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G. F. Bowen, Governor. A PROCLAMATION.

WHEREAS by an Act of the General Assembly of New Zealand, intituled "The District Courts Jurisdiction Extension Act, 1866," it is enacted that it shall be lawful for the Governor, by Proclamation published in the New Zealand Gazette, to bring into operation with respect to any District Court, from and after a day to be named in such Proclamation, either the whole of the said Act or such sections thereof as to him shall seem fit :

Now therefore, I, Sir George Ferguson Bowen, the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, in pursuance and exercise of the power and authority vested in me by the said Act, do hereby proclaim and declare that, from and after the tenth day of October instant, the said "District Courts Jurisdiction Extension Act, 1866," shall come into operation with respect to the District Court of Westland North and the District Court of the County of Westland.

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 first day of October, 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 an Act of the General Assembly of New Zealand, intituled "The District Courts Criminal Jurisdiction Extension Act, 1870," it is enacted that the Governor may, by Proclamation, from time to time declare that any District Court shall have cognizance of all felonies and indictable misdemeanours, as specified in the fourth section of the said Act:

Now therefore, I, Sir George Ferguson Bowen, Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, in pursuance and exercise of the power vested in me by the said Act, do hereby proclaim and declare that

The District Court of the County of Westland

shall henceforth have cognizance of all felonies and indictable misdemeanours committed before or after the passing of the said Act within the district over which its jurisdiction extends, saving only the felonies specially excepted in and by the fourth clause of the said Act.

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 tenth day of October, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and seventy.

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Now therefore, I, Sir George Ferguson Bowen, Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, in pursuance and exercise of the power vested in me by the said Act, do hereby proclaim and declare that

The District Court of Westland North

shall henceforth have cognizance of all felonies and [Esq., and of no other persons, in full, in the form indictable misdemeanours committed before or after the passing of the said Act within the district over which its jurisdiction extends, saving only the felonies specially excepted in and by the fourth clause of the said Act.

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 tenth day of October, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and seventy.

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A PROCLAMATION.

WHEREAS by the eleventh section of "The Otago and Southland Union Act, 1870," it is enacted that, notwithstanding the dissolution of the Provincial Council of the Province of Southland, the persons who immediately before the coming into operation of this Act were members of the said Council shall, on a day and at a time and place to be fixed by the Governor by Proclamation in the New Zealand Gazette, assemble, and by lot or by ballot, as and to be taken in such manner as shall be prescribed in and by such Proclamation, select seven of their number, who, with the present Superintendent of the Province of Southland, shall represent in the Provincial Council of the new Province that part of the new Province which immediately before the coming into operation of the said Act was included in the Province of Southland:

Now therefore, I, Sir George Ferguson Bowen, G.C.M.G., in exercise and pursuance of all powers and authorities enabling me in this behalf, do by this Proclamation fix Thursday, the twentieth day of October, one thousand eight hundred and seventy, at eleven o'clock in the forenoon, as the day and time, and the Provincial Council Chamber, Invercargill, as the place, on and at which the persons who immediately before the coming into operation of the said Act were members of the Provincial Council of the late Province of Southland shall assemble as and for the purpose in the hereinbefore recited section of the said Act is provided. And I do by this Proclamation prescribe that the selection by the said persons of seven of their number to represent, with the person who at the time of the passing of the said Act was Superintendent of the late Province of Southland, in the Provincial Council of the new Province of Otago, that part of the said new Province which was within the late Province of Southland, shall be by ballot, to be taken in the manner following, that is to say

1. William Wood, Esq., lately Superintendent of the Province of Southland, shall preside at the taking of and shall take the said ballot at the said meeting.

2. The taking of the said ballot shall commence at eleven o'clock in the forenoon, on the said twentieth day of October, one thousand eight hundred and seventy.

3. The said William Wood, Esq., shall, before the said twentieth day of October, cause to be printed ballot papers, with the Christian or first names and surnames of all the persons who were Members of the Provincial Council of Southland immediately before the coming into operation of the said Act, except the name of William Wood,

following :-

Ballot Paper. A. B. C. D. &c.

Directions.

The voter is to strike out the name of every person for whom he does not intend to vote, by drawing a line through the name with a pen or pencil. must be careful not to leave uncancelled the names of more than seven, or the paper will be invalid. The ballot paper must then be folded so as to conceal all the names of the persons printed on the paper, and the ballot paper must then be put in the ballot box by the voter.

The ballot paper must not be taken out of the room in which the ballot is taken.

The above directions shall be printed on the paper, and shall be complied with and enforced.

4. The ballot shall be taken in the said chamber, and the said chamber shall be so arranged that there shall be in the same an inner compartment, and there shall be provided by the said William Wood therein pencils and pens and ink for the use of the voters.

5. The said William Wood shall also provide a ballot box with an opening therein to receive the ballot papers, and with a lock and key.

6. Before proceeding to take the poll the said William Wood shall exhibit, for inspection of the voters, the ballot box, open and empty, and shall then forthwith take the same, being still empty, and set the same, empty and unopened, on a table in front of him, and in view of the persons present in the said chamber, and so keep the same till the ballot is concluded.

7. There shall be delivered at the said meeting by the said William Wood, to each person entitled to vote, and who shall desire to vote, a ballot paper, and every person to whom a ballot paper shall be delivered shall forthwith retire alone to the said compartment, and shall there alone, and without delay, strike out from such ballot paper the names of the persons for whom he does not intend to vote, and shall forthwith fold up such ballot paper in such manner as will conceal the names of the persons on the ballot paper, and deposit it in the ballot box, in the presence of the said William Wood.

8. Each voter may give one vote to each of the persons qualified to be selected, not exceeding seven in number, and he may vote for himself, if he thinks fit, as one of the seven, and any ballot paper recording more than seven votes shall be rejected at the close of the poll. 9. At twelve of the clock at noon of the said day

the said William Wood shall close the poll, and shall the number of votes given for each person, in view of those present in the chamber, and shall both then and after abstain from inspecting the writing upon the back of the ballot papers, and take care that the same is not seen by any person present, and shall then and there announce the number of votes given to each person, and declare those, not exceeding seven in number, who have received the greatest number of votes to be duly elected Members, and if two or more of such persons shall have received an equal number of votes the said William Wood shall have a casting vote, but he shall not have an original vote, and the names of the persons so declared shall be certified to the Governor by the said William Wood, and be published by the Colonial Secretary in the General Government Gazette.

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