1856.
1869, " 14	Niven, John Duncan	Tapanui, Otago	M.D. Univ. Edin. 1862.
1868, Nov. 19	O'Donnoghue, David	Port Chalmers	Lic. R. Coll. Phys. Edin. 1861. Lic. R. Coll. Surg. Edin. 1861.
" Dec. 9	Oldham, Thomas	Waimea South, Nelson	No diploma produced. In practice prior to 1857.
1869, Dec. 14	Oliver, Richard	Shortland, Auckland	Mem. R. Coll. Surg. Eng. 1861. Lic. Soc. Apoth. Lond. 1861.
1868, June 27	Park, John Steele	Motueka, Nelson	Lic. Soc. Apoth. Lond. 1859.
" Dec. 9	Parker, John	Christchurch, Canterbury	No diploma produced. In practice prior to 1857.
" April 29	Parkerson, Burrell	Christchurch, Canterbury	Registered under New Munster Ordinance.
1869, May 14	Parkerson, Burrell, junr.	Christchurch, Canterbury	No diploma produced. In practice prior to 1857.
" " 14	Pearson, Edwin Bold	Akaroa, Canterbury	Mem. R. Coll. Surg. Eng. 1864. Lic. Soc. Apoth. Lond. 1864.
1868, June 27	Perston, William Augustus	Whangarei, Auckland	M.D. Univ. Glasg. 1852. Lic. Fac. Phys. Surg. Glasg. 1852.
" April 29	Pierce, Thomas David	Newton, Auckland	Mem. R. Coll. Surg. Eng. 1857.
" Mar. 10	Philson, Thomas Moore	Auckland	M.D. Univ. Edin. 1839. Lic. R. Coll. Surg. Edin. 1839.
" Dec. 9	Phillips, William Edward	Montrose, Hurunui, Nelson	Mem. R. Coll. Surg. Eng. 1867.
" April 29	Prins, John Horsford	Christchurch, Canterbury	Registered under New Munster Ordinance.
" " 29	Purchas, Arthur Guyon	Auckland	Mem. R. Coll. Surg. Eng. 1842. Lic. Soc. Apoth. Lond. 1842.
1869, May 14	Purdie, William	Dunedin, Otago	Registered under Otago Act.
1868, April 29	Rayner, Thomas Ottery	Temuka, Canterbury	Registered under New Munster Ordinance.
" " 11	Rayner, William	Papakura, Auckland	Mem. R. Coll. Surg. Eng. 1860.
" May 21	Rawson, Thomas Edward	Taranaki	Registered under New Munster Ordinance.
" Nov. 19	Reimer, Carl Nicolaus	Dunedin, Otago	Registered under Otago Act.
" June 27	Renwick, Thomas	Nelson	Registered under New Munster Ordinance.
1869, May 14	Richards, Henry	Christchurch, Canterbury	No diploma produced. In practice prior to 1857.
1868, Nov. 19	Richardson, Frederick Hall	Dunedin, Otago	Lic. Soc. Apoth. Lond. 1829. Mem. R. Coll. Surg. Eng. 1830.
" May 21	Rossetti, Francisco	Hokitika	Registered under New Munster Ordinance.
" June 27	Russell, George Ireland	Napier	Mem. R. Coll. Surg. Eng. 1860. Lic. Soc. Apoth. Lond. 1863.
" April 29	Ryley, Rutherford John	Hokitika	Lic. R. Coll. Surg. Edin. 1862. Fell. R. Coll. Surg. Edin. 1867.
" May 21	Scott, Charles	Invercargill	Lic. Fac. Phys. Surg. Glasg.
" June 27	Sissons, Richard	Whangarei, Auckland	Mem. R. Coll. Surg. Eng. 1842. Lic. Soc. Apoth. Lond. 1842.
" July 31	Shaw, Charles	Dunstan, Otago	Lic. R. Coll. Surg. Edin. 1858. M.D. Univ. Aberd. 1861.
" April 29	Smith, John	Wairarapa, Wellington	Lic. Fac. Phys. Surg. Glasg. 1861.
" July 31	Smith, John Gibson	Clutha Ferry, Otago	Lic. R. Coll. Surg. Edin. 1857.
1869, May 14	Smith, Patrick	Greymouth, Nelson	Lic. Apoth. Hall, Dubl. 1848.
" Sept. 23	Sorley, Henry	Dunedin, Otago	M.D. Univ. Glasg. 1832. Mast. Surg. Univ. Glasg. 1832.
" May 14	Spratt, Henry Howell	Greytown, Wellington	Mem. R. Coll. Surg. Eng. 1868. Lic. Soc. Apoth. Lond. 1868.
1868, June 27	Spratt, Henry Thomas	Wairarapa, Wellington	Registered under Wellington Medical Board Act, 1854.
" Mar. 7	Squires, William Westbrooke	Nelson	M.D. Univ. Edin. 1864. Mem. R. Coll. Surg. Eng. 1864.
" May 21	St. George, George	New Plymouth	No diploma produced. In practice prior to 1857.
" Nov. 19	Stewart, Alexander	Tuapeka, Otago	M.D. Univ. Glasg. 1862.
" " 29	Stockwell, William	Auckland	Lic. R. Coll. Surg. Edin. 1853.
" April 11	Stratford, Samuel John	Auckland	Mem. R. Coll. Surg. Eng. 1826.
" Nov. 19	Tapley, Henry	Auckland	Mem. R. Coll. Surg. Eng. 1849.

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1869, Nov. 2	Tassell, Robert	Auckland	Mem. R. Coll. Surg. Eng. 1849. Lic. Soc. Apoth. Lond. 1849. M.D. St. And. 1862.
1868, " 19	Tilby, James	Nelson	Registered under New Munster Ordinance.
" Feb. 20	Thorpe, Samuel	Nelson	Mem. R. Coll. Surg. Eng. 1852. Lic. Soc. Apoth. Lond. 1853.
1869, Oct. 10	Tripe, William Borrowdale ...	Rangiora, Canterbury ...	Registered under New Munster Ordinance.
1868, Jan. 9	Turnbull, James Somerville ...	Christchurch	M.D. Univ. Edin. — Lic. R. Coll. Surg. Edin. —
" April 11	Tyerman, Daniel Fletcher ...	Wanganui	Lic. Soc. Apoth. Lond. 1833. Mem. R. Coll. Surg. Eng. 1834.
" June 27	Vickerman, Francis Longbourne	Nelson	Registered under New Munster Ordinance.
" April 11	Waddington, Edward	Auckland	Mem. R. Coll. Surg. Eng. 1853. Lic. R. Coll. Phys. Edin. 1859. Lic. K. Q. Coll. Irel. 1860. M.D. St. And.
" Nov. 19	Waters, John Jones	Dunedin, Otago	Registered under Otago Act.
1869, May 14	Watkins, Daniel	Akaroa, Canterbury	Registered under New Munster Ordinance.
" " 14	Watson, David	Portobello, Otago	Lic. Fac. Phys. Surg. Glasg. 1863.
1868, Nov. 19	Watling, Henry Wyatt	Waimate, Bay of Islands	Mem. R. Coll. Surg. Eng. 1843. Lic. Soc. Apoth. Lond. 1844.
" " 19	Weber, Adolph	Tokomairiro, Otago	Registered under Otago Act.
" " 19	Weckes, Henry	Shortland, Auckland	Mem. R. Coll. Surg. Eng. 1836. Lic. Soc. Apoth. Lond. 1836.
1869, Sept. 23	Weld, John Edward	Havelock, Marlborough...	Lic. Soc. Apoth. Lond. 1861.
1868, April 11	Wilford, John George Frederick	Hutt, Wellington	Mem. R. Coll. Surg. Eng. 1864.
" Nov. 19	Williams, Henry	Blenheim	Registered under New Munster Ordinance.
" June 27	Worrall, Joseph	Westport, Nelson	Registered under New Munster Ordinance.
" April 11	Wright, Frederick William ...	Auckland	Lic. Medical Board, Toronto, B.N.A.
1869, Dec. 7.	Yates, William Augustus	Dunedin	Mem. R. Coll. Surg. Eng. 1838. M.D. Univ. Edin. 1839.
1868, July 31	Young, Daniel James	Hokitika	Registered under New Munster Ordinance.
" Nov. 19	Zurhorst, Frederick Melchior	Ross, Westland	Registered under New Munster Ordinance.

PARTICULARS of the Estates of Deceased Persons which have been placed under the charge of ROBERT ABBOTT, Esq., Curator of the Estates of Deceased Persons, during the Month of December, 1869.

Nb.	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.
4	Allen, Charles, miner	Ross ...	Ireland ...	...	...	17 Dec., 1869	Next of kin will administer.
5	Ford, Elisha, miner	Grey River	...	...	...	22 Dec., 1869	Drowned in Grey River. Watch, ring, and 13 ounces of gold handed to mate at inquest.
20	Miller, Walter, baker	Greenstone	Scotland ...	...	£9	4 Dec., 1869	Died in Hokitika Hospital.
21	Monro, George, violinist	Grey District	...	...	...	5 Dec., 1869	Said to be Pensioner formerly in British Army.
22	McTurk, William	Invercargill	Scotland ...	...	Valueless	12 Dec., 1869	Died at sea on ss. Gottenberg.
6	Peel, John, miner	Waimea ...	Cumberland	...	£900	18 May, 1868	Died in Brisbane Hospital.

Dated at Hokitika, the 31st day of December, 1869.

ROBERT ABBOTT,
Curator.

ABSTRACT of METEOROLOGICAL OBSERVATIONS, New Zealand, for the Month of NOVEMBER, 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.		LOUD.
	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 (0 to 10).
MONGONUI Same month previous 4 years	29·846 29·918	·630 ...	62·0 60·5	14·6 ...	34·5 ...	... ...	... ...	·456 ·421	82 72	3·010 4·580	11 10	174	399, 9th	6·7
AUCKLAND Same month previous 5 years	29·853 29·826	·493 ...	60·7 61·9	16·6 ...	32·0 ...	146·0 ...	27·8 ...	·422 ·401	80 71	1·932 3·467	12 14	341	540, 14th	4·5
TARANAKI Same month previous 5 years	29·778 29·862	·607 ...	58·4 59·3	17·9 ...	35·0 ...	150·0 ...	... ...	·316 ·427	64 76	·890 4·314	14 14	230	475, 4th	6·6
WELLINGTON Same month previous 5 years	29·800 29·778	·812 ...	57·6 57·2	12·8 ...	30·0 ...	124·0 ...	40·0 ...	·353 ·336	74 68	2·045 3·999	11 12	190	370, 22nd	5·3
NELSON Same month previous 5 years	29·794 29·790	·729 ...	59·2 57·6	25·7 ...	39·0 ...	156·0 ...	... ...	·365 ·411	72 74	5·540 5·808	6 8	120	302, 11th	6·5
CHRISTCHURCH Same month previous 5 years	29·787 29·698	1·081 ...	56·0 57·3	15·8 ...	41·2 ...	146·7 ...	23·9 ...	·358 ·338	80 67	1·376 2·281	14 9	170	370, 14th	6·0
BEALEY Same month previous year	29·652 29·752	·860 ...	50·4 50·7	18·9 ...	39·8 ...	124·2 ...	16·4 ...	·261 ·367	72 83	3·946 7·248	17 19	75	140, 22nd	5·0
HOKITIKA Same month previous 3 years	29·819 29·804	·874 ...	55·1 53·8	13·5 ...	28·0 ...	91·8 ...	... ...	·357 ·398	82 90	3·700 15·690	14 21	232	497, 21st	5·9
DUNEDIN Same month previous 5 years	29·802 29·853	1·075 ...	53·1 52·7	15·1 ...	34·0 ...	154·0 ...	23·0 ...	·298 ·280	76 68	1·409 3·158	9 19	137	390, 23rd	6·0
SOUTHLAND Same month previous 4 years	29·734 29·622	1·093 ...	52·7 52·3	22·2 ...	42·0 ...	... ...	23·0 ...	·329 ·269	82 68	3·390 5·597	10 17	140	310, 25th	5·4

* From 1st of this month observations recorded at new Observatory, altitude 140 feet.

NOTES.

- Mongonui.*—Generally fine weather. Strong E. wind on 6th and unusually high tide; strong N.E. wind on 9th, with rain and thunder; on 16th strong N.W. wind, with thunder; and on 30th stormy from same quarter, also with thunder. Prevailing wind S.W.
- Auckland.*—On whole fine pleasant weather during month. Stormy on 14th from W.; strong westerly wind on night of 26th, with heavy rain and thunder. Prevailing wind from S.
- Taranaki.*—Pleasant weather at this station. Strong wind from S.E. on 4th and 5th, also on 14th from same quarter; on 27th and 29th strong W. winds, with slight rain; fog on 1st. Prevailing wind W.
- Wellington.*—On the whole very fine weather, rain below the average and winds moderate. It was stormy on 22nd from N.W. and on 28th from same quarter, with rain; smart shock of earthquake reported at Wanganui at 2 a.m. on 26th. Prevailing wind N.W.
- Nelson.*—Strong wind from N. and N.E. on 11th, with rain; on 29th strong S.W. wind, with rain; otherwise weather tolerably fine; rain rather below average; sharp shock of earthquake at 1.30 a.m. on 28th. Prevailing wind S.W.
- Christchurch.*—Pleasant weather generally during month. Earthquake at .50 a.m. on 3rd and slight shock on 13th at night; strong N.W. wind on 22nd, which shifted to S.W. and brought rain. Prevailing wind E.
- Bealey.*—Very fine weather during the month, small rainfall and light winds; eighteen days of N.W. wind.
- Hokitika.*—Strong winds at this station but small rainfall. On 11th strong S.W. wind, with rain; stormy from 19th to 23rd from N.W., changing to S.W.; thunder on 19th and 22nd, not much rain; on 24th gale from S.W., with heavy rain; also on 29th stormy from S.W., with showers and thunder and lightning at night. Prevailing wind S.W.
- Dunedin.*—Unusually fine dry weather throughout the month. Prevailing wind N.E.
- Southland.*—Fine weather at this station during month. Severe thunder storm on 10th, with heavy rain and vivid lightning; also thunder on 21st; hail on 24th; nineteen days S.E. wind.

GENERAL REMARKS.

The weather for this month was unusually fine and pleasant throughout New Zealand, the rainfall being considerably below the average, and the winds generally moderate, except on the West Coast of Middle Island, where strong S.W. winds prevailed.

JAMES HECTOR, Inspector.