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ORDER IN COUNCIL.

G. F. Bowen, Governor. At the Government Buildings, at Wellington, this second day of December, 1870.

Present:

THE HON. JULIUS VOGEL, COLONIAL TREASURER, PRESIDING, AND MEMBERS OF THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL.

WHEREAS by an Act of the General Assembly VV of New Zealand, intituled "The District Courts Act Amendment Act, 1865," it is enacted that the powers conferred on Judges of District Courts in and by the twenty-fifth, twenty-sixth, and twenty-seventh sections of "The District Courts Act, 1858," shall be exercised only within such districts as shall from time to time be named by the Governor, by Order in Council published in the New Zealand Gazette, as districts within which such powers may be exercised:

Now therefore, His Excellency the Governor, in exercise of the power and authority so vested in him as aforesaid, doth, by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council, name and appoint the district consisting of the Province of Taranaki as a district within which the Judge of the District Court of Taranaki may exercise the powers conferred by the twenty-fifth, twenty-sixth, and twenty-seventh sections of "The District Courts Act, 1858."

Julius Vogel,

Presiding.

FORSTER GORING. Clerk of the Executive Council.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

G. F. Bowen, Governor.

At Wellington, this second day of December, 1870. Present:

THE HON. JULIUS VOGEL, COLONIAL TREASURER, PRESIDING, AND MEMBERS OF THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL.

THEREAS 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 thereinafter 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

JACKSON KEDDELL, Esq.,

to be a Warden of all Wardens' Courts now constituted or hereafter to be constituted within the Gold Fields of the Province of Auckland, 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.

> Julius Vogel, Presiding.

FORSTER GORING. Clerk of the Executive Council.

> Colonial Secretary's Office, Wellington, 7th December, 1870.

is hereby notified that the Secretary to the Central Board of Civil Service Examiners has reported that the under-mentioned candidates have passed their examination under the Civil Service ${f Regulations},\,{
m viz}.:$

GARNER WARD, Wellington; CLAUDE REVANS, junior, Featherston; J. M. TABUTEAU, junior, Napier; EDWARD MARKS, Auckland.

> HENRY SEWELL (in the absence of Mr. Gisborne).

Colonial Secretary's Office,
(Judicial Branch,)
Wellington, 1st December, 1870.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint

HENRY ARROW, Esq.,

to be Clerk at Waipawa of the District Court of Hawke's Bay, and of the Resident Magistrate's Court for the District of Napier and Waipukurau.

W. GISBORNE.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
(Judicial Branch,)
Wellington, 7th December, 1870.

IS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to
accept the resignation by
EDMUND GILLOW, Esq.,

of Westwood, near Riverton, of his appointment as a Justice of the Peace.

HENRY SEWELL (in the absence of Mr. Gisborne).

Colonial Secretary's Office,
(Judicial Branch,)
Wellington, 7th December, 1870.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to
appoint

GEORGE RAYNER, Esq., of Ngaruawahia, and GORDON CHARLES VERNON TISDALL, Esq., of Alexandra, Auckland,

to be Justices of the Peace for the Colony.

HENRY SEWELL

(in the absence of Mr. Gisborne).

Colonial Secretary's Office,
(Judicial Branch,)
Wellington, 7th December, 1870.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to
appoint

JACKSON KEDDELL, Esq., J.P., to be a Resident Magistrate for the Resident Magistrate's District of Hauraki.

W. GISBORNE.

Public Works Office,
Wellington, 2nd December, 1870.

THE following Report from Mr. John Rochfort, on
the proposed Railway Line from Featherston to
the Hutt Valley, is published for general information.

W. GISBORNE.

Wellington, 1st December, 1870. SIR,—I have the honor to report that I have completed the trial line from Featherston to the Hutt Valley, choosing an exit from the bush at Mr. Cruickshank's tunnel, as suggested by Dr. Hector, for reasons which I will refer to presently. Commencing at Featherston the line runs nearly level, working gradually on to the terrace at the rear of Mr. Lucena's house; this part is open, and without any difficulty worth referring to, and is about two and a half miles.

From thence the line will make a slight bend into Mr. Lucena's valley, to preserve the level and continue on to the low downs, on the south side. Crossing them about one mile from Mr. Lucena's, the gradient changes to about 1 in 43 (the clinometer was set at 1 in 40, but a liberal allowance was made on each observation, which might perhaps decrease the grade to 1 in 45), and winds round the next valley, which has two branches, and then creeps around the several branches of Cross's Valley, until it reaches the saddle with the same constant gradient, excepting

the upper parts of the valleys, which are made level to facilitate bridging.

The saddle is distant about eleven miles from Lucena's Valley. There are many gullies which will require bridging at the points of crossing, and also spurs, which will have to be cut back or through to form the curves, with a minimum radius of 5 chains. On the other hand there is very little rock, and many miles of side-cuttings on hills, with easy slopes and natural ballast. Another favourable feature is the large supply of black birch timber all along the line, available for sleepers, bridges, &c.

I estimate the height of the saddle to be 1,230 feet above Abbott's at Featherston, without the cutting, but aneroid observations cannot be relied on to within a few feet. I also ascertained the Pass to be 401 feet below the coach road, or, with the cutting, 431 feet. The saddle is narrow, and slate rock is found a foot below the surface at the spot

where the tents stood on your visit.

Descending the Pakuratahi with the same gradient, the features are somewhat similar to those on the west slope for about a mile down. Here the line crosses another saddle, being part of a spur which divides two branches of the river, obviating the necessity of circumventing a long, rough-looking range. This was fortunately crossed without altering the gradient allowing a small cutting of seven feet. After this the hills have easier slopes, and about half-way down the line winds round a flat valley, having three branches, one of which lies exactly behind the roadmen's houses on the Rimutaka Road, which at this point cannot be more than a mile distant. Thence the line approaches the Pakuratahi River, follows down to its level without any difficulty of importance, and crosses at a favourable point for a bridge, which will be about two chains long. The distance from the saddle is approximately seven miles, and the fall 483 feet. I may here mention that the whole valley is full of wild cattle, and the soil generally is good. In Nelson the settlers are clearing far worse land under the Leasing Act.

From the bridge site the line drops about 32 feet, to the top level of the Mangaroa Hill; but as this height was taken in the river bed, the bridge level will make the two points about equal. The Mangaroa Hill is crossed about a third of a mile to the east of the road, with a cutting of 32 feet. The ground is far better on this side of the river, with gentle slopes and fewer gullies, and chiefly gravel. The line crosses the coach road twice, the first time about a mile from the Golden Fleece Hotel, which may serve as a station for the district. There is a very fine bush flat between the line and the hotel, which will doubtless be rendered productive by its owners when the line is made. The highest point of the Mangaroa Hill is about four miles from the river crossing and is nearly all level

miles from the river crossing, and is nearly all level.

From the Mangaroa Hill the line descends 1 in 55, crossing a valley at a white pine flat. This is the only swampy piece of ground on the line, but it has a hard bottom 2 feet down, and is only 5 chains long, and will drain easily into the creek close by. Once across this swamp, the falling gradient follows the hill side of the main valley; and about two miles from the Mangaroa Hill changes to level, to strike the Kaitoki Hill a mile and a half further on. This hill which starts from the main range, has a low dip, through which I cross; and then rising, continues its course quite to the gorge of the Mangaroa, ending in the bluff high cliffs and terraces on the north side of the gorge of that river. This obstacle required me to cut the line three times, before I could cross in a place which satisfied me that I was making the line as short as possible. No difficulty occurs from the

nature of the ground. Indeed, once across the Pakuratahi River, the gullies become fewer and the hill slopes more gentle, and in many places one might describe them as flats.

From the Kaitoki Hill, lowered by a cutting of 30 feet, it was found necessary to change the gradient again to 1 in 43 for a mile and a quarter; all good easy hills, until the level land of the Mangaroa Valley was reached; thence keeping along the foot of the hills a quarter of a mile level. A straight line two miles long, bearing S. 57° W. magnetic, leads direct to Mr. Cruickshank's tunnel. A large stream with steep banks 30 feet deep is crossed in a good place for a bridge about the centre of the straight line.

Throughout the whole length of this flat, the level scarcely varies, and it is remarkably uniform and unbroken by terraces. The ground is hard gravel all through. The bush looks thin, as all the timber is small except the rimu trees, which are unusually fine, and spotted over the ground at intervals of about a

chain apart.

Immediately before reaching the tunnel, the Mangaroa is crossed with a small bridge of about a chain in length; thence a short cutting, 50 feet in the deepest part, leads into the Hutt Valley, from whence the level flat is reached by a gradient of 1 in 50 nearly opposite the Criterion Hotel. You will remember that, when discussing the best crossing-place of the Range between the Mangaroa and Hutt Rivers, Mr. Cruickshank mentioned a lower part of the hill, near the Horse Shoe Bend. This however, on closer examination, proved to be a mistake, being only the saddle of a spur leading from the main hill, which is itself higher than at the mill; but if it were otherwise, it would be impossible to get at it, on account of the terrace and cliffy character of the lower part of the Mangaroa Valley.

In obedience to Mr. Blackett's recent instructions, I yesterday examined the pass directly at the back of the Criterion Hotel, with a view of finding a lower part of the hill than at Mr. Cruickshank's. Already a tramway exists over it, but it would require almost exactly the same depth of cutting and much longer, and would in addition, being lower down, leave a greater fall to the level land of the Hutt by 50 feet. Other objections are a long spur striking out easterly between the two dips of the range, at the junction of the bush and swamp; which, besides increasing the distance, would bring the line among hills of a softer nature, owing to their proximity to the swamp.

Following down the Hutt, the best place for crossing the river appears to be about the Silver Stream—I think just above, from a marked point of the river land. bank. There appears to be no difficulty beyond, except supplying a station to the Taitai; this might be met by a short road and bridge across the Hutt.

The length of the line from the Criterion Hotel

to Featherston will be from 8 to 11 miles more than the coach road; but it is probable that in coming down the Hutt, the line will gain a mile or two on the road.

I enclose a table of approximate aneroid heights, also a section of the line drawn to a natural scale.

I have, &c., JOHN ROCHFORT.

I have left Mr Lewis in charge, to superintend the clearing out the line, to facilitate the survey--marking the parts only which are open, or likely to be burnt, with the grubbing axe. He has three men.

Altitudes reduced to Dr. Hector's level of Mangaroa Bridge.

54 Abbott's, Featherston. 1687 Rimutaka.

Feet 1256 Rochfort's Pass (with cutting of 30 feet). 1286

286 Do. (without cutting). 686 Golden Fleece Hotel.

773 Line crossing River Pakuratahi (33 feet bridge).

835 Rochfort's line over Mangaroa Hill (without cutting).

805 (with cutting). Do. do.

906 Knob near Mangaroa Hill. 265 Mangaroa Bridge.

603 Kaitoki Range (without cutting).

571 Do. (with cutting). 416 Level of Mangaroa Flat. 405 Level of Mr. Cruickshank's tunnel.

202 Level of tunnel.

The Hon. W. Gisborne, Minister of Public Works.

Office of the Registrar of Joint Stock Companies, Auckland, 21st November, 1870.

JOHN MUIR WAYLAND, Registrar of Joint

19 Stock Companies for the Provinces of Auckland and Hawke's Bay, in the Colony of New Zealand, do hereby notify that I have registered a Memorandum of Association, with Articles of Association, establishing a Company, with limited liability of the shareholders therein, intituled

"The Daily Telegraph Company, Limited."

The objects for which the Company is established are-"The printing and publication of a Newspaper to be called the *Daily Telegraph*, and the doing all such other things as are incidental or conducive to the attainment of the above object, and to the business generally carried on in a Printing Office.'

And that, in pursuance of the provisions of "The Joint Stock Companies Act, 1860," I have issued a Certificate of Incorporation of the said Company, bearing date this twenty-first day of November, 1870.

> JOHN M. WAYLAND, Registrar of Joint Stock Companies.

Office of the Registrar of Joint Stock Companies, Auckland, 22nd November, 1870. JOHN MUIR WAYLAND, Registrar of Joint

Stock Companies for the Provinces of Auckland and Hawke's Bay, in the Colony of New Zealand, do hereby notify that I have registered a Memorandum of Association, with Articles of Association, establishing a Company, with limited liability of the share-holders therein, intituled

"The Auckland Boiling Down Company, Limited." The objects for which the Company is established

"1. The killing, boiling down, and reducing of Sheep and other live Stock in the Province of Auckland, and the extraction of Tallow and other like substances therefrom.

"2. The selling and disposing of such portions of the Sheep and other live Stock so to be killed. boiled down, and reduced as aforesaid, as may not be useful for the purposes of extracting Tallow and other like substances therefrom.

"3. The doing and performing of such other matters, things, and operations as are inci-dental or conducive to the attainment of the above objects."

And that, in pursuance of the provisions of "The Joint Stock Companies Act, 1860," I have issued a Certificate of Incorporation of the said Company, bearing date this twenty-second day of November, 1870.

JOHN M. WAYLAND,

Registrar of Joint Stock Companies.

RETURN of the VALUE of IMPORTS at the several Ports of	f New Zealand,	during the	Quarter ended 30t	h September , 1870.
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J. HACKWORTH (for the Secretary and Inspector of Customs).

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J. HACKWORTH (for Secretary and Inspector of Customs).

RETURN of the QUANTITY and	VALUE of EXPORTS	from New ZEALAND,	during the Quarter	ended 30th SEPTEMBER, 1870.
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RETURN of the QUANTITY and VALUE of EXPORTS from New ZEALAND during the Quarter ended 30th September, 1870—continued.

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J. HACKWORTH (for the Secretary and Inspector).

RETURN of the Number, Tonnage, and Crews of Vessels Entered Inwards at the several Ports of New Zealand, during the Quarter ended the 30th September, 1870.

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J. HACKWORTH (for the Secretary and Inspector of Customs).

RETURN of the Number, Tonnage, and Crews of Vessels Cleared Outwards at the several Ports of New Zealand, during the Quarter ended 30th September, 1870.

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J. HACKWORTH (for the Secretary and Inspector of Customs).

ABSTRACT of Meteorological Observations, New Zealand, for the Month of October, 1870.

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Mongonui Same month previous 5 years	30·188 29·915	•59 7	59·9 58·5	17·5 	30.0	147·0 	41·0 	·308 ·415	60 78	·510 3·698	6 17	160	435, 2nd	50
AUCKLAND Same month previous 6 years	30·182 29·855	·671 	58·1 58·4	15·5 	29.3	154·7 	27·1	·381 ·377	78 76	·401 3·114	10 18	273	580, 19th	5.0
TARANAKI Same month previous 6 years	30·027 29·853	•735 	56·4 55·4	16·9 	35.8	149·0 	20.0	·345 ·361	75 73	2·120 5·971	11 18			6.6
NAPIER Same month previous 3 years	30·065 29·892	·833	58·4 59·3	18·4 	42.0	137·0 	37·0	·365 ·346	75 69	1.670 1.373	6 6	227	413,23rd	20
WELLINGTON Same month previous 6 years	29·937 29·815	•939 	55·4 54·2	12·3	31·5 	115.0	33·0	·343 ·300	78 70	2·855 4·898	10 13	221	530, 1st	4.3
NELSON Same month previous 6 years	30·035 29·877	•740 	54·9 54·7	23·2 	42.0	152·0	29.0	·335 ·360	77 73	1.650 4.351	5 9	211	434,23rd	4.4
CHRISTCHURCH Same month previous 6 years	29·999 29·749	·925	55·0 53·1	18·2	47·3	141.2	17·3	·318	73 71	1·223 2·134	9 11	162	329, 9th	3.3
BRALEY* Same month previous 2 years	29·856 29·724	·799	48·1 45·7	16·2 	32·8 	128.0	12·0	·277 ·232	83 78	8·948 14·749	16 21	193	725,22nd	40
HOKITIKA Same month previous 4 years	30·104 29·830	·917 	52·8 51·4	12·1 	28.0	85.8	34·4 	·378 ·359	95 88	11·300 13·395	17 22	213	463, 4th	7.0
DUNEDIN Same month previous 6 years	29·971 29·791	·925	52·5 50·2	16·8 	40.0	148.0	16·0 	·307 ·260	78 69	·600 2·604	10 17	205	670, 5tl	4.0
SOUTHLAND Same month previous 5 years	29·945 29·642	1·176	51·3 49·9	21.8	46·0 	148.0	23.0	·266 ·254	69 71	2·910 4·040	11 17	314	580,10t4	4.4

^{*} Altitude above sea, 2,104 feet.

-Weather unusually fine; very slight rainfall, and light winds, which prevailed from N.W.

Auckland.—Fine, bright, warm weather; excessively dry; winds moderate, except on 19th and 28th, when it blew hard from S. Prevailing wind from S.W.

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Taranaki.—Pleasant weather; small rainfall; fresh southerly breezes frequently. Strong S.W. gale on 4th; also stormy on 28th from S.E. Prevailing wind from S.W. Slight earthquakes on 3rd and 23rd.

Napier.—Tolerably fine weather, generally calm and close, but pleasant light showers at times. On 22nd and 23rd it blew hard from N.W. Prevailing wind from N.E.

Wellington.—Wet and stormy on 2nd from N.W., beating rain; on 8th, strong N.W. wind; wet unpleasant weather on 12th from S.E.; very stormy on night of 21st from N.W.; strong N.W. wind on night of 25th, and also on 26th; wind changed on night of 26th to S.E., and brought heavy rain and wind; wet and unpleasant also on 27th from same quarter: otherwise the weather during the month was remarkably fine, bright, and warm, with cear sky, and bright mild nights. There were eighteen days of N.W. wind. Slight earthquake shock on 3rd, at 2.15 p.m. Splendid aurora on 24th. Meteor observed on night of 16th; very brilliant.

Nelson.—Generally fine, bright, and warm, with little rain, and winds light. On 3rd it was stormy from S.W.; and on 23rd from N.W. Prevailing wind from S.W. Earthquake on 3rd, at 2.18 p.m.

Christchurch.—On 4th it blew hard from S.W.; heavy N.W. gale on 8th, changing to S.W. and slight rain; also storm from N.W. on 23rd, again changing to S.W. Otherwise weather very fine, bright, and pleasant. Prevailing wind from E.

Bealey.—Wet and unpleasant weather generally at this station, though at times it was bright and pleasant. On 4th strong S.W. wind, with rain, thunder, hail, and snow; on 10th gale from N.W.; also strong N.W. wind on 17th, with rain and thunder; on 21st stormy again from N.W.; heavy rain on 27th from N.W.; snow also on 12th. Prevailing wind from N.W. Brilliant aurora on 24th.

Hokitika.—On 3rd and 4th stormy from S.W., with rain and thunder on 4th; also thunder on 5th; on 11th and 12th strong

Hokitika.—On 3rd and 4th stormy from S.W., with rain and thunder on 4th; also thunder on 5th; on 11th and 12th strong N.E. winds, with heavy rain; on 22nd stormy from S.W., also with rain and fog; very heavy rain on 27th, wind N.; foggy also on 15th and 31st. Very unpleasant wet weather almost throughout the month. Prevailing winds from N. and S.W. Slight earthquake on 2nd at 2.30 p.m.

Dunedin.—Dry clear weather, but very stormy at times. On 5th and 6th strong S.W. and W. winds, with only slight rain; also on 9th and 24th stormy from W., and on 28th from S.W.; thunder on 4th. Prevailing wind from W. Southland.—Exceedingly fine weather, very dry, frequent strong winds from W. and N.W., but no heavy gales except on the 10th, when it blew hard from N.W. with rains. Prevailing wind from W. Autora on 24th, 25th, and 26th.

GENERAL REMARKS.

Season all over the Colony much drier than usual, but in the Northern Provinces amounting to a positive drought.

JAMES HECTOR, Inspector.