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**NEW ZEALAND GAZETTE.**

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G. F. BOWEN, Governor.  
 A PROCLAMATION.

WHEREAS by an Act of the General Assembly, intituled "The County of Westland Act, 1867," it is enacted that it shall be lawful for the Governor in Council, from time to time, as he may think fit, by Proclamation published in the *New Zealand Gazette*, to make regulations for the sale, letting, disposal, occupation, and management of any waste lands of the Crown within the County of Westland, and to sell, let, and dispose thereof at such prices, and in such allotments, and generally in such manner as he shall deem expedient, and in like manner to alter, vary, or annul any such regulations, and to make others:

And whereas by a Proclamation issued on the seventeenth day of November last by His Excellency the Governor, with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of New Zealand, and published in the *New Zealand Gazette* on the twenty-ninth day of November last, certain regulations were made for the sale, letting, disposal, occupation, and management of the waste lands of the Crown in the County of Westland:

And whereas by a certain other Act of the General Assembly, intituled "The Gold Fields Act, 1866," it is enacted that any district proclaimed or to be proclaimed a gold field, shall not be subject to any provisions of any law for the time being in force regulating the sale, disposal, and occupation of Crown Lands within the Province in which such gold field is situate, except (amongst other exceptions) so far as the provisions of such law may specially authorize the sale or leasing of land within a gold field:

And whereas it is expedient that provision should be made, specially authorizing the sale and lease of the waste lands of the Crown within any gold field proclaimed or to be proclaimed within the County of Westland:

Now therefore I, Sir George Ferguson Bowen, the Governor of New Zealand, in pursuance and exercise of the power and authority conferred on me by the

hereinbefore first recited Act, do hereby, with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of New Zealand, make and proclaim the regulations contained in the Schedule hereto, to be read with and as forming part of the said regulations made on the seventeenth day of November last, for the sale, letting, disposal, occupation, and management of the waste lands of the Crown in the County of Westland.

SCHEDULE.

*Lands within Gold Fields.*

1. The term "the regulations" shall be construed to mean the regulations for the time being in force for the sale, letting, disposal, occupation, and management of the waste lands of the Crown in the County of Westland.

2. Lands situate within any gold field, now or hereafter proclaimed, shall be sold, leased, or otherwise dealt with under these regulations, in the same manner, by the same persons, and subject to the same conditions as if such lands were not situate within a gold field, and the regulations shall be deemed to specially authorize such sale, lease, or other disposal.

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

Approved in Council.

HENRY D. PITT, Captain, R.A.,  
 Private Secretary

(for the Clerk of the Executive Council).

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN!

G. F. BOWEN, Governor.  
ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government House, at Auckland, this  
twenty-fourth day of January, 1870.

Present:

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR IN COUNCIL.

WHEREAS by "The Merchant Shipping Acts Adoption Act, 1869," it is enacted that the various books, instruments, and papers required to be used under the said Act, or the provisions of the Acts thereby adopted, shall be supplied at the Custom Houses or Mercantile Marine Offices in New Zealand, at such moderate prices as the Governor in Council may from time to time fix: And whereas by the said "Merchant Shipping Acts Adoption Act, 1869," it is further enacted that in case any Seaman shall be unable to produce a Certificate of Discharge from his last ship, it shall be lawful for the Superintendent of any Mercantile Marine Office, or any Officer of Customs, on being satisfied of the fact of such inability, and upon payment of such fee as may be fixed by the Governor in Council, to grant to such Seaman a permit to engage himself in any foreign-going ship; or if any Seaman shall prove to the satisfaction of such Officer that, without any fault of his own, he has lost or been deprived of his Certificate of Discharge, such Officer may grant a permit as aforesaid to ship in any home-trade ship: And whereas it is expedient to fix the prices aforesaid, and the amount of the said fee:—

Now, therefore, His Excellency Sir George Ferguson Bowen, the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, in exercise of the authority in him vested by the said recited Act, by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of the Colony, doth hereby fix the prices mentioned in the table following as the prices for such books, instruments, and papers as aforesaid, that is to say:

<i>Description of the Book, Instrument, or Paper.</i>	<i>Price.</i>
The Form of Agreement with Seamen mentioned in the 149th Section of "The Merchant Shipping Act, 1854," whether for a foreign-going ship or home-trade ship	Three shillings (3s.)
Allotment Notes	Three pence (3d.)
Account of Seamen's Wages	Three pence (3d.)
Certificate of Discharge	Three pence (3d.)
Submission to Arbitration	Six pence (6d.)
Official Log	Five shillings (5s.)
Regulations of Board of Trade	Six pence (6d.)
Release at the Termination of a Voyage	Two shillings (2s.)

And in further exercise of the said authority, His Excellency the Governor, by and with the advice and consent of the aforesaid Council, doth hereby fix Five Shillings as the fee to be paid before the grant of such permit as is in the said recited Act mentioned.

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

G. F. BOWEN, Governor.  
ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government House, at Auckland, this  
twenty-fourth day of January, 1870.

Present:

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR IN COUNCIL.

WHEREAS by "The Gold Fields Act, 1866," it is amongst other things enacted that it shall be lawful for the Governor, by Order in Council, from time to time to constitute for any Gold Field, or for any part thereof, Wardens' Courts for the administration of justice therein, and to appoint Wardens of such Courts, with power to act alone or with assessors, and in such manner, and to exercise

all or any of the powers thereafter mentioned, as the Governor shall think fit to direct:

Now therefore, His Excellency the Governor, by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of the Colony, doth hereby, in pursuance and exercise of the power and authority vested in him for this purpose, appoint

CALEB WHITEFOORD

to be a Warden of all Wardens' Courts now constituted or hereafter to be constituted within the Nelson South-west Gold Fields, with power to him to act alone or with assessors, and to exercise all or any of the powers vested in or imposed on Judges of Wardens' Courts.

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

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.

IN exercise of the powers vested in the Governor by "The Native Reserves Act, 1856," and "The Native Reserves Amendment Act, 1862," the Governor, with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of the Colony, doth order that the land hereinafter described—that is to say: All that parcel of land containing by admeasurement one (1) acre three (3) roods and sixteen (16) perches, be the same more or less, situated in the City of Nelson, being sections two hundred and sixty-six (266) and two hundred and sixty-nine (269) on the plan of the said city; bounded on the North by land granted to Joseph McCartney, and by land granted to Francis Dillon Bell, five hundred (500) links, and by the said land granted to Francis Dillon Bell, one hundred (100) links; towards the North-east by the said land granted to Francis Dillon Bell, five hundred and thirty-eight (538) links; towards the South by Weka Street, eight hundred (800) links; and towards the West by section two hundred and sixty-three (263) on the said plan, two hundred (200) links, and by the aforesaid land granted to Francis Dillon Bell, three hundred (300) links: Excepting the North Road, seventy-five (75) links in width, which intersects the said section two hundred and sixty-six (266); part of a Native Reserve, being land subject to the operation of the said Acts—shall be granted to Herbert Evelyn Curtis and Oswald Curtis, of Nelson aforesaid, merchants, in exchange for the town acre numbered nine hundred and forty-six (946) on the plan of the said City of Nelson, and in consideration of the sum of fifty-five (55) pounds paid and to be paid by them for equality of exchange.

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

G. F. BOWEN, Governor.

IN pursuance and exercise of the power and authority in me vested in this behalf by the Regulations for the sale and disposal of Waste Lands in the County of Westland, I hereby reserve the lands in the said County of Westland, the boundaries whereof are described in the Schedule hereunto annexed, for the uses of the Colonial Government, and other public purposes, as in the said Schedule is more particularly specified.

Given under the hand of His Excellency Sir George Ferguson Bowen, Knight Grand

Cross of the Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George, Governor and Commander-in-Chief in and over Her Majesty's Colony of New Zealand and its Dependencies, and Vice-Admiral of the same, at Auckland, this twenty-ninth day of January, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and seventy.

W. GISBORNE.

SCHEDULE.

Lot numbered sixty-five (65) (in red), sixty acres, more or less, bounded on the Southward by the town of Hokitika; on the Westward, by Reserve No. 32 (in red); on the Northward, by a line ten chains distant from and parallel to the Southern boundary; and on the Eastward by a line sixty-one chains from and parallel to the Western boundary, subject to a road: for Government purposes.

Lot number sixty-six (66) (in red), twenty-one acres, more or less, situate near the mouth of the Totara Kai Torea River; bounded on the Southward and Eastward by the said river; and on the Westward and Northward by the sea beach and lagoon: for the purpose of a Ferry.

G. F. BOWEN, Governor.

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

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

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

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

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

As witness the hand of His Excellency the Governor, this twenty-first day of January, one thousand eight hundred and seventy.

W. GISBORNE.

Colonial Secretary's Office,  
Wellington, 4th February, 1870.

A MISPRINT having been discovered in section 187 of "The Municipal Corporations Act, 1867," as printed in the Statute Books, a copy of that section from the original Roll is reprinted here for general information.

W. GISBORNE.

Preceding provisions of Part XIII. to apply.

187. The preceding provisions of this part touching the express repeal by adopting bye-laws of bye-laws repugnant thereto inconsistent therewith or dealing or purporting to deal with the subject-matter thereof shall apply in the case of all bye-laws made under the last preceding section.

Colonial Secretary's Office,  
Wellington, 4th February, 1870.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint

JOHN GILLIES, Esq.,

to be Deputy to the Principal Returning Officer of the Province of Otago.

W. GISBORNE.

Colonial Secretary's Office,  
Wellington, 4th February, 1870.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint

JOHN GILLIES, Esq.,

to be Deputy Returning Officer for the Districts of City of Dunedin, the Peninsula, Green Island and Caversham, Wakari, and North Harbour, for the election of Members of the Provincial Council of the Province of Otago.

W. GISBORNE.

Colonial Secretary's Office,  
Wellington, 2nd February, 1870.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint

JOHN GILLIES, Esq.,

to be Deputy Registrar of Marriages, and of Births, Deaths, and Marriages, for the District of Dunedin, as the same is defined in Proclamation of 30th day of November, 1865, and published in *New Zealand Gazette*, No. 48, of 11th December, 1865.

W. GISBORNE.

Colonial Secretary's Office,  
Wellington, 2nd February, 1870.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint

WILLIAM DONALD, Esq.,

to be Returning Officer for the election of Members of the House of Representatives for the Electoral District of City of Christchurch.

W. GISBORNE.

Colonial Secretary's Office,  
Wellington, 2nd February, 1870.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint

JOHN BURNSIDE, Esq.,

to be Registration Officer for the Province of Otago to form Electoral Rolls for the election of Members of the Provincial Council thereof.

W. GISBORNE.

Colonial Secretary's Office,  
Wellington, 27th January, 1870.

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

GUSTAV ALBRECHT CARL BREMME,

of Liverpool, in the County of Lancaster, in England, Civil Engineer, of Letters Patent, dated 12th December, 1868, granted in England for "Improvements in Machinery for breaking and softening Flax and other fibrous materials, which improvements are applicable to Calendering Rollers and other purposes where the same kind of reciprocating rotary action can be usefully adopted."

W. GISBORNE.

Colonial Secretary's Office,  
Wellington, 2nd February, 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.
Jorgen Peter Sorensen...	Westport, Nelson ...	Miner.
Lars Petersen ... ..	Shortland, Auckland	Mariner.
Theodore Carl Christian Jorgensen	The Seventeen Mile Beach Diggings, Nelson	Miner.
Edward Christian Frendenreich Jorgensen	Ditto ... ..	Ditto.
Herrmann Doring ...	Dunedin ... ..	Butcher.

W. GISBORNE.

Colonial Secretary's Office,  
Wellington, 31st January, 1870.

IT is hereby notified for public information, that the under-mentioned Suburban Allotments, adjoining the Township of Raleigh (Waitara), will be offered for sale by auction, on Saturday, the 5th day of March, 1870, at the upset prices named in the Schedule hereunto attached.

The sale will be held at the Taranaki Institute, New Plymouth, and will commence at 12 o'clock in the morning.

W. GISBORNE.

SCHEDULE.

TOWNSHIP OF RALEIGH (WAITARA).  
Suburban Allotments, East Bank.

Number.	Area.			Upset Price.		
	A.	R.	P.	£	s.	d.
1	15	3	37	47	19	0
2	21	0	4	63	1	0
3	17	1	38	52	9	0

Colonial Secretary's Office,  
(Judicial Branch),  
Wellington, 2nd February, 1870.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint

JOHN WILLIAMSON, Esq.,  
to be Curator of Intestate Estates to act within the Auckland District, *vice* W. Corbett, Esq., resigned.

W. GISBORNE.

Colonial Secretary's Office,  
(Judicial Branch),  
Wellington, 28th January, 1870.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to accept the resignation by

CALEB WHITEFOORD, Esq.,  
of his appointment as Clerk of the Warden's Court of the Nelson South-west Gold Fields, at Westport.

W. GISBORNE.

Colonial Secretary's Office,  
(Judicial Branch),  
Wellington, 28th January, 1870.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint

CALEB WHITEFOORD, Esq.,  
of Cobden, Nelson, to be a Justice of the Peace for the Colony.

W. GISBORNE.

Colonial Secretary's Office,  
(Judicial Branch),  
Wellington, 28th January, 1870.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint

CALEB WHITEFOORD, Esq., J.P.,  
to be a Resident Magistrate, under "The Resident Magistrates Act, 1867," for the District of Nelson South-west Gold Fields, and as such to exercise the extended jurisdiction conferred on the Courts of the said District.

W. GISBORNE.

Colonial Secretary's Office,  
(Judicial Branch),  
Wellington, 29th January, 1870.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint

MAILLARD NOAKE, Esq.,  
of Patea, to be a Coroner for the Colony.

W. GISBORNE.

Colonial Secretary's Office,  
(Judicial Branch),

Wellington, 29th January, 1870.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint

THOMAS BRUNNER, Esq.,  
to be Sheriff for the District of Nelson, *vice* B. Walmsley, Esq., resigned.

W. GISBORNE.

Colonial Secretary's Office,  
(Judicial Branch),  
Wellington, 29th January, 1870.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint

RICHARD DAVIS, Esq.,  
to be Deputy Registrar, at Christchurch, of the Supreme Court.

W. GISBORNE.

Colonial Defence Office,  
Wellington, 31st January, 1870.

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

*In the New Zealand Militia.*

Edward Mortimer Edgcumbe to be Ensign. Date of commission, 22nd January, 1870.

Captain Charles Alexander Humfrey (Napier Militia) to be Adjutant of the Militia and Volunteers in the Hutt and Taita portion of the Wellington Militia District. Date of commission, 1st January, 1870.

*In the Masterton Rifle Volunteers.*

Henry Bentley to be Ensign. Date of commission, 18th October, 1869.

*In the Pelorus Rangers Volunteers.*

Thomas Brown to be Ensign. Date of commission, 3rd December, 1869.

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

Colonial Defence Office,  
Wellington, 31st January, 1870.

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

Honorary Lieutenant C. H. Thorpe, Motueka Rifle Volunteer Cadets.

Second Lieutenant W. H. McCabe, Nelson Artillery Volunteers.

Cornet Isaac Bayly, Taranaki Cavalry Volunteers.

Cornet F. Slee, Canterbury Yeomanry Cavalry Volunteers.

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

Colonial Defence Office,  
Wellington, 31st January, 1870.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to form the under-mentioned Volunteer Corps into an Administrative Battalion, viz. :—

The No. 2 Company, Auckland Rifle Volunteers,

" 5 ditto ditto,

" 3 ditto ditto,

" 1 ditto ditto,

" 6 ditto ditto,

" 4 ditto ditto,

and to appoint

Lieutenant-Colonel William Charles Lyon (Auckland Militia)

to command the same. Date of commission, 17th January, 1870.

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

Colonial Defence Office,  
Wellington, 2nd February, 1870.

NOTICE is hereby given, that, from and after this date, no applications from members of the late Hawke's Bay Colonial Defence Force or Military Settlers, in reply to the Circular, No. 11, of the 18th February, 1869, in reference to the military settlement on land ceded by the Natives at Poverty Bay, will be received at this office.

The drawing of lots for order of choice by those who have signed the conditions will take place at the office of the Government Agent at Napier, on Wednesday, the 30th of March, 1870.

G. S. COOPER,  
Acting Under Secretary.

Native Office,  
Wellington, 4th February, 1870.

IT is hereby notified, that the Native Title over the piece of land known as the Government Paddock, at Turanganui, Poverty Bay, and of which the boundaries are hereinafter described, had been extinguished previously to the 1st July, 1869, namely:—Bounded on the North by the Taruheru River; on the East by the Matawhero Block, No. 5, 744 links; on the South by the said Matawhero Block, No. 5, 4,094 links; and on the West by land granted to T. Ureu, 897 links, and containing fifty-eight (58) acres, more or less.

W. Fox  
(for the Native Minister).

Native Office,  
Wellington, 4th February, 1870.

IT is hereby notified, that the Native Title has been extinguished over the blocks of land mentioned or described in the Schedule hereunto annexed.

W. Fox  
(for the Native Minister).

SCHEDULE.

PROVINCE OF AUCKLAND.

*Waihou District.—Taurikomore Block.*

Estimated to contain 500 acres; situated near the Waihou River; bounded towards the South-east and North-east by the Hotukauri Block; towards the South-east by the Rangiora Block; towards the South by the Tawa Puku and Upoko Tauhi Blocks; towards the South-west by the Upoko Tauhi Block aforesaid; and on the North-west by the Arawhaka-pekapeka Block.

*Waihou District.—Hotukauri Block.*

Estimated to contain 4,000 acres; situated on the Waihou River; bounded towards the North-east and South-east by the Rangiora Block; towards the South-west by the Taurikomore Block; towards the North-west by the Taurikomore and Arawhaka-pekapeka Blocks; and on the North by the Waihou River.

General Post Office,  
Wellington, 21st January, 1870.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to authorize

THE SENIOR CLERK IN THE OFFICE OF THE  
SECRETARY OF CROWN LANDS

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

W. GISBORNE  
(for the Postmaster-General).

General Post Office,  
Wellington, 31st January, 1870.

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

By order.

G. ELLIOTT ELLIOTT,  
Secretary.

General Post Office,  
Queensland, 10th January, 1870.

SIR,—I am directed to inform you that the Money Order Office at Burketown, in this Colony, was on the 1st instant abolished.

I have, &c.,  
J. GULLAND,  
Secretary.

The Controller,  
Money Order Office, Wellington.

Registrar-General's Office,  
Wellington, 1st February, 1870.

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 names of Officiating Ministers, within the meaning of the said Act, are published for general information:—

*Roman Catholic Church.*

The Reverend PATRICK FRANCIS MALONEY.

*United Methodist Free Churches.*

The Reverend ROBERT TAYLOR.

I, JOHN B. BENNETT, Registrar-General of Births, Deaths, and Marriages in New Zealand, do hereby certify that the foregoing NAMES OF OFFICIATING MINISTERS, within the meaning of "The Marriage Act, 1854," have been sent in to me in addition to the names in a List published in the *New Zealand Gazette*, No. 6, of the 29th of January, in the present year.

Given under my hand, at Wellington, this first day of February, one thousand eight hundred and seventy.

JOHN B. BENNETT,  
Registrar-General.

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

"The Loyal Naseby Lodge, No. 14 Branch of the Otago District, Manchester Unity Independent Order of Odd Fellows,"

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

Dated the 2nd day of February, 1870.

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

NOTICE is hereby given, that a certain Deed, bearing date the twelfth day of January, 1870, made between one John Michael French, of the City of Auckland, Province of Auckland, and Colony of New Zealand, Grocer, of the first part; George Turrell, Stannus Jones, and George William Binney, all of the City of Auckland aforesaid, Merchants, of the second part; and the several Creditors of the said John Michael French of the third part; whereby the said John Michael French conveyed and assigned to the said George Turrell, Stannus Jones, and George William Binney the whole of his real and personal estate for the equal benefit of his creditors, has been this day filed in the Supreme Court of New Zealand at Auckland.

Dated this eighteenth day of January, 1870.

THOS. S. WESTON,  
Solicitor to the said John Michael French.

**T**OWER of London Gold Mining Company, Registered. Nominal capital, £11,000. Paid up, £6,600.

		<i>Liabilities.</i>		£	s.	d.
To accounts owing ...	...	...	...	46	13	6
„ balance ...	...	...	...	4,341	3	9
				<u>£4,387</u>	<u>17</u>	<u>3</u>
		<i>Assets.</i>		£	s.	d.
By uncalled capital ...	...	...	...	4,345	0	0
„ calls unpaid ...	...	...	...	37	12	6
„ cash on hand ...	...	...	...	5	4	9
				<u>£4,387</u>	<u>17</u>	<u>3</u>
Balance ...	...	...	...	£4,341	3	9

D. B. WALLACE,  
Manager.

Grahamstown, 12th January, 1870. 14

**R**OYAL Charter Gold Mining Company, Registered. Nominal capital, £6,000. Paid up capital, £4,500.

		<i>Liabilities.</i>		£	s.	d.
Accounts owing ...	...	...	...	2	0	0
Balance ...	...	...	...	1,469	4	0
				<u>£1,471</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>0</u>
		<i>Assets.</i>		£	s.	d.
Uncalled capital ...	...	...	...	1,410	0	0
Calls unpaid ...	...	...	...	18	6	4
Cash on hand ...	...	...	...	42	17	8
				<u>£1,471</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>0</u>
Balance ...	...	...	...	£1,469	4	0

W. F. CLIFTON,  
Manager.

Grahamstown, 24th January, 1870. 16

**M**OCKING Bird Gold Mining Company, Registered. Nominal capital, £6,000. Paid up capital, £4,500.

		<i>Liabilities.</i>		£	s.	d.
Accounts owing ...	...	...	...	71	14	1
Balance ...	...	...	...	1,219	11	11
				<u>£1,291</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>0</u>
		<i>Assets.</i>		£	s.	d.
Uncalled capital ...	...	...	...	1,200	0	0
Unpaid calls ...	...	...	...	91	6	0
				<u>£1,291</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>0</u>
Balance ...	...	...	...	£1,219	11	11

W. F. CLIFTON,  
Manager.

Grahamstown, 31st December, 1869. 17

**C**HALLENGER Gold Mining Company, Registered. Nominal capital, £19,000. Paid up capital, £15,200.

		<i>Liabilities.</i>		£	s.	d.
Accounts owing ...	...	...	...	60	8	3
Balance ...	...	...	...	3,612	0	0
				<u>£3,672</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>3</u>
		<i>Assets.</i>		£	s.	d.
Uncalled capital ...	...	...	...	3,610	4	0
Calls unpaid ...	...	...	...	62	4	3
				<u>£3,672</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>3</u>
Balance ...	...	...	...	£3,612	0	0

W. F. CLIFTON,  
Manager.

Grahamstown, 24th January, 1870. 19

**O**KARITO Gold Mining and Water-Race Company, Registered, Five Mile Beach, Okarito.— Balance Sheet, 31st December, 1869.

		<i>Liabilities.</i>		£	s.	d.
To unpaid accounts ...	...	...	...	1,078	13	5
„ Union Bank ...	...	...	...	800	0	0
„ excess of Assets ...	...	...	...	3,487	1	11
				<u>£5,365</u>	<u>15</u>	<u>4</u>
		<i>Assets.</i>		£	s.	d.
By value of claim—	...	...	...	£	s.	d.
Machinery, plant, &c. ...	...	...	...	1,652	7	0
Water-race ...	...	...	...	2,050	0	0
Sawmill ...	...	...	...	450	0	0
Balance of capital ...	...	...	...	468	0	0
Accounts due from other companies for timber, water, &c. ...	...	...	...	494	11	9
Cash in hand ...	...	...	...	250	16	7
				<u>£5,365</u>	<u>15</u>	<u>4</u>

CAPITAL ACCOUNT.

		<i>Dr.</i>		£	s.	d.
To paid up capital ...	...	...	...	2,132	0	0
„ balance of capital ...	...	...	...	468	0	0
				<u>£2,600</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>

		<i>Cr.</i>		£	s.	d.
By 2,600 shares of £1 each ...	...	...	...	£2,600	0	0

ALEX. MCWILLIAM,  
Manager.

**T**HE Neptune Gold Mining and Sluicing Company, Registered, Charleston.— Balance Sheet, 31st December, 1869.

		<i>Dr.</i>		£	s.	d.
To calls paid up, 7 shares, £107 each ...	...	...	...	749	0	0
„ rent of water ...	...	...	...	37	10	0
„ gold produced ...	...	...	...	66	15	9
				<u>£853</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>9</u>

		<i>Cr.</i>		£	s.	d.
By cost of plant and race keeping ...	...	...	...	609	15	6
„ wages ...	...	...	...	235	18	6
„ balance in Bank of New Zealand ...	...	...	...	7	11	9
				<u>£853</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>9</u>

		<i>Assets.</i>		£	s.	d.
Estimated value of race, claim, and plant ...	...	...	...	1,000	0	0
Cash in Bank of New Zealand ...	...	...	...	7	11	9
Amount of capital unpaid, 7 shares at £33 ...	...	...	...	231	0	0
				<u>£1,238</u>	<u>11</u>	<u>9</u>

		<i>Liabilities.</i>		£	s.	d.
Debts owing by Company ...	...	...	...	£136	17	8
				JOSEPH MOSS, CHARLES WEITZEL, } Auditors.		
				JOHN W. ROWE, Manager.		

**T**RAFALGAR Gold Mining Company, Registered.— Nominal capital, £12,375. Paid up capital, £9,900.

		<i>Liabilities.</i>		£	s.	d.
To Bank overdraft ...	...	...	...	92	19	9
„ accounts owing ...	...	...	...	78	6	11
„ balance ...	...	...	...	12,212	7	4
				<u>£12,383</u>	<u>14</u>	<u>0</u>
		<i>Assets.</i>		£	s.	d.
By value of mine ...	...	...	...	9,900	0	0
„ uncalled capital ...	...	...	...	2,475	0	0
„ mining tools, &c. ...	...	...	...	8	14	0
				<u>£12,383</u>	<u>14</u>	<u>0</u>
Balance ...	...	...	...	£12,212	7	4

D. B. WALLACE,  
Manager.

Grahamstown, 11th Jan., 1870. 12

**SIERRA Nevada Gold Mining Company, Registered.** Capital £16,000. Paid up, £12,000.

<i>Liabilities.</i>		£	s.	d.
To accounts owing ...	...	44	7	8
Balance ...	...	3,955	12	4
		£4,000	0	0
<i>Assets.</i>		£	s.	d.
By uncalled capital ...	...	4,000	0	0
		£4,000	0	0
Balance ...	...	£3,955	12	4

WM. F. CLIFTON,  
Manager.

Grahamstown, 26th January, 1870. 18

**McDONALD Gold Mining Company, Registered.** —Statements of Assets and Liabilities of the above Company for half-year ending December 31st, 1869. Capital, £16,000, in 8,000 shares of £2 each; £7,500 paid up.

<i>Liabilities.</i>		£	s.	d.
To unpaid accounts ...	...	35	17	1
„ amount due on contracts...	...	18,029	7	10
Balance ...	...	£18,065	4	11
<i>Assets.</i>		£	s.	d.
By amount of unsubscribed capital on shares	7,883	6	8	
„ unpaid calls ...	131	18	3	
„ value of machinery and plant ...	50	0	0	
„ balance in Bank ...	0	0	0	
„ value of mine ...	10,000	0	0	
		£18,065	4	11

C. E. HAUGHTON,  
Manager.

Examined and found correct.  
CHAS. FINDLAY,  
Auditor.

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**CANDLELIGHT (No. 2) Gold Mining Company, Registered.** Capital, £5,000. Paid up, £3,200.

<i>Liabilities.</i>		£	s.	d.
To accounts owing ...	...	27	12	8
„ balance ...	...	738	4	10
		£765	17	6
<i>Assets.</i>		£	s.	d.
By uncalled capital ...	...	750	0	0
„ calls unpaid ...	...	15	17	6
		£765	17	6
Balance ...	...	£738	4	10

D. B. WALLACE,  
Manager.

Grahamstown, 12th January, 1870. 13

**METROPOLITAN Gold Mining Company, Registered.** Capital, £18,500. Paid up, £14,800.

<i>Liabilities.</i>		£	s.	d.
To accounts owing ...	...	99	15	2
„ balance ...	...	3,423	11	2
		£3,523	6	4
<i>Assets.</i>		£	s.	d.
By uncalled capital ...	...	3,422	10	0
„ unpaid calls ...	...	98	12	0
„ cash on hand ...	...	2	4	4
		£3,523	6	4
Balance ...	...	£3,423	11	2

D. B. WALLACE,  
Manager.

Grahamstown, 17th January, 1870. 15

**ASSETS and Liabilities of "The Morning Star Gold Mining Company, Registered."**—Ross, 15th January, 1870.

<i>Dr.</i>		£	s.	d.
To unpaid capital ...	...	2,289	15	0
„ machinery and plant ...	...	3,676	2	7
„ cash in hands of Manager ...	...	10	5	7
		£5,976	3	2
<i>Cr.</i>		£	s.	d.
By liabilities ...	...	297	14	8
„ balance Cr. ...	...	5,678	8	6
		£5,976	3	2

HENRY A. GORDON,  
Manager.

23

**TOTARA and Jones' Creek Amalgamated Water-Race Company, Registered (Ross).**—Half-yearly Statement of Assets and Liabilities. Friday, 24th December, 1869.

<i>Assets.</i>		£	s.	d.
Cost of races, &c., as per last Statement, dated 25th June, 1869 ...	...	13,612	18	4
Improvements and extension during the half-year ...	...	216	14	6
Debts due to the Company (considered good) ...	...	243	15	1
Balance in Bank of New Zealand, and cash in Manager's hands ...	...	18	0	9
		£14,091	8	8
<i>Liabilities.</i>		£	s.	d.
Debts due by the Company, say ...	...	12	0	0
Balance ...	...	14,079	8	8
		£14,091	8	8

CAPITAL ACCOUNT.

Nominal capital ...	£12,800	0	0
Capital paid up in extension, improvement, and purchase of other races ...	£12,800	0	0

CAMILLE MALFROY,  
Manager.

Ross, 24th December, 1869. 20

**BALANCE Sheet of "The Caledonian Water-Race and Gold Mining Company, Registered,"** Hokitika, to 31st December, 1869.

To share capital ...	2,350	0	0	
„ bills payable ...	400	0	0	
„ fees ...	0	2	0	
		£2,750	2	0
By water-race ...	2,225	12	8	
„ charges ...	110	15	2	
„ contracts ...	404	14	11	
„ Bank balance ...	8	19	3	
		£2,750	2	0

WILLIAM PURNELL, Manager.  
G. DALRYMPLE, Secretary.

21

**MOUNTAIN Water-Race Company, Registered.** Statement of Assets and Liabilities for half-year ending 1st January, 1870. Capital £4,000, in ten shares of £400 each, paid up.

<i>Assets.</i>		£	s.	d.
To main race ...	...	2,000	0	0
To reservoir and branch races ...	...	1,200	0	0
To amount due to Company for water, &c. ...	...	209	19	0
To balance at Bank of New South Wales ...	...	9	13	8
To claims and plant ...	...	600	0	0
		£4,019	12	8

*Liabilities.*  
Nil.

SAMUEL TURNER,  
Manager.

St. Bathans, 20th January, 1870. 7

**ASSETS and Liabilities of "The Ross United Steam Drainage Company, Registered."—Ross, 7th January, 1870.**

	Dr.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
To uncalled capital	...	1,800	0	0			
„ arrears on calls	...	694	16	0			
„ cash in Bank	...	866	11	4			
„ cash in hands of Manager	...	19	5	9			
„ interest	...	97	7	0			
					3,478	0	1
„ machinery and plant...	...				6,381	8	5
					£9,859	8	6
	Cr.	£	s.	d.			
By liabilities	...	4,799	13	5			
„ balance Cr.	...	5,059	15	1			
					£9,859	8	6

HENRY A. GORDON,  
Manager.

22

**DISSOLUTION of Partnership.**—Notice is hereby given, that the Partnership Business at New Plymouth and Wanganui of Charles Brown, of New Plymouth, and John Duthie, of Wanganui, under the style or firm of "Brown and Duthie," Ironmongers, was dissolved on the 3rd day of January ultimo, and that the said business will be wound up at New Plymouth by the said Charles Brown, and at Wanganui by the said John Duthie, who are each empowered to give receipts and act in all matters arising out of the closing of the said business on behalf of the late firm.

Dated at New Plymouth, 1st February, 1870.

CHARLES BROWN,  
JOHN DUTHIE.

Witness—W. Halse, Solicitor.

24

**NEW Plymouth Lighter Company, Limited.**—Notice is hereby given, that an Extraordinary General Meeting of "The New Plymouth Lighter Company, Limited," will be held at the registered office of the Company, on the Beach, New Plymouth, on Wednesday, the 23rd day of February, 1870, at the hour of three o'clock p.m., for the purpose of confirming the following Resolution, which was passed unanimously by the shareholders of the Company, for the time being entitled to vote, present at a meeting of the Company held at the registered office of the Company, on the Beach, New Plymouth, on Wednesday, the twenty-sixth day of January, 1870, duly convened for the purpose:—

Resolution—"It is resolved that "The New Plymouth Lighter Company, Limited," shall be wound up voluntarily.

JOHN BLACK,  
Secretary.

25

**NEW Plymouth Lighter Company, Limited.**—Notice is hereby given, that at an Extraordinary General Meeting of "The New Plymouth Lighter Company, Limited," held at the registered office of the Company, on the Beach, New Plymouth, on Wednesday, the twenty-sixth day of January, 1870, at the hour of three o'clock p.m., of which meeting a notice specifying the intention to propose the following Resolution had been duly given, the said Resolution was passed unanimously by such shareholders of the Company, for the time being entitled to vote, as were present in person or by proxy thereat:—

Resolution—"It is resolved that "The New Plymouth Lighter Company, Limited," shall be wound up voluntarily."

JOHN BLACK,  
Secretary.

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**ACTS OF PARLIAMENT.**—The following Acts, passed during the Session of the Assembly, 1869, are now published, and can be procured from the Government Printer. Copies forwarded to any part of the Colony, post free, at the following prices:—

No.	Act.	s.	d.
1.	Imprest Supply	0	6
2.	Treasury Bills	0	6
3.	Enquiry into Wrecks	0	9
4.	Restriction on Marine Re-assurance Removal	0	6
5.	Merchant Shipping Acts Adoption	0	6
6.	Bridges and Ferries Act, 1868, Amendment	0	6
7.	Public Payments without Probate	0	6
8.	Nelson Marriages	0	6
9.	Southland Provincial Debt Acts Amendment	0	6
10.	Auckland Gold Fields Proclamations Validation	0	9
11.	Otago Settlements	0	6
12.	Nelson and Cobden Railway Act Amendment	0	6
13.	Canterbury Waste Lands	0	6
14.	Naval and Military Settlers	0	6
15.	Wellington and Hawke's Bay Public Debt Apportionment Act Extension	0	6
16.	Provincial Elections Act Amendment	0	6
17.	Military Contribution	0	6
18.	Mining Companies Limited Liability Act Amendment	0	9
19.	Railways	0	6
20.	Disturbed Districts	1	0
21.	Intestate Estates Act Amendment	0	6
22.	Otago Hundreds Regulation	0	6
23.	Public Revenues (No. 2)	0	6
24.	Shortland Beach	0	6
25.	Gold Fields Act Amendment	0	6
26.	Native Lands	0	9
27.	Canterbury Temporary Mining Reserves	0	6
28.	Auckland Waste Lands Act, 1867, Amendment	0	6
29.	Otago Waste Lands Act, 1866, Amendment	0	6
30.	Crown Lands (Nelson) Leasing	0	6
31.	Poverty Bay Grants	0	6
32.	New Zealand Cross Endowment	0	6
33.	Commissioners of Crown Lands	0	6
34.	Bailments of Stock and Chattels Registration	0	6
35.	Delivery of Goods and Lien for Freight	0	6
36.	Dangerous Goods	0	9
37.	Building and Land Societies Amendment	0	6
38.	Joint Stock Companies Amendment	0	6
39.	Post Office Savings Banks Amendment	0	6
40.	Timaru and Gladstone Board of Works Act Amendment	0	6
41.	Oamaru Town Reserves Management	0	6
42.	Greyouth Quays	0	6
43.	Westland Public House Ordinance Amendment	0	9
44.	County of Westland Amendment	0	6
45.	Canterbury Rivers Act Amendment	0	6
46.	Provincial Councils Legislation Appeal	0	6
47.	Provincial Acts Validation Act Continuance	0	6
48.	Provincial Audit Act Amendment	0	6
49.	Gold Fields Officers' Salaries	0	6
50.	Oyster Fisheries Act Amendment	0	6
51.	Medical Practitioners' Registration	0	9
52.	Contagious Diseases	1	0
53.	Vagrant Act, 1866, Amendment	0	6
54.	Gaolers and Prisoners	0	6
55.	Justices of the Peace Act Amendment	0	6
56.	Trustees' Powers Delegation	0	9
57.	Arms Act Amendment	0	6
58.	Armed Constabulary Act Amendment	0	6
59.	New Zealand Commissioners	0	6
60.	Government Annuities	1	0
61.	Registration Act Amendment	0	6
62.	Crown Bonds and Securities	0	6
63.	New Zealand Law Society	0	6
64.	Hugo Max Bucholz Naturalization	0	6
65.	Acclimatization Society of Southland Grant	0	6
66.	Botanic Garden	0	6
67.	Public Libraries	0	6
68.	Whiteley Pension	0	6
69.	Walsh and Others Pension	0	6
70.	Stamp Duties Acts Amendment	0	9
71.	Public Revenues	0	6
72.	Public Debts Sinking Funds Act Amendment	0	6
73.	Consolidated Loan Application	0	6
74.	Treasury Bills Regulations Act Amendment	0	6
75.	Treasury Bills, No. 2	0	6
76.	Appropriation	1	0

GEO. DIDSBUY,  
Government Printer.



RETURN of the QUANTITY and VALUE of GOLD EXPORTED from NEW ZEALAND, from 1st APRIL, 1857, to the 31st DECEMBER, 1869.

PORT OF EXPORT.	PRODUCE OF THE GOLD FIELDS IN THE PROVINCE OF	QUARTER ENDED 31ST DECEMBER, 1869.				EXPOR TED PREVIOUS TO THE 30TH SEPTEMBER, 1869.		TOTAL EXPORTED FROM NEW ZEALAND TO THE 31ST DECEMBER, 1869.			
		To Great Britain.	To New South Wales.	To Victoria.	To other Places.	TOTALS.		Quantities.	Value.	Quantities.	Value.
						Quantities.	Value.				
Auckland ...	Auckland ...	Oz. 17,422	Oz. 23,135	Oz. ...	Oz. ...	Oz. 40,557	£ 139,083	Oz. 172,932	£ 547,009	Oz. 213,489	£ 686,092
Picton ...	Marlborough	...	...	...	...	...	...	34,830	134,122	34,830	134,122
Nelson ...	Nelson ...	1,108	2,100	...	...	3,208	12,832	} 849,215	3,348,290	884,336	3,488,774
Westport ...	Ditto ...	...	4,751	11,128	40	15,919	63,676				
Greymouth ...	Ditto ...	...	950	15,044	...	15,994	63,976				
						35,121	140,484				
Greymouth ...	Westland ...	...	1,224	12,472	...	13,696	54,784	} 1,275,016	5,006,364	1,316,325	5,171,600
Hokitika ...	Ditto ...	...	...	25,945	...	25,945	103,780				
Okarita ...	Ditto ...	...	...	1,668	...	1,668	6,672				
						41,309	165,236				
Dunedin ...	Otago ...	180	...	39,230	1,416	40,826	163,304	2,481,235	9,657,590	2,522,061	9,820,894
Invercargill ...	Southland ...	...	...	812	...	812	3,248	} 26,111	103,144	26,928	106,412
Bluff Harbour	Ditto ...	...	...	5	...	5	20				
						817	3,268				
Totals ...	...	18,710	32,160	106,304	1,456	158,630	611,375	4,839,339	18,796,519	4,997,969	19,407,894

Office of the Commissioner of Customs, Wellington, 28th January, 1870.

J. HACKWORTH (for the Secretary of Customs).

RETURN of the QUANTITY and VALUE of GOLD EXPORTED from NEW ZEALAND, for the YEARS ended the 31st DECEMBER, 1868 and 1869.

PORTS.	DURING THE QUARTERS ENDED—				TOTALS FOR YEAR 1869.		TOTALS FOR YEAR 1868.	
	March 31, 1869.	June 30, 1869.	Sept. 30, 1869.	Dec. 31, 1869.	Quantities.	Value.	Quantities.	Value.
Auckland ...	Oz. 41,674	Oz. 29,480	Oz. 20,743	Oz. 40,557	Oz. 132,454	£ 435,687	Oz. 53,611	£ 168,874
Havelock ...	14	...	...	...	14	56	...	...
Picton ...	...	...	500	...	500	2,000	401	1,604
Nelson ...	3,166	2,122	2,287	3,208	10,783	43,132	9,599	38,396
Westport ...	23,209	24,100	20,393	15,919	83,621	334,484	127,376	509,504
Brighton ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	14,340	57,360
Greymouth ...	29,026	20,533	27,628	29,690	106,877	427,508	97,279	389,116
Hokitika ...	32,169	34,273	29,493	25,945	121,880	487,520	156,959	627,836
Okarita ...	1,078	983	1,039	1,668	4,768	19,072	6,222	24,888
Lyttelton ...	20	...	...	...	20	80	38	152
Dunedin ...	35,908	36,041	37,800	40,826	150,575	602,300	163,089	652,356
Invercargill ...	...	1,079	893	812	2,784	11,136	8,548	34,192
Bluff Harbour	...	...	...	5	5	20	12	48
TOTALS, 1869 ...	166,264	148,611	140,776	158,630	614,281	2,362,995	...	...
TOTALS, 1868 ...	160,295	160,172	152,221	164,786	...	...	637,474	2,504,326

Office of the Commissioner of Customs, Wellington, 29th January, 1870.

J. HACKWORTH (for the Secretary of Customs).

# THE NEW ZEALAND GAZETTE.

## ABSTRACT of METEOROLOGICAL OBSERVATIONS, New Zealand, for the Month of DECEMBER, 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	29.994 29.821	.681 ...	65.5 65.4	11.7 ...	24.5 ...	...	...	.501 .497	80 72	2.650 2.310	15 10	179	417, 1st	6.2
AUCKLAND ... .. Same month previous 5 years	30.024 29.852	.718 ...	64.5 66.7	13.2 ...	27.5 ...	153.7 ...	36.6 ...	.500 .473	83 71	6.400 3.211	18 14	244	407, 16th	5.9
TARANAKI ... .. Same month previous 5 years	30.000 29.884	.719 ...	64.5 62.8	16.5 ...	33.8 ...	151.2 ...	43.0 ...	.409 .477	65 73	10.370 3.954	20 10	223*	530, 10th	6.7
NAPIER † ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
WELLINGTON ... .. Same month previous 5 years	30.016 29.836	.753 ...	62.8 60.6	11.8 ...	33.7 ...	123.0 ...	37.0 ...	.464 .371	82 67	6.323 3.427	13 12	164	375, 6th	4.9
NELSON ... .. Same month previous 5 years	29.966 29.838	.775 ...	64.1 61.2	20.4 ...	40.0 ...	160.0 ...	...	.475 .486	77 77	2.630 5.536	11 9	132	334, 17th	6.5
CHRISTCHURCH ... .. Same month previous 5 years	29.971 29.791	.821 ...	62.0 60.3	13.8 ...	43.9 ...	151.7 ...	22.1 ...	.449 .393	81 69	1.709 1.605	9 9	179	467, 19th	6.3
BEALEY † ... .. Same month previous year	29.791 29.637	.597 ...	57.6 49.1	16.5 ...	42.0 ...	140.0 ...	20.7 ...	.344 .281	72 72	6.469 22.267	15 25	75	280, 30th	5.0
HOKITIKA ... .. Same month previous 3 years	29.983 29.866	.715 ...	62.8 57.0	13.2 ...	35.9 ...	101.2 ...	...	.470 .482§	82 90§	10.120 12.848	15 21	203	317, 29th and 31st	6.3
DUNEDIN ... .. Same month previous 5 years	29.979 29.843	.758 ...	59.5 56.0	15.0 ...	40.0 ...	152.0 ...	21.0 ...	.404 .323	80 70	3.320 3.480	8 15	72	190, 18th	5.0
SOUTHLAND ... .. Same month previous 4 years	29.957 29.687	.735 ...	62.4 55.9	25.8 ...	57.0 ...	163.0 ...	21.0 ...	.441 .293	78 66	1.590 3.167	9 11	103	220, 11th	4.7

\* For nineteen days only.

† Return not complete.

‡ Altitude, 2.104 feet.

§ For two years only.

### NOTES.

- Mongonui.*—On the whole, fine weather. Thunder on 7th, 17th, and 18th; prevailing wind N.E.
- Auckland.*—Generally the weather was wet with high winds, although some pleasant weather occurred. On 14th and 15th there was thunder and rain; from 29th to 31st very wet and disagreeable; 1.613 inches of rain recorded on 31st. Prevailing wind N.E. fourteen days. Waterspout reported in Rangitoto Passage.
- Taranaki.*—Very wet weather at this station. Very stormy from S.E. from 1st to 3rd, with heavy rain and thunder on 1st, and on 10th strong wind from N.W. Prevailing wind N.E.
- Wellington.*—Heavy rain during month. On 15th the rain was heavier than it has been for previous sixteen years while it lasted, also the loudest thunder heard; thunder also on 14th and 16th, that on the latter date being very severe, and with most vivid lightning; wind N.W. There were occasional very fine bright days, with light N.W. winds, but usually the weather was very oppressive and threatening. Slight earthquake on 29th, at 3.45 a.m., felt at Wanganui.
- Nelson.*—Fine weather generally with moderate winds. On 7th thunder and lightning with rain, wind N.W.; and on 15th very heavy thunder storm with rain, between 2 and 3 p.m., about same time as that at Wellington on same day. Prevailing wind N.W.
- Christchurch.*—Very seasonable and pleasant weather at this station during the month. On 18th and 19th there were strong N.E. winds, otherwise the wind was moderate. Fourteen days of E. wind.
- Bealey.*—With exception of 16th and 29th, when there was a thunder storm and rain on the former date, and thunder, rain, and a gale from N.W. on latter, the weather was very fine, with an unusually small rainfall; there were seventeen days of N.W. wind.
- Hokitika.*—Close sultry weather generally at this station. Thunder on 15th, 16th, 18th, and 29th; hail on 16th; strong wind on 28th and 29th, with rain from N.W. Prevailing wind N.W.
- Dunedin.*—Very pleasant calm weather during month. Rather heavy rain from 29th to 31st; foggy on morning of 21st. Prevailing wind N.E.
- Southland.*—Very fine, dry, warm month. Thunder on 1st, 12th, 17th, and 25th; very severe on 17th; sharp earthquake shock on 25th, about 5 p.m.; twenty days of S.E. wind.

### GENERAL REMARKS.

The most remarkable feature in the weather for this month was the occurrence of severe electrical storms throughout almost the whole of the Colony towards the middle of the month, with vivid and dangerous lightning. There was also heavy rain at many of the stations at the same period, but no severe gales are reported.

JAMES HECTOR, Inspector.