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Executive Council Chamber,
Wellington, 24th October, 1872.

HIS Excellency the Governor has this day been pleased to appoint

The Honorable **GEORGE MAURICE O'ROKKE** to be a Member of the Executive Council, and His Excellency directs it to be notified that that gentleman has taken the necessary oath.

By command.

FORSTER GORING,
Clerk of the Executive Council.

Executive Council Chamber,
Wellington, 26th October, 1872.

HIS Excellency the Governor has this day been pleased to appoint

The Honorable **WILLIAM HUNTER REYNOLDS** to be a Member of the Executive Council, and His Excellency directs it to be notified that that gentleman has taken the necessary oath.

By command.

FORSTER GORING,
Clerk of the Executive Council.

Private Secretary's Office,
Wellington, 26th October, 1872.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to make the following appointment, dating from the 24th instant, viz. :—

The Honorable **GEORGE MAURICE O'ROKKE** to be Secretary for Crown Lands and Minister for Immigration.

By command.

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

Private Secretary's Office,
Wellington, 26th October, 1872.

HIS Excellency the Governor having accepted the resignation by

The Honorable **JOHN BATHGATE**

of the office of Commissioner of Customs, His Excellency has this day been pleased to appoint

The Honorable **WILLIAM HUNTER REYNOLDS** to that office.

By command.

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

Private Secretary's Office,
Wellington, 29th October, 1872.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to make the following appointment, viz. :—

The Honorable **JOHN BATHGATE** to be Minister of Justice and Commissioner of Stamps.

By command.

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

Private Secretary's Office,
Wellington, 29th October, 1872.

HIS Excellency the Governor having accepted the resignation by

The Honorable **JOHN DAVIES ORMOND** of his office as Minister for Public Works, His Excellency has this day been pleased to appoint

The Honorable **EDWARD RICHARDSON** to that office.

By command.

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

Government Buildings,
Wellington, 26th October, 1872.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint

The Honorable **GEORGE MAURICE O'ROKKE** to be a Land Claims Commissioner, under "The Land Claims Settlement Act, 1856," and "The Land Claims Settlement Extension Act, 1858."

G. M. WATERHOUSE.

ERRATA.—In *Gazette* No. 40, of the 12th August, 1872, page 653, in the times and places notified for Public Vaccination at Dunedin, for "every Wednesday and Friday," read "every Tuesday and Friday." Also, in No. 43, dated 5th August, 1871, page 388,—appointment of Captain Morrow and Lieutenant Phillips, No. 4 Company, Auckland Rifle Volunteers,—for "4th April, 1871," read "4th May, 1871."

G. F. BOWEN, Governor.

IN pursuance and exercise of the power in this behalf enabling me, I, Sir George Ferguson Bowen, the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, do hereby revoke the warrant bearing date the thirtieth day of September last, and do hereby fix and appoint that sittings of the District Courts of the County of Westland and Westland North, respectively, for the despatch of Civil and Criminal Business, shall be held as follows:—

In the Resident Magistrate's Court at Ahaura, in the District Court District of the County of Westland, on the second day of the months of November, January, March, May, July, and September, respectively.

In the Resident Magistrate's Court House at Reefton, in the District Court District of Westland North, on the fifth day of the months of November, January, March, May, July, and September, respectively.

Provided that in case any of the days so fixed as aforesaid shall happen to be a Sunday or holiday, then the Court appointed for that day shall be holden on the first day thereafter, not being Sunday or a holiday.

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

JOHN HALL.

G. F. BOWEN, Governor.

BY virtue and in pursuance of the power and authority vested in me by "The County of Westland Act, 1868," and of every power and authority in this behalf enabling me, I, Sir George Ferguson Bowen, the Governor of New Zealand, do hereby abolish all existing Polling Places for the Electoral Districts described in the Fourth Schedule to the said Act, and do hereby appoint the following Polling Places for the Electoral Districts respectively hereinafter named, being the districts described in the said Fourth Schedule to the said Act, in lieu thereof; that is to say—

Hokitika District.

Resident Magistrate's Court House, Hokitika.

Greymouth District.

Resident Magistrate's Court House, Greymouth.

Paroa District.

Road Board Office, Paroa (Principal Polling Place).
Hamilton's Machine Store, Marsden.
Court House, Arnold.
Court House, Pounamu.
Court House, Clifton.
Hamilton's Store, German Gully.

Arahura District.

Court House, Stafford (Principal Polling Place).
Court House, Goldsbrough.
W. Keech's Store, Foot of Chesterfield Track.
R. Thompson's Store, Callaghan's.
J. Merritt's Cottage, Fox's.
Otto Hansen's Store, German Gully.

Kanieri District.

Warden's Court, Kanieri (Principal Polling Place).
Milner's Bakery, Big Paddock.
Gemmell's Old Store, Blue Spur.

Small's Store, Woodstock.

McBeth's Post Office Store, Upper Crossing, Arahura.

Totara District.

Court House, Ross (Principal Polling Place).
William Searle's House, Donoghue's.
School House, Bowen.
Daddo's Hutt, McKenzie's Creek.

Okarito District.

Court House, Okarito (Principal Polling Place).
House near McGoldrick's Hotel, Saltwater.
Booth near Canavan's Store, Five-Mile Beach.
Booth near Matheson's Store, Gillespie's.
Kemper's House, Hunt's Beach.

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 the Government House, at Wellington, this twenty-sixth day of October, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and seventy-two.

JOHN HALL.

G. F. BOWEN, Governor.

IN exercise of the power in me for this purpose vested by "The Customs Regulation Act, 1858," I, Sir George Ferguson Bowen, the Governor of New Zealand, do hereby declare and appoint that, on and from the day of the date hereof, the Dunedin and Port Chalmers Railway Pier and Wharf at Port Chalmers shall be deemed and taken to be a Legal Quay or Landing Place at the Port of Dunedin for the lading and unlading of goods, under "The Customs Regulation Act, 1858."

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 the Government House, at Wellington, this twenty-second day of October, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and seventy-two.

JOHN BATHGATE.

Governor's Order No. 103.]

G. F. BOWEN, Governor.

WHEREAS on the twenty-eighth day of August, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-one, in pursuance of the powers vested in the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand by "The Westland Waste Lands Act, 1870," certain days were appointed to be the days on which the Waste Lands Board of the County of Westland should sit at the principal Land Office of the said County, in the Town of Hokitika:

And whereas by the said recited Act it is, among other things, enacted that the principal Land Office of the said County shall be kept at the Town of Hokitika, and the Waste Lands Board shall sit there, and at certain stated times to be determined from

CHAPTER 39.

An Act for amending the Law in certain cases in relation to Naturalization. [25th July, 1872.]

WHEREAS by a Convention between Her Majesty and the United States of America, supplementary to the Convention of the thirteenth day of May, one thousand eight hundred and seventy, respecting naturalization, and signed at Washington on the twenty-third day of February, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-one, and a copy of which is contained in the Schedule to this Act, provision is made in relation to the renunciation by the citizens and subjects therein mentioned of naturalization or nationality in the presence of the officers therein mentioned:

And whereas doubts are entertained whether such provisions are altogether in accordance with "The Naturalization Act, 1870:" And whereas other doubts have arisen with respect to the effect of "The Naturalization Act, 1870," on the rights of women married before the passing of that Act; and it is expedient to remove such doubts:

Be it enacted by the Queen's Most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:—

1. This Act may be cited for all purposes as "The Naturalization Act, 1872;" and this Act and "The Naturalization Act, 1870," may be cited together as "The Naturalization Acts, 1870 and 1872."

2. Any renunciation of naturalization or of nationality, made in manner provided by the said supplementary Convention by the persons and under the circumstances in the said Convention in that behalf mentioned, shall be valid to all intents, and shall be deemed to be authorized by the said "Naturalization Act, 1870." This section shall be deemed to take effect from the date at which the said supplementary Convention took effect.

3. Nothing contained in "The Naturalization Act, 1870," shall deprive any married woman of any estate or interest in real or personal property to which she may have become entitled previously to the passing of that Act, or affect such estate or interest to her prejudice.

SCHEDULE.

CONVENTION between Her Majesty and the United States of America, supplementary to the Convention of 13th May, 1870, respecting Naturalization.

Signed at Washington, 23rd February, 1871.

(Ratifications exchanged at Washington, 4th May, 1871.)

WHEREAS by the second article of the Convention between Her Majesty the Queen of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland and the United States of America for regulating the citizenship of subjects and citizens of the contracting parties who have emigrated or may emigrate from the dominions of the one to those of the other party, signed at London, on the 13th of May, 1870, it was stipulated that the manner in which the renunciation by such subjects and citizens of their naturalization, and the resumption of their native allegiance, may be made and publicly declared, should be agreed upon by the Governments of the respective countries: Her Majesty the Queen of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland and the President of the United States of America, for the purpose of effecting such agreement, have resolved to conclude a supplemental Convention, and have named as their

time to time by the Governor as therein mentioned, and shall also sit for special purposes at such places and at such times as the Governor shall from time to time direct:

And whereas it is expedient to appoint a special day for the sitting of the said Board:

Now therefore, I, Sir George Ferguson Bowen, the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, in exercise of the power and authority vested in me in that behalf by "The Westland Waste Lands Act, 1870," do hereby fix and determine that a special sitting of the Waste Lands Board for the County of Westland shall be held at the Warden's Court, in the Town of Kanieri, on the second day of December next ensuing, at the hour of noon, for the purpose of the sale of the surveyed sections of the Town of Kanieri.

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 the Government House, at Wellington, this twenty-eighth day of October, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and seventy-two.

G. MAURICE O'RORKE.

G. F. BOWEN, Governor.

IN pursuance of the power vested in me in this behalf by "The Westland Waste Lands Act, 1870," I, the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, do hereby appoint

WILLIAM S. SMITH, Esq.,

to be a Commissioner of the Waste Lands Board of the County of Westland; to hold the office during my pleasure.

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 the Government House, at Wellington, this fourth day of October, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-two.

WILLIAM FITZHERBERT.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Wellington, 28th October, 1872.

THE following Despatch, with Enclosure, from the Right Honorable the Secretary of State for the Colonies, is published for general information.

JOHN HALL.

CIRCULAR.

Downing Street, 5th August, 1872.

SIR,—With reference to my Circular Despatch, dated 27th August, 1870, transmitting a copy of an Order in Council declaring the making of a Convention with the United States of America under "The Naturalization Act, 1870," I now enclose, for your information and guidance, a copy of an Act recently passed for the removal of certain doubts which have arisen with respect to some of the provisions of the Act of 1870.

I have, &c.,
KIMBERLEY.

The Officer Administering
the Government of New Zealand.

Plenipotentiaries, that is to say; Her Majesty the Queen of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, Sir Edward Thornton, Knight Commander of the Most Honorable Order of the Bath, and Her Envoy Extraordinary and Minister Plenipotentiary to the United States of America; and the President of the United States of America, Hamilton Fish, Secretary of State; who have agreed as follows:

ARTICLE I.

Any person being originally a citizen of the United States, who had, previously to May 13, 1870, been naturalized as a British subject, may at any time before August 10, 1872, and any British subject who, at the date first aforesaid, had been naturalized as a citizen within the United States, may at any time before May 12, 1872, publicly declare his renunciation of such naturalization by subscribing an instrument in writing, substantially in the form hereunto appended, and designated as Annex A.

Such renunciation, by an original citizen of the United States, of British nationality, shall within the territories and jurisdiction of the United States be made in duplicate, in the presence of any Court authorized by law for the time being to admit aliens to naturalization, or before the clerk or prothonotary of any such Court; if the declarant be beyond the territories of the United States, it shall be made in duplicate, before any diplomatic or consular officer of the United States. One of such duplicates shall remain of record in the custody of the Court or officer in whose presence it was made; the other shall be, without delay, transmitted to the department of State.

Such renunciation, if declared by an original British subject, of his acquired nationality as a citizen of the United States, shall, if the declarant be in the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, be made in duplicate, in the presence of a Justice of the Peace; if elsewhere in Her Britannic Majesty's dominions, in triplicate, in the presence of any Judge of civil or criminal jurisdiction, of any Justice of the Peace, or of any other officer for the time being authorized by law, in the place in which the declarant is, to administer an oath for any judicial or other legal purpose; if out of Her Majesty's dominions, in triplicate, in the presence of any officer in the diplomatic or consular service of Her Majesty.

ARTICLE II.

The contracting parties hereby engage to communicate each to the other, from time to time, lists of the persons who, within their respective dominions and territories, or before their diplomatic and consular officers, have declared their renunciation of naturalization, with the dates and places of making such declarations, and such information as to the abode of the declarants, and the times and places of their naturalization as they may have furnished.

ARTICLE III.

The present Convention shall be ratified by Her Britannic Majesty, and by the President of the United States by and with the advice and consent of the Senate thereof, and the ratifications shall be exchanged at Washington as soon as may be convenient.

In witness whereof, the respective Plenipotentiaries have signed the same, and have affixed thereto their respective seals.

Done at Washington, the twenty-third day of February, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and seventy-one.

(L.S.) EDWD. THORNTON.
(L.S.) HAMILTON FISH.

ANNEX (A.)

I, A.B., of [Insert abode], being originally a citizen of the United States of America [or a British subject], and having become naturalized within the dominions of Her Britannic Majesty as a British subject [or as a citizen within the United States of America], do hereby renounce my naturalization as a British subject [or citizen of the United States], and declare that it is my desire to resume my nationality as a citizen of the United States [or British subject].

(Signed) A.B.

Made and subscribed before me in [Insert country or other subdivision, and State, Province, Colony, Legation, or Consulate], this day of , 187 .

(Signed) E.F.

Justice of the Peace [or other title].

(L.S.) EDWD. THORNTON.
(L.S.) HAMILTON FISH.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Wellington, 28th October, 1872.

THE following letter from the Agent-General in London, with Enclosures from the Official Liquidators of the European Assurance Society, is published for general information.

JOHN HALL.

7, Westminster Chambers, Victoria Street,
Westminster, S.W., 19th August, 1872.

SIR,—I have the honor to transmit herewith copy of letter from the Official Liquidators of the European Assurance Society, with the notices therein referred to, to which I beg you will give such publication as may seem desirable.

I have, &c.,

I. E. FEATHERSTON,
Agent-General.

The Hon. the Colonial Secretary,
Wellington, New Zealand.

(Enclosures.)

European Assurance Society Arbitration,
3, Westminster Chambers, Victoria Street,
London, S.W., 9th August, 1872.

SIR,—Having reasons to believe that many claimants under the liquidation of this Society are scattered throughout the different Colonies of Australia and New Zealand, we beg to enclose you copies in duplicate of the various notices calling upon parties to send in their claims, which it is desired to insert in the various Government Gazettes, in addition to some of the local newspapers with which we intend to communicate direct.

We think it would be a great public benefit if, within the scope of your duties, you would be so good as to transmit the documents direct to your Government for insertion in their Gazette, and request them to call public attention to them in such a way as may insure their attracting the notice of claimants, many of whom, it is feared, are in an humble position of life.

We have, &c.,

S. LOWELL PRICE,

JNO. YOUNG,

Joint Official Liquidator.

I. E. Featherston, Esq.,
Agent-General for the Colony of New Zealand,
7, Westminster Chambers, S.W.

EUROPEAN ASSURANCE SOCIETY ARBITRATION.

(NOTICE TO HOLDERS OF ANNUITY, ENDOWMENT, AND OTHER CONTRACTS, RESIDENT IN NEW ZEALAND.)

In the matter of "The European Assurance Society Arbitration Act, 1872."

ALL holders of Annuity Contracts, Endowment Contracts, or other contracts of a like nature (if any) issued by any Company named in the Schedule hereto, who have not already produced, for the purposes of the liquidation of the European Assurance Society, the original contracts held by them, are hereby required to deliver to us, not later than the expiration of six months from the date hereof, those original contracts, in order that the same may be examined, and that the direction of the Arbitrator appointed by the above-mentioned Act may be taken thereon.

All communications relative to this notice are to be by prepaid post letter addressed to us here.

Dated this fifth day of August, 1872.

By order of the Arbitrator.

THOMAS PRESTON,
Assistant Secretary.

S. LOWELL PRICE,
JNO. YOUNG,

Joint Official Liquidator of such of the Scheduled Companies as are in Liquidation.

European Assurance Society Arbitration Office,
3, Westminster Chambers, Victoria Street,
Westminster, London, S.W.

THE SCHEDULE ABOVE REFERRED TO.

European Assurance Society.
Athenæum Life Assurance Society.
British Nation Fire Insurance Company, Limited.
British Nation Life Assurance Association.
European Life Assurance and Annuity Company.
India and London Life Assurance Company.
Industrial and General Life Assurance and Deposit Company.
Prince of Wales Life and Education Insurance Company.
Professional Life Assurance Company.
Royal Naval, Military, and East India Company Life Assurance Society.
United Guarantee and Life Assurance Company.
United Mutual Mining and General Life Assurance Company.
United Service and General Life Insurance and Guarantee Association.
Alexandra Insurance Company, Limited.
British Commercial Assurance Company.
British Provident Life and Fire Assurance Company.
English and Irish Church and University Assurance Society.
English Widows' Fund and General Life Assurance Association.
General Accident and Compensation Assurance Company.
London Equitable Mutual Life Insurance Society
London and Provincial Provident Society.
Phoenix Life Assurance Company.
Waterloo Life, Education, Casualty, and Self-Relief Assurance Company.
Wellington Reversionary Annuity and Life Assurance Society.
Anglo-Australian and Universal Family Life Assurance Company.
Diadem Life Assurance Company.
Householders' Life Assurance Company.
Engineers, Masonic, and Universal Mutual Life Assurance Society.

English and Cambrian Assurance Society.
General Indemnity Life and Fire Insurance Company.
Commercial and General Life Assurance Annuity Family Endowment and Loan Association.
British Shield Mutual Life Assurance Institution.
Catholic, Law, and General Life Assurance Company.
Magnet Life Assurance Company.
Life Assurance Treasury.
National Assurance and Investment Association.
London and Yorkshire Assurance Company.
Accumulative Life Fund and General Assurance Company.
Tontine Life Assurance Company.
Age Assurance Company.

(NOTICE TO POLICY HOLDERS RESIDENT IN NEW ZEALAND.)

In the matter of "The European Assurance Society Arbitration Act, 1872."

ALL holders of or persons claiming to be entitled to Policies of Assurance issued by any Company named in the Schedule hereto are hereby required to take notice, that if any person claims to prove on a Policy against any Company named in the Schedule other than the European Assurance Society, and desires to assert that claim, he must send to us, not later than the expiration of six months from the date hereof, a notice to that effect, stating his name, address, and description, the full particulars of his claim, and the special grounds on which he so claims.

All communications relative to this notice are to be by prepaid post letter addressed to us here.

Dated this fifth day of August, 1872.

By order of the Arbitrator.

S. LOWELL PRICE,
JNO. YOUNG,

Joint Official Liquidator of such of the Scheduled Companies as are in Liquidation.

THOMAS PRESTON,
Assistant Secretary.

European Assurance Society Arbitration Office,
3, Westminster Chambers, Victoria Street,
Westminster, London, S.W.

THE SCHEDULE ABOVE REFERRED TO.

European Assurance Society.
Athenæum Life Assurance Society.
British Nation Fire Insurance Company, Limited.
British Nation Life Assurance Association.
European Life Assurance and Annuity Company.
India and London Life Assurance Company.
Industrial and General Life Assurance and Deposit Company.
Prince of Wales Life and Education Insurance Company.
Professional Life Assurance Company.
Royal Naval, Military, and East India Company Life Assurance Society.
United Guarantee and Life Assurance Company.
United Mutual Mining and General Life Assurance Company.
United Service and General Life Assurance and Guarantee Association.
Alexandra Insurance Company, Limited.
British Commercial Insurance Company.
British Provident Life and Fire Assurance Company.
English and Irish Church and University Assurance Society.
English Widows' Fund and General Life Assurance Association.
General Accident and Compensation Assurance Company.

London Equitable Mutual Life Insurance Society.
 London and Provincial Provident Society.
 Phoenix Life Assurance Company.
 Waterloo Life, Education, Casualty, and Self-Relief Assurance Company.
 Wellington Reversionary Annuity and Life Assurance Society.
 Anglo-Australian and Universal Family Life Assurance Company.
 Diadem Life Assurance Company.
 Householders' Life Assurance Company.
 Engineers, Masonic, and Universal Mutual Life Assurance Society.
 English and Cambrian Assurance Society.
 General Indemnity Life and Fire Insurance Company.
 Commercial and General Life Assurance Annuity Family Endowment and Loan Association.
 British Shield Mutual Life Assurance Institution.
 Catholic, Law, and General Life Assurance Company.
 Magnet Life Assurance Company.
 Life Assurance Treasury.
 National Assurance and Investment Association.
 London and Yorkshire Assurance Company.
 Accumulative Life Fund and General Assurance Company.
 Tontine Life Assurance Company.
 Age Assurance Company.

(NOTICE TO GENERAL CREDITORS RESIDENT IN NEW ZEALAND.)

In the matter of "The European Assurance Society Arbitration Act, 1872."

ALL persons (except as hereinafter excepted) having any claim against any of the Companies named in the Schedule hereto, are hereby required to send to us, not later than the expiration of six months from the date hereof, their names, addresses, and descriptions, the full particulars of their claims, and a statement of the nature of the securities (if any) held by them.

The following are the persons above referred to as excepted (who are not required under this notice to send in claims), namely, all persons who have claims in respect of Policies of Assurance, Annuity Contracts, Endowment Contracts, or other contracts of a like nature (if any), or who have already made their claims in the Court of Chancery.

All claims against the scheduled Companies are comprised in the reference to the Arbitrator, and any not made in due time will be barred by his award.

Communications relative to this notice are to be by prepaid post letter addressed to us here.

Dated this fifth day of August, 1872.

By order of the Arbitrator.

S. LOWELL PRICE, }
 Jno. YOUNG, }
 Joint Official Liquidator of such of the Scheduled Companies as are in Liquidation.

THOMAS PRESTON,
 Assistant Secretary.

European Assurance Society Arbitration Office,
 3, Westminster Chambers, Victoria Street,
 Westminster, London, S.W.

THE SCHEDULE ABOVE REFERRED TO.

European Assurance Society.
 Athenæum Life Assurance Society.
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 India and London Life Assurance Company.
 Industrial and General Life Assurance and Deposit Company.

Prince of Wales Life and Education Insurance Company.
 Professional Life Assurance Company.
 Royal Naval, Military, and East India Company Life Assurance Society.
 United Guarantee and Life Assurance Company.
 United Mutual Mining and General Life Assurance Company.
 United Service and General Life Assurance and Guarantee Association.
 Alexandra Insurance Company, Limited.
 British Commercial Insurance Company.
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 National Assurance and Investment Association.
 London and Yorkshire Assurance Company.
 Accumulative Life Fund and General Assurance Company.
 Tontine Life Assurance Company.
 Age Assurance Company.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
 Wellington, 18th October, 1872.

THE following Letter, the enclosures to which have not yet been received, is published for general information.

JOHN HALL.

Sydney, New South Wales,
 18th September, 1872.

SIR,— I am directed by Standing Committee of the Agricultural Society of New South Wales to inform you that the Council have decided upon holding the Metropolitan Intercolonial Exhibition, under the auspices of the Society, in Sydney, on the 22nd April, 1873.

This being the Triennial Exhibition, it will, like that of 1870, be based on a much larger scale than the yearly Shows of the Society.

The Council intend to divide the Exhibition Building into separate courts, and allot one to each of the Colonies who apply for space.

I have by this post forwarded to you Prize Schedules and Plans of the Exhibition Grounds and Buildings, and am requested to ask you to appoint a Commission to see that the products of your Colony have a fair representation.

I am further instructed to state that I shall be prepared to afford your Department, or such Commission as you may nominate, all or any information relating to the matter they may deem necessary in furtherance of the object.

I have, &c.,
JULES JOUBERT,
Secretary.

To the Hon. the Colonial Secretary
of New Zealand.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Wellington, 29th October, 1872.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint

CHARLES EDWARD HAUGHTON, Esq.,
to be Under Secretary for Crown Lands and Immigration.

JOHN HALL.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Wellington, 29th October, 1872.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint

LOWTHER BROAD, Esq.,
to be Returning Officer for the election of Members of the Provincial Council of the Province of Nelson for the District of Motueka, in the room of Alexander Le Grand Campbell, Esq., resigned.

JOHN HALL.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Wellington, 21st October, 1872.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint

HENRY WIRGMAN ROBINSON, Esq.,
to be Deputy of the Registrar of Marriages, and of Births, Deaths and Marriages, for the District of Hamilton, as the same is defined in Proclamation of 11th day of January, 1871, and published in *New Zealand Gazette*, No. 2, of 12th day of January, 1871.

JOHN HALL.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Wellington, 29th October, 1872.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint

J. P. ALLARDYCE
to be Cattle Sub-Inspector for the District of Westland, under "The Diseased Cattle Act, 1871."

JOHN HALL.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Wellington, 28th October, 1872.

THE following Bill, passed by the Provincial Council and assented to by the Superintendent of the Province of Wellington, intituled

"The Wellington Education Act Amendment Act, 1872,"

having been laid before the Governor, His Excellency has not been advised to exercise his power of disallowance with respect to it.

JOHN HALL.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
(Judicial Branch),
Wellington, 21st October, 1872.

WHEREAS on or about the night of the 19th August, 1872, some evil-disposed person or persons bored holes in the barge "Mystery," then lying near the Breakwater in Port Lyttelton, which caused the said barge to sink.

Notice is hereby given, that a Reward of One Hundred Pounds will be paid to any person who will give such information as will lead to the conviction of the person or persons by whom the holes were bored in the aforesaid barge "Mystery;" and

Notice is hereby further given, that His Excellency the Governor will grant a free pardon to any person implicated, not being the principal offender, who will give the required information.

JOHN HALL.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
(Judicial Branch),

Wellington, 19th October, 1872.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint

HENRY SMITH FISH, junr., Esq.,
of Dunedin, to be a Justice of the Peace for the Colony.

JOHN HALL.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
(Judicial Branch),

Wellington, 28th October, 1872.

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

HUGH FALCONER ANDERSON, Esq., and
THOMAS RITCHIE, Esq.,
of Auckland, and

HENRY LYON, Esq.,
of Riverton, Otago, of their appointments as Justices of the Peace for the Colony.

JOHN HALL.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Wellington, 28th October, 1872.

THE following List of Deserters from H.M.S. "Dido" is published at the request of Captain Chapman, R.N.

JOHN HALL.

Description of Deserters from H.M.S. "Dido."

Thomas Jenkins—Date of desertion, 21st August, 1872; rating, boy; exact date of birth, 1st May, 1855; where born, England; height, 5 feet 5 inches; hair, dark brown; eyes, blue.

Richard Langley—Date of desertion, 4th October, 1872; rating, A.B.; exact date of birth, 7th March, 1844; where born, Hants; height, 5 feet 4 inches; hair, dark; eyes, dark; all marks on person, shaved.

Stephen Bray—Date of desertion, 4th October, 1872; rating, A.B.; exact date of birth, 20th November, 1853; where born, London; height, 5 feet 7 inches; hair, sandy; eyes, blue; all marks on person, no whiskers.

Arthur Allen—Date of desertion, 4th October, 1872; rating, boy; exact date of birth, 24th July, 1854; where born, Woolwich; height, 5 feet 7 inches; hair, light brown; eyes, gray; all marks on person, deep-sunk eyes, long legs, rolls in walking.

A Reward of Three Pounds will be given for the apprehension of each of the above-named Deserters.

W. C. CHAPMAN,
Captain.

Colonial Defence Office,
Wellington, 28th October, 1872.

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

In the New Zealand Militia.

Ensign Louis Von Rotter to be Lieutenant. Date of commission, 3rd October, 1872.

In the Hawke's Bay Yeomanry Cavalry Volunteers.
William Burnett to be Sub-Lieutenant. Date of commission, 24th April, 1872.

In the Poverty Bay Mounted Rifle Volunteers.
Adolphus Frederick Hardy to be Captain. Date of commission, 31st March, 1872.
Arthur Kempthorne to be Lieutenant. Date of commission, 31st March, 1872.
Matthew Hall to be Sub-Lieutenant. Date of commission, 31st March, 1872.

In the No. 2 Company, Hauraki Rifle Volunteers.
Ensign William Crick to be Lieutenant. Date of commission, 12th September, 1872.

In the Gisborne Rifle Volunteers.
George John Winter to be Captain. Date of commission, 31st January, 1872.
William Daly to be Lieutenant. Date of commission, 31st January, 1872.

In the Wellington Highland Rifle Volunteers.
Thomas Frederick Lennox to be Lieutenant. Date of commission, 16th May, 1872.
Charles McKirdy to be Sub-Lieutenant. Date of commission, 16th May, 1872.

In the North Dunedin Rifle Volunteers.
Frank Pell to be Sub-Lieutenant. Date of commission, 14th August, 1872.

In the Thames Naval Volunteers.
Sub-Lieutenant Albert Bruce to be Lieutenant. Date of commission, 12th September, 1872.

In the Wellington Rifle Volunteer Cadet Corps.
Mark Maxton to be Honorary Lieutenant. Date of commission, 29th April, 1872.
George Godber to be Honorary Sub-Lieutenant. Date of commission, 29th April, 1872.

DONALD McLEAN.

Colonial Defence Office,
Wellington, 28th October, 1872.
HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to accept the resignation of the commissions held by the under-mentioned officers, viz. :—

Lieutenant G. W. Bazley, Thames Naval Volunteers.
Honorary Lieutenant T. W. Anderson, Timaru Artillery Volunteer Cadet Corps.

DONALD McLEAN.

Customs Department (Marine Branch),
Wellington, 25th October, 1872.
HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint

WILLIAM HARPER

to be Deputy Harbour Master for the Port of Wai-kouaiti.

JOHN BATHGATE.

CUSTOMS.—In exercise of the powers in me for this purpose vested by "The Customs Regulation Act Amendment Act, 1868," I, the Commissioner of Customs, do hereby approve and appoint the under-mentioned Warehouses, viz. :—

Port of Wellington.

A wooden building situate on the outer T of the Queen's Wharf and

MARKED B.,

and a wooden building situate on the outer T of the Queen's Wharf and

MARKED C.,

to be Warehouses where Goods may be deposited for Examination on the Landing thereof.

Given under my hand, at Wellington, this twenty-fourth day of October, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-two.

JOHN BATHGATE,
Commissioner of Customs.

Commissioner's Order, No. 58.]

CUSTOMS.—In pursuance of the powers in me for this purpose vested by "The Customs Regulation Act, 1858," I, the Commissioner of Customs, do hereby change the name of the under-mentioned Warehouse, viz. :—

Port of Greymouth.

The building situate in Albert Street, and heretofore known as

McFARLAND'S BOND,

to

GLENN'S BOND.

Given under my hand, at Wellington, this twenty-fourth day of October, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-two.

JOHN BATHGATE,
Commissioner of Customs.

Commissioner's Order, No. 59.]

Office of Lands and Immigration,
Wellington, 29th October, 1872.

IT is hereby notified for general information, that the under-mentioned gentlemen have been appointed to act as Commissioners to inspect and report upon the state and condition of Immigrants and Immigrant Ships upon their arrival:—

Auckland.

I. J. Burgess, Esq., Harbour Master; Daniel Pollen, Esq., Immigration Officer; T. M. Philson, Esq., M.D., L.R.C.S.E.

Napier.

H. B. Sealy, Esq.; G. T. Fannin, Esq., Immigration Officer; J. M. Tabuteau, Esq.; T. Hitchings, Esq.

Wellington.

John Holliday, Esq., Harbour Master; A. F. Halcombe, Esq., Immigration Officer; Alexander Johnston, Esq., M.D., M.R.C.S.E., L.C.S.A.; Jas. Hackworth, Esq.

Nelson.

J. S. Cross, Esq., Harbour Master; A. Greenfield, Esq., Immigration Officer; L. Boor, Esq., M.R.C.S.E., L.C.S.A.

Lyttelton.

Thomas Gibson, Esq., Harbour Master; J. E. March, Esq., Immigration Officer; W. Donald, Esq., R.M.; John T. Rouse, Esq., L.C.S.A.

Port Chalmers.

William Thomson, Esq., Harbour Master; Colin Allan, Esq., Immigration Officer; David O'Donoghue, Esq., L.R.C.P., L.R.C.S.

G. MAURICE O'ROrKE,
Minister for Lands and Immigration.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Wellington, 23rd October, 1872.

ENQUIRIES having been made respecting the under-mentioned person, particulars of whom are given below, any one who can give any information respecting him is requested to communicate with this office.

Name—Peter William Wood.

Occupation—Chief Mate, ship "Wallace." Sailed May, 1865, London to Sydney.

Description—Tall and dark, about 6 feet, walks with a limp.

Age—32.

Single.

His usual residence before coming to the Colony was 5, Raneleigh Road, Paddington.

G. S. COOPER,
Under Secretary.

General Post Office,
Wellington, 21st October, 1872.

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

By order.
W. GRAY
(for the Secretary).

MONEY ORDER OFFICES.
ENGLAND.

1. On the 1st of August a Money Order Office will be opened in London at—

Strand (Adelphi) No. 407	...	...	Postal District.
			W.C.

2. The Offices at Finchley, High Road, N., and Brentford Road (Northumberland Terrace), W., will be respectively designated Finchley, East End, N., and Gunnersbury Station, W.

3. Money Order Offices will be opened in the Country at—

	Head Office.	County.
Ampleforth	... York	... York.
Bembridge	... Ryde	... Isle of Wight
Bethersden	... Ashford	... Kent.
Brasted	... Sevenoaks	... Kent.
Carno	... Newtown	... Montgomery
Cefn Coed	... Merthyr Tydvil	... Glamorgan.
Crawshaw Booth	... Manchester	Lancaster.
Freeman Street, R.O.	... Grimsby	... Lincoln.
Girlington	... Bradford	... York.
Havering	... Romford	... Essex.
Moreton	... Dorchester	... Dorset.
Old Hill	... Dudley	... Worcester.
Parkstone	... Poole	... Dorset.
The Fish Docks, R.O.	... Grimsby	... Lincoln.
Tillingham	... Maldon	... Essex.
Westgate Hill, R.O.	... Newcastle, Tyne	Northumber-land.
Weston-under-Penyard	Ross	... Hereford.

IRELAND.

4. A Money Order Office will be open at—

Labasheeda	...	Head Office.	County.
		Ennis	Clare.

General Post Office, 2nd August, 1872.

STAMP DUTIES.

IT is notified for general information, that, by "The Stamp Duties Act Amendment Act, 1872," the Stamp Duty payable on cheques, drafts, and receipts is reduced from twopence to one penny, on and from the 1st December, 1872.

1. Persons holding adhesive stamps of the value of twopence may, by requisition on the Stamp Office of the Province, or on any Depository of Stamps, exchange the same for an equivalent value of adhesive stamps at one penny, or any other denomination.

2. Persons holding stamps at twopence, impressed on blank forms of cheques, drafts, or receipts, may exchange the same in like manner for adhesive stamps

of other denominations. But no exchanges of stamps at twopence, impressed on blank forms of cheques or drafts, will be made after the 30th November proximo, except at the reduced value of one penny.

C. T. BATEKIN,
Secretary for Stamp Duties.
Office of the Commissioner of Stamp Duties,
Wellington, 22nd October, 1872.

Government Annuities Office,
Wellington, 24th October, 1872.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint the under-mentioned gentlemen to be Medical Referees, under "The Government Annuities Act, 1869."

C. G. HEWSON, Esq., Otaki.
J. G. F. WILFORD, Esq., Hutt.
W. GISBORNE,
Commissioner.

Government Annuities Office,
Wellington, 24th October, 1872.

NOTICE is hereby given, that the under-mentioned Post Offices have been opened as Government Life Insurance and Annuity Offices, viz. :—

TAPUAEHARURU	...	Province of Auckland.
TARAWERA	...	" " Hawke's Bay.
WAIROA	...	" " Hawke's Bay.
WAIPAWA	...	" " Hawke's Bay.
FOXTON	...	" " Wellington.
HUTT	...	" " Wellington.

W. GISBORNE,
Commissioner.

Colonial Architect's Office,
Wellington, 28th October, 1872.

TENDERS are invited for Earthwork, Removal and Reconstruction of the Water Tank, &c., at the General Government Buildings.

General conditions, specifications, and drawings may be seen at the Offices of the Colonial Architect, Wellington.

Tenders will be received by the undersigned up to noon on Monday, the 4th day of November.

The lowest or any Tender not necessarily accepted.

W. H. CLAYTON,
Colonial Architect.

IN the matter of "The Friendly Societies Act, 1867:" Notice is hereby given, that a transcript of the General Laws of

"The Branch Hibernian Australasian Catholic Benefit Society," Hokitika,

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 twenty-fifth day of October, 1872.

G. S. COOPER
(for the Registrar).

IN the matter of "The Friendly Societies Act, 1867:" Notice is hereby given, that a transcript of the Rules of

"The Court Pride of Parnell, No. 4409, Ancient Order of Foresters,"

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 twenty-third day of October, 1870.

G. S. COOPER
(for the Registrar).

NOTICE.

TELEGRAMS VIA PORT DARWIN AND THE JAVA CABLE.

THE following Tariff Rates on Telegrams for the under-mentioned places *via* Port Darwin and the Java Cable, are published for general information, and will supersede those published in the *New Zealand Gazette*, No. 12, 5th March, 1872.

British Australian Telegraph Company, Limited.

In connection with the China Submarine Telegraph Company, Limited; British-Indian Extension Telegraph Company, Limited; British-Indian Submarine Telegraph Company, Limited; Anglo-Mediterranean Telegraph Company, Limited; Marseilles, Algiers, and Malta Telegraph Company, Limited; Falmouth, Gibraltar, and Malta Telegraph Company, Limited; Anglo-American and French Atlantic Telegraph Companies.

Charges—For 20 words or less (including Melbourne or Sydney rates):—

	Via Melbourne.			Via Sydney.		
	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Aden	9	2	6	9	5	6
Algeria and Tunis	9	3	0	9	6	0
Austria and Hungary	9	5	6	9	8	6
Barbary (Tripoli and Benghazi), post						
Malta	9	0	6	9	3	6
Belgium	9	6	0	9	9	0
China (Hong Kong)	7	11	6	7	14	6
" (Shanghai)	8	16	6	8	19	6
Cochin China	6	8	0	6	11	0
Corfu	9	6	0	9	9	0
Denmark	9	5	6	9	8	6
Egypt	10	2	6	10	5	6
France	9	6	0	9	9	0
Germany	9	5	6	9	8	6
Gibraltar	9	9	0	9	12	0
Great Britain (except London, which see) and Ireland, and Channel Islands	9	9	6	9	12	6
Greece (Mainland)	9	7	0	9	10	0
Holland	9	6	0	9	9	0
India (West of Chittagong)	7	2	6	7	5	6
" (East of Chittagong and Ceylon)	7	6	6	7	9	6
Japan (Nagasaki)	9	16	6	9	19	6
Java (Banjoewangie)	3	17	0	4	0	0
" (East of Samarang)	3	18	0	4	1	0
" (West of Samarang)	4	0	0	4	3	0
Italy	9	3	6	9	6	6
London	9	8	6	9	11	6
Luxemburgh	9	6	0	9	9	0
Malta	8	19	0	9	2	0
Norway	9	5	6	9	8	6
Penang	5	17	6	6	0	6
Portugal	9	9	0	9	12	0
Russia, in Europe	9	6	0	9	9	0
" (Caucasus)	9	12	6	9	15	6
" 1st Division	9	16	6	9	19	6
" 2nd "	10	3	0	10	6	0
" 3rd "	10	15	6	10	18	6
Servia	9	4	6	9	7	6
Singapore	5	1	6	5	4	6
Spain	9	8	0	9	11	0
Sweden	9	5	0	9	8	0
Switzerland	9	4	6	9	7	6
Syra	9	9	6	9	12	6
Turkey, in Europe	9	6	0	9	9	0
" in Asia (Seaports)	9	10	0	9	13	0
" (Inland)	9	13	6	9	16	6
United Principalities	9	3	6	9	6	6
Zante, Ithaca, Cephalonia, and Spezzia	9	8	6	9	11	6

For each 10 or fraction of 10 words above 20, one half of above rates will be charged.

Postage on messages to South America from Lisbon, one shilling; on messages to Mauritius and Reunion from Aden, and on messages to all parts of China and Japan from Hong Kong, Shanghai, or Nagasaki, one shilling and sixpence in addition to the rates to those stations.

Telegrams for America via Java Cable.

In addition to London rates (£9 8s. 6d. for 20 words or less *via* Melbourne, or £9 11s. 6d. *via* Sydney, and after 20 words, half rates), the following rates will be charged on messages of ten (10) words to the under-mentioned places, names and addresses being counted and charged for:—

To New York, £2, and 4s. for each extra word.

To San Francisco, £2 12s. 6d., and 5s. 3d. for each extra word.

To Havana (Cuba), £3 2s. 6d., and 6s. for each extra word.

To Kingston (Jamaica), £3 17s. 6d., and 7s. 3d. for each extra word.

NOTE.—In addition to the above rates, all Telegrams presented for transmission will be charged with the New Zealand Rates.

By order of the Telegraph Commissioner.

C. LEMON,
General Manager.

New Zealand Telegraph, Head Office,
Wellington, 15th October, 1872.

To WILLIAM PARKER STREET, Registrar of Births, Deaths, and Marriages for the District of Dunedin, Otago, New Zealand.

I, WILLIAM COTTERELL, Licentiate of the Royal College of Physicians, Edinburgh; Licentiate in Midwifery, Royal College of Surgeons, Edinburgh; Licentiate in Medicine and Surgery, Royal College of Physicians, Edinburgh; and Licentiate, Society of Apothecaries, London; Fellow of the Obstetric Society of London; Special Certificates in Medicine and Surgery; late House Physician, Charing Cross Hospital, London; and late Assistant Pathological Surgeon, Charing Cross Hospital School of Medicine, &c., &c., now residing in Dunedin, do hereby give notice that I intend to apply to you on the 6th day of December, 1872, to have my name placed on the Register of Medical Practitioners in the Colony of New Zealand; and I have deposited my Diplomas, along with this in your office for public inspection, in terms of "The Medical Practitioners Act, 1869."

WILLIAM COTTERELL.

Dunedin, 9th October, 1872.

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LAND TRANSFER ACT NOTICES.

NOTICE is hereby given, that the several parcels of land hereinafter described will be brought under the provisions of "The Land Transfer Act, 1870," unless caveat in the meantime be lodged forbidding the same.

JOHN BECKETT FIELDER, of Napier, Gentleman (Attorney for SMITH THOMAS GREENWELL, of Windsor, New South Wales, Draper), Applicant.—1 rood, being Town Section 241, Town of Napier.

DANIEL WOODS, of Napier, Settler, Applicant.—12 perches, being part of Town Section 288, Town of Napier. Commencing at a point in Hastings Street 32 feet in a southerly direction from the junction of Raffles Street and Hastings Street; thence easterly 82 feet 6 inches; thence southerly 40 feet; thence westerly and northerly to the commencing point, and forming a rectangular block. (C. Lindsay Margoliouth, Broker.)

Caveat in each case must be lodged within one calendar month after the date of the gazetting of this notice.

Diagrams may be inspected at this office.

Dated this 8th day of October, 1872, at the Lands Registry Office, Napier.

HANSON TURTON,
District Land Registrar.

LAND TRANSFER NOTICES.

NOTICE is hereby given, that the several parcels of land hereinafter described will be brought under the provisions of "The Land Transfer Act, 1870," unless caveat in the meantime be lodged forbidding the same.

WILLIAM MILLER, of Napier, Gaoler, Applicant.— $9\frac{1}{2}$ perches, being part of Suburban Section No. 87, Town of Napier. Bounded—On the North-east, South-east, and West by other parts of the same section, by lines measuring 135 links, 21 links, and 138 links respectively; and on the South by the Shakespeare Road, 36 links, the north-east boundary of which said piece of land is parallel to, and 300 links distant from the north-east boundary of the said section, and the south-east corner of the said piece of land is distant 315 links west of the south-east corner of the said section. (E. Lyndon, Broker.)

HENRY RICHARD HOLDER, of Napier, Saddler, Applicant.—1 rood $\frac{1}{2}$ perch, being other part of Suburban Section No. 87, Town of Napier, and adjoining the before-described parcel of land on the east and south-east sides thereof; and bounded on the North, East, North-west, and South-west by portions of same section, by lines measuring 162 links, 252 links, 21 links, and 266 links respectively; and on the South by Shakespeare Road, 60 links. (E. Lyndon, Broker.)

Time for caveat in each of above cases, 31st December, 1872.

THE BANK OF NEW ZEALAND, Applicant.—34 perches, being part of Town Section 126, Town of Napier. Bounded—On North-east by Section 127, 250 links; on South-east by Tennyson Street, 87 links; on South-west by other part of said Section 126, 250 links; and on North-west by Section 130, 87 links. (E. Lyndon, Broker.)

Caveat must be lodged within one calendar month after the gazetting of this notice.

Diagrams may be inspected at this office.

Dated this 19th day of October, 1872, at the Lands Registry Office, Napier.

HANSON TURTON,
676 District Land Registrar.

LAND TRANSFER ACT NOTICES.

NOTICE is hereby given, that the several parcels of land hereinafter described will be brought under the provisions of "The Land Transfer Act, 1870," unless caveat be lodged forbidding the same on or before the 28th day of December next.

Wanganui District.—Part Makirikiri Block, No. 1x, 1970 acres. Bounded—North, 6756 links in an irregular line dividing the said land from "Piko Piko, No. 2," and by the Matatara Stream; West, by a line other part of Block 1x, 11410 links, and by land belonging to D. Hughes 1975 links; South, by the Makirikiri Stream, by land of D. Hughes in an irregular line 2326 links, and by land of J. Speed 3624 links; East, in an irregular line 11059 links, by Makirikiri Block, No. 2.—In occupation of **JAMES BROWNLEE** and **CHRISTOPHER PARKER**, the Applicants. (H. S. Taylor, Broker.)

Wanganui Town.—Section "201," 1 rood. In occupation of Robert Marshall.—**GEORGE McCAUL**, of Wanganui, Clerk, Applicant. (Thomas Farrar, Broker.)

Diagrams may be inspected at this office.

Dated this 24th day of October, 1872, at the Lands Registry Office, Wellington.

JOHN E. SMITH,
691 District Land Registrar.

LAND TRANSFER ACT NOTICES.

NOTICE is hereby given, that the several parcels of land hereinafter described will be brought

under the provisions of "The Land Transfer Act, 1870," unless caveat in the meantime be lodged forbidding the same.

MRS. REUBENA ASKEW, Wife of Thomas Askew, of Nelson, Storekeeper, Applicant.—1 rood 16 perches, part of Section "430" on the plan of the City of Nelson, commencing at a point measured back 60 feet from the south-west angle of the said section. Bounded—Northward (61 feet) by Section 431; Eastward, partly (96 feet) by other part of same Section "430," partly (156 feet) by a private road; Southward (61 feet) by other part of same Section "430;" Westward (252 feet) by Section 432.

ROBERT STEPNEY LUCAS, of Nelson, Publisher, Applicant.—5 perches, part of Section "174" on the plan of the City of Nelson, having a frontage to Hardy Street of 21 feet, commencing at a point measured 46 feet from the south-west angle of the said section, and extending in depth at right angles with the front 70 feet. Bounded—North, East, and West, by other parts of same section; South, by Hardy Street. (W. Rout, Broker.)

JOHN PALMER, of the District of Waimea West, Nelson, Storekeeper, Applicant.—4 acres, part of Section "156" on the plan of the said District of Waimea West. Bounded—Northward (669 links) by a public road; Eastward (608 links) by a private road; Westward (608 links) by Section 157; Southward (669 links) by other part of same section "156." (Adams and Pitt, Solicitors.)

DONALD ROSS, of Nelson, Engineer, Applicant.—14 perches, part of Section "288" on the plan of the City of Nelson. Bounded—Northward (36 feet), Eastward (110 feet), by other parts of same section; Southward (36 feet) by Grove Street; Westward (110 feet) by Section 290. (Adams and Kingdon, Solicitors.)

SAMUEL HOLMES, of Stockton on Tees, Durham, England, by his Attorney, **JOE DRANSFIELD**, of Wellington, Merchant, Applicant.—1 acre, being Section "873" on the plan of the City of Nelson. (Adams and Kingdon, Solicitors.)

MRS. ELIZABETH SMITH, of Nelson, Widow, Applicant.—1 rood 31 perches, part of Section "665" on the plan of the City of Nelson. Bounded—North, partly by Section 666, partly by other part of same Section "665," belonging to J. F. Hingstone; East, by other parts of same Section "665," belonging to A. Allport, J. F. Hingstone, D. N. Grant, and the said Elizabeth Smith; South by Section 664; West by Wellington Street. Also, 2 perches, other part of same Section "665," having a frontage to Waimea Street of 6 feet, commencing at a point measured 6 feet from the south-eastern angle of the same section, and extending back at right angles to the front 104 feet. Bounded—North, West, and South, by other parts of same section; East by Waimea Street. (W. Rout, Broker.)

Caveat in each case must be lodged within one calendar month from the date of publication of this notice in the *Gazette*.

Diagrams may be inspected at this office.

Dated this 19th day of October, 1872, at the Lands Registry Office, Nelson.

SAMUEL KINGDON,
686 District Land Registrar.

LAND TRANSFER ACT NOTICES.

NOTICE is hereby given, that the several parcels of land hereinafter described will be brought under the provisions of "The Land Transfer Act, 1870," unless caveat in the meantime be lodged forbidding the same.

ROBERT ALLAN.—20 perches, part Section 83,

Town of Lyttelton, being eastern half of said section. (Garrick and Cowlishaw, Solicitors.)

MARY SHAW PUCKLE.—20 acres, Section 3729, Christchurch District. (C. Clark, Broker.)

THOMAS SMITH DUNCAN.—22 perches, part Section 1078, Christchurch City. A rectangular block fronting St. Asaph Street 36 feet, and back North 165 feet; the south-east corner being south-east corner of section. (Duncan and Jameson, Solicitors.)

GEORGE GOULD.—200 acres, Section 9173, Upper Christchurch District. (J. Lewis, Broker.)

ROBERT DOUBLE.—2 roods, Lots 237, 239, Rhodes Town, Timaru, part Rural Section 8. (J. King, Broker.)

ANN GRAY MONRO.—10 acres, part Section 1529, Timaru District. Bounded—on the East by a line at right angles to the southern boundary of the section, cutting such boundary at a point 2225 links from the south-east corner, and bounded on the other sides by the boundaries of the section. (J. King, Broker.)

WILLIAM PRINCE MONRO.—1 acre, Lots 294, 295, 296, 297, Rhodes Town, Timaru, part Rural Section 8. (J. King, Broker.)

JOHN SARJEANT.—36 perches, part Lot 94, Christchurch Town Reserves. A rectangular block, commencing at a point distant 305 links from west and 50 links from south boundaries of lot; thence East parallel to south boundary, 1 chain; thence North, 3 chains; thence West, 50 links; thence South, 150 links; thence West, 50 links; and thence South, 150 links, to starting point. (A. C. Cottrell, Solicitor.)

THOMAS WILLIAM ADAMS.—128 acres, Section 12459, Malvern, and 8795, Christchurch District.

HENRY BUSH GRISBROOK.—58 acres, Section 573, Christchurch District. Also, 2 roods, Sections 246, 247, Christchurch City, except part of Section 247 at north-west corner thereof. Bounded—North by Kilmore Street, 64 feet; South-west by Cambridge Terrace, 64 feet; and East and South-east by lines at right angles to Kilmore Street and Cambridge Terrace respectively. (R. J. S. Harman, Broker.)

CHARLES FREDERICK MONEY.—80 acres, Section 10856, Lincoln District.

SAMUEL HEWLINGS, Attorney for JOHN WILMSHURST.—2 roods, Section 43, Township of Wallingford.

JOHN MELTON.—1 rood, Lot 71, Rhodes Town, Timaru, part Rural Section 8. (J. King, Broker.)

ARTHUR WILSON.—60 acres, Sections 7430, 8476, 12592, Oxford District. (Duncan and Jameson, Solicitors.)

JOSEPH MEGSON and JOSEPH DALE.—40 acres, Section 10429, Timaru District. (E. H. Tate, Broker.)

PERCIVAL PEARCE.—1 rood 22 perches, part Lot 157, Christchurch Town Reserves. Bounded—South and East by south and east boundaries of Lot 98, and 397 links respectively; and North and West by straight lines, 103 and 397 links in length respectively. (Garrick and Cowlishaw, Solicitors.)

THOMAS LEWIS.—12 perches, part Lot 94, Christchurch Town Reserves. A rectangular block, commencing at a point 205 links from west and 50 links from south boundaries of lot; thence West parallel to south boundary, 50 links; and back North, 150 links.

JAMES HEWITT.—1 rood, Section 244, Christchurch City. (J. Lewis, Broker.)

WILLIAM WILSON, Attorney for CHARLES MACKIE.—9 acres 1 rood 27 perches; part Section 175, Christchurch District. Commencing at a point on southern boundary of section 13 chains from south-west corner; thence East along said boundary 770 links; and North in a rectangular block to north boundary of section. (W. Wilson, Broker.)

JOHN WALSH.—20 acres, Section 7088, Christchurch District. (W. Wilson, Broker.)

WILLIAM CAMPBELL.—150 acres, Section 7653, Timaru District. (C. Clark, Broker.)

JOSHUA STRANGE WILLIAMS, Attorney for CHARLOTTE LOUISA CRIPPS.—1 acre 1 rood 8 perches, part Section 14, Christchurch District. A rectangular block having its east boundary parallel to and 696 links from east boundary of section; the north and east boundaries being 325 and 417 links in length respectively. Also, 1 rood, part of same section, fronting Ferry Road 77 links, and back in a rectangular block 325 links; the north-east corner being 385 links from north-east corner of section.

Caveat in each case must be lodged within one calendar month after the date of publication of this advertisement.

Diagrams may be inspected at this office.

Dated this 23rd day of October, 1872, at the Lands Registry Office, Christchurch.

JOSHUA STRANGE WILLIAMS,
District Land Registrar.

LAND TRANSFER ACT NOTICES.

NOTICE is hereby given, that the several parcels of land hereinafter described will be brought under the provisions of "The Land Transfer Act, 1870," unless caveat be lodged forbidding the same on or before the 9th day of December, 1872.

Section 8, Upper Harbour East District.—WILLIAM JOSEPH MURLEY, of Dunedin, Boat Builder, Applicant. 842.

Sections 64 and 65, Block XXXIV., Dunedin.—JOHN HARRIS ROGERS HARRISON, of Auckland, Gentleman (as Attorney for JOHN HILL CROSSE, of Exeter, Devonshire, England, Captain in Her Majesty's Sixteenth Regiment of Foot), Applicant. 843, 847.

Part of Section 7, Block IX., Town of Dunedin, —ALEXANDER SPEIRS RISK, of Dunedin, Printer, Applicant. 844.

Sections 1 of 45 and 2 of 45, Block V., Hawksbury District.—ALEXANDER STUART, of Hawksbury District, Settler, Applicant. 845.

Sections 1b, 1e, and 1f, Block I., Town of Clyde.—BENJAMIN NAYLOR, of Clyde, Merchant, Applicant. 846.

Part of Section 37, Block XIV., Dunedin.—ELIZA MAJOR, of Dunedin, Widow, Applicant. 848.

Sections 5, 6, and part of 3, 4, and 19, Block VI., Hawksbury District.—JOHN RICHARD JONES, of Dunedin, Gentleman, Applicant. 851.

Section 38, Block I., Maruwenua District.—JOHN REID, of Merton, Settler, Applicant. 852.

Part of Section 28, Block XXII., Dunedin.—ROBERT SWAN, of Dunedin, Painter, Applicant. 854.

Section 46, Block VIII., Akatore District.—THOMAS LEWIS, of Tokomairiro, Settler, Applicant. 858.

Diagrams may be inspected at this office.

Dated this 19th day of October, 1872, at the Lands Registry Office, Dunedin.

D. F. MAIN,
District Land Registrar.

LAND TRANSFER ACT NOTICES.

NOTICE is hereby given, that the several parcels of land hereinafter described will be brought under the provisions of "The Land Transfer Act, 1870," unless caveat in the meantime be lodged forbidding the same.

Sections one (1), Block twenty-eight (XXVIII.), and twenty-two (22), Block twenty (XX.), both in Town of Invercargill.

Applicant, GEORGE SAUNDERS, of Invercargill, Butcher.

Caveats in each case must be lodged within one calendar month after the gazetting of this notice.

Diagrams may be inspected at this office.

Dated this 17th day of October, 1872, at the Lands Registry Office, Invercargill.

W. RUSSELL,
District Land Registrar.

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OFFICIAL AGENCY.

DISTRIBUTION SCHEDULES UNDER THE MINING COMPANIES LIMITED LIABILITY ACTS, 1865, 1870, AND 1871.

IN the matter of "The Hand-in-Hand Gold Mining Company, Registered."

I hereby declare a second payment of six shillings and sixpence sterling in the pound to all Creditors proved under first schedule in above-named Company, payable on and after October 17.

HORATIO NELSON WARNER,
Official Agent.

Auckland, 17th September, 1872. 684

IN the matter of "The Diggers' Friend Gold Mining Company, Registered."

	£	s.	d.
Assets—Moneys collected, in hand ...	82	15	1
Liabilities—Per Schedule ...	197	13	8

I hereby declare a first payment of five shillings in the pound to all Creditors proved in above-named Company, payable on and after the 17th October.

HORATIO NELSON WARNER,
Official Agent.

Auckland, 17th September, 1872. 685

IN the matter of "The Braganza Gold Mining Company, Registered."

	£	s.	d.
Assets—Moneys collected, in hand ...	90	5	8
Liabilities—Reduced per Schedule ...	107	19	7

Mode of Distribution.

I hereby declare a first payment of sixteen shillings in the pound on the reduced liabilities, as proved in the above-named Company, payable on and after 26th October.

HORATIO NELSON WARNER,
Official Agent.

Auckland, 26th September, 1872. 677

IN the matter of "The John O'Groats Extension Gold Mining Company, Registered."

	£	s.	d.
Assets—Moneys collected, in hand ...	70	4	5
Liabilities—Reduced per Schedule ...	103	8	7

Mode of Distribution.

I hereby declare a first payment of twelve shillings and sixpence in the pound on the reduced liabilities, as proved in the above-named Company, payable on and after 26th October.

HORATIO NELSON WARNER,
Official Agent.

Auckland, 26th September, 1872. 678

IN the matter of "The Ladybird and Hand of Friendship Gold Mining Company, Registered."

	£	s.	d.
Assets—Moneys collected, in hand ...	222	10	0
Liabilities—Reduced per Schedule, including all expenses ...	222	19	0

Mode of Distribution.

I hereby declare a first and final payment of twenty shillings in the pound on the reduced liabilities, as proved in the above-named Company, payable on and after 26th October.

In consideration of the foregoing, I declare the Ladybird and Hand of Friendship Gold Mining Company fully wound up and extinct.

HORATIO NELSON WARNER,
Official Agent.

Auckland, 26th September, 1872. 679

IN the matter of "The Hokitika Gold Mining Company, Registered."

	£	s.	d.
Assets—Moneys collected, in hand ...	132	13	4
Liabilities—Per Schedule ...	251	3	0

I hereby declare a first payment of ten shillings in the pound to all Creditors proved in above Company, payable on and after 7th November.

HORATIO NELSON WARNER,
Official Agent.

Auckland, 7th October, 1872. 680

IN the matter of "The Harp and Shamrock Gold Mining Company, Registered."

	£	s.	d.
Assets—Moneys collected, in hand ...	45	9	7
Liabilities—Per Schedule ...	167	11	9

I hereby declare a first payment of three shillings in the pound to all Creditors proved in above Company, payable on and after 7th November.

HORATIO NELSON WARNER,
Official Agent.

Auckland, 7th October, 1872. 681

IN the matter of "The Prospectors' Gold Mining Company, Registered."

	£	s.	d.
Assets—Moneys collected, in hand ...	90	12	2
Liabilities—Per Schedule ...	123	15	0

I hereby declare a first payment of twelve shillings and sixpence in the pound to all Creditors proved in above Company, payable on and after 7th November.

HORATIO NELSON WARNER,
Official Agent.

Auckland, 7th October, 1872. 682

IN the matter of "The Success Gold Mining Company, Registered."

	£	s.	d.
Assets—Moneys collected, in hand ...	111	17	8
Liabilities—Per Schedule ...	369	5	10

I hereby declare a first payment of five shillings in the pound to all Creditors proved in above Company, payable on and after 7th November.

HORATIO NELSON WARNER,
Official Agent.

Auckland, 7th October, 1872. 683

DISSOLUTION OF PARTNERSHIP.

THE Partnership between the undersigned in the firm of "L. W. Loveday and Co.," being this day dissolved by mutual consent, the business will in future be carried on as usual by L. W. Loveday.

L. W. LOVEDAY.
A. BRYCE BAIN.

Signed in presence of Osborne Brothers.

Grahamstown, 16th October, 1872. 692

ABSTRACT of METEOROLOGICAL OBSERVATIONS, New Zealand, for the Month of AUGUST, 1872.

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.		Clouds.
	Mean Reading	Extr'me Range.	Mean Temp. in Shade.	Mean Daily Range of Temp.	Extr'me Range of Temp.	Max. Temp. in Sun's Rays.	Min. Temp. on Grass.	Mean Elastic Force of Vapour.	Mean Deg. of Moist. (Satur- ation =100.)	Total Fall in Month (inches)	No. of Days on which Rain fell.	Average Daily Force in Miles for Month.	Maximum Velocity in Miles in any 24 hours, and Date.	Mean Amount for Month (0 to 10).
MONGONUI ... Same month previous 8 years	30.085 29.919	.791	53.4 52.5	16.9	31.0	130.0	...	.374 .327	93 77	3.660 6.255	18 22	185	534, 23rd	5.0
AUCKLAND ... Same month previous 8 years	30.009 29.825	.856	51.0 53.1	14.4	17.7	120.4	13.0	.301 .323	77 80	3.669 5.190	20 21	262	509, 15th	5.7
TARANAKI ... Same month previous 8 years	29.967 29.841	1.037	49.4 50.0	17.7	33.0	136.0	22.0	.213 .300	62 77	6.050 6.108	20 19	...	...	6.3
NAPIER ... Same month previous 5 years	30.060 29.845	.826	50.0 50.8	19.0	40.0	119.0	...	.261 .295	72 78	0.440 5.466	8 10	230	500, 31st	2.0
WANGANUI ... Same month previous 8 years	30.020 ...	1.020	47.1 ...	16.0	37.0	118.0	11.0	.217 ...	69 ...	3.270 4.130	18 14	274	498, 12th	5.0
WELLINGTON ... Same month previous 8 years	29.864 29.809	1.220	47.4 48.4	11.0	26.3	112.0	25.0	.284 .248	88 72	5.040 4.929	16 16	186	625, 11th	5.7
NELSON ... Same month previous 8 years	29.846 29.874	1.028	45.7 47.2	19.6	36.0	118.0	20.0	.260 .266	85 75	10.110 5.031	10 9	...	...	6.3
CHRISTCHURCH ... Same month previous 8 years	29.837 29.828	1.222	42.9 44.0	14.6	34.5	112.5	8.8	.228 .242	83 81	1.632 2.546	12 11	...	...	5.0
BEALEY ... Same month previous 4 years	29.768 29.782	1.112	34.7 37.1	13.5	34.6	113.6	12.0*	.181 .193	90 88	12.210 9.748	20 17	...	...	5.2
HOKITIKA ... Same month previous 6 years	29.638 29.862	1.175	44.3 45.4	14.3	29.7	66.5	20.2	.264 .284	90 89	11.570 9.300	21 17	160	393, 14th	5.0
DUNEDIN ... Same month previous 8 years	29.746 29.864	1.202	42.7 43.7	12.9	29.0	105.0	20.0	.208 .218	76 75	3.618 2.610	13 17	180	435, 18th	6.0
QUEENSTOWN ...	29.834	1.241	39.2	13.4	37.0	110.2	...	.181	77	2.690	11	164	262, 19th	5.4
SOUTHLAND ... Same month previous 7 years	29.780 29.735	1.180	40.8 43.6	14.6	32.0	103.0	24.0	.221 .219	87 76	5.410 4.192	19 12	182	360	6.1

* Below zero.

NOTES FOR AUGUST, 1872.

Mongonui.—Showery weather, but moderate rainfall; maximum on 29th, 1.11 inch; on 7th, strong N.E. wind; 9th, strong N.W. with thunder, and 11th, gale from same quarter with rain; 22nd, strong from N.E. with rain, and 23rd and 24th from N.W.; thunder also on 1st, 29th, and 30th; prevailing wind N.W. Maximum temperature in shade, 66°; minimum, 35°.

Auckland.—Genial pleasant weather generally; small rainfall, though showery; maximum on 24th, 0.725; frosty nights from 16th to 20th; wind variable, but most frequent from S. and S.W.; showery and stormy from S.; violent squalls on 25th from N.E. Heavy thunderstorm on 29th. Maximum temperature, 61.9 in shade; minimum 44.2.

Taranaki.—Frequent showers in early and latter part, and fine during middle of month; wind prevailed from S.E., and generally moderate; on 28th, strong from N., with heavy rain, thunder, lightning, and hail; hail also on 2nd. Maximum rain on 7th, 1.68 inch. Maximum temperature in shade, 64°; minimum, 31°.

Napier.—Weather throughout generally fine, with very slight rain; maximum fall on 31st, 0.12 inch; wind prevailed from N.E., and rather strong during latter part of month; clear frosty nights. Maximum temperature in shade, 70°; minimum, 30°.

Wanganui.—Moist temperate weather generally, a few clear frosty nights; wind moderate, prevailed from N.W.; squally and wet on 11th, 12th, and 13th; wind westerly; maximum rain on 15th, 0.43 inch. Maximum temperature in shade, 67°; minimum, 30°.

Wellington.—Rather fine early part of month, but very cold from N.W.; hail on 3rd from S.E.; from 7th the weather was showery and unsettled, wind chiefly N.W.; occasionally fine days, though dull; on 10th, strong N.W. wind and rain; on 12th sudden squall from S.E., with hail, sleet and rain, very cold; on 14th, squall of hail, sleet, and rain from S.W.; also hail on 15th from same quarter; on night of 28th vivid lightning and loud thunder, with heavy shower, wind S.E.; stormy from S.E., with rain on 29th and 30th; on 31st hail and rain, and very cold. Maximum rain .950 inch on 11th; prevailing wind N.W. Maximum temperature in shade, 58°; minimum, 31.7.

Nelson.—Fine early part of month, rain commenced on 6th, and continued up to 13th; very heavy fall on 10th, with strong N.E. gale, 5.95 inches fell in twelve hours; fine again till 23rd, when there was heavy rain from E. and S.E.; dull during end of month; wind changeable. Maximum temperature 62° in shade; minimum, 26°.

Christchurch.—Weather generally very fine throughout month; 12th and 14th very cold and severe, with considerable fall of snow, thunder also on 14th; strong S.W. wind on 29th; and rain and cold and disagreeable on 30th; fog on 26th and 27th; maximum rain on 1st, 0.375 inch; prevailing N.W. winds. Maximum temperature in shade, 58.2; minimum, 23.7.

Bealey.—Very cold, severe, and very wet during first and latter part of month; bright and frosty from 16th to 22nd; prevailing wind N.W.; maximum rain on 11th, 3.650 inches; thunder on 10th; ten days of snow; fog on 24th. Maximum temperature, 49° in shade; minimum, 14.4.

Hokitika.—Very wet and unpleasant weather, except from 16th to 22nd, when it was bright and frosty; stormy in early part, principally westerly, with thunder, snow and hail on 12th; maximum rain, 1.70 inch on 28th; thirteen days of east wind. Maximum temperature in shade, 57.1; minimum, 27.4.

Dunedin.—Fine weather until 11th, when a severe snowstorm occurred, and lasted till the 15th; the latter part of month showery; maximum rainfall, 1.380 inch on 29th; fog on 24th; wind moderate, prevailed from W. Maximum temperature, 56° in shade; minimum, 27°.

Queenstown.—Cold and wet to middle of month, when it changed to bright calm days and cold frosty nights; slight rain at latter part of month; prevailing winds N.W. and S.W.; strong from latter on 14th and 18th; six days of snow; fog on 19th; maximum rain on 11th, 1.41 inch. Maximum temperature in shade, 60°; minimum, 23°.

Southeastland.—Much bad weather; 1st to 11th, showery, with thunder and lightning; from 11th to 16th, heavy snowstorms, latter part of month showery; five days of snow, four of hail, four of thunder; no gales or fog; prevailing winds, N. and N.W.; maximum rainfall on 12th 0.98 inch. Maximum temperature in shade, 58°; minimum, 26°.

GENERAL REMARKS.

Temperature below the average throughout, generally fine in North, and rain moderate; in the South very severe cold weather, especially in early part of month, when a heavy snow-storm occurred, also heavy rain and frequent thunder-storms. Earthquakes reported at Wellington, very slight, on 4th; at Waipukurau, on 2nd, sharp; at Foxton, on 2nd, slight. Aurora seen in North on 9th.

JAMES HECTOR, Inspector.

PARTICULARS of the Estates of Deceased Persons which have been placed under the charge of **FREDERICK NUTTER, Esq.**, Curator at Invercargill of the Estates of Deceased Persons, during the Month of September, 1872.

No.	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.
1	John Henderson ...	Invercargill	Scotland ...	None required ...	Under £16	14th September, 1872	

Dated the 1st day of October, 1872.

F. NUTTER,

Curator.

PARTICULARS of the Estates of Deceased Persons which have been placed under the charge of **WILLIAM M. CROMPTON, Esq.**, Curator of the Estates of Deceased Persons, Taranaki, during the Months of July, August, and September, 1872.

No.	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.
1	July—Nil. August—Nil. John Gerrard ...	Clifton ...	Bedford Leigh, Lancashire.	20th September ...	£ s. d. 75 0 0	1 Sept., 1867	

Dated the 7th day of October, 1872.

W. M. CROMPTON,

Curator.

PARTICULARS of the Estates of Deceased Persons which have been placed under the charge of **ALFRED CHETHAM-STRODE, Esq.**, Curator of the Estates of Deceased Persons for the District of Otago, during the Month of September, 1872.

No.	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.
1	Joseph Edmondson	Upper Clutha, Otago	Not known	None required ...	Under £26	13 April, 1872	Accidentally drowned.
2	William Park ...	Naseby, Otago	Ditto ...	Ditto ...	" 3	4 June, 1872	
3	"Ah Yep" ...	Cardrona, Otago	China ...	Ditto ...	" 1	11 June, 1872	
4	James Gregory ...	Roxburgh, Otago	Sydney, New South Wales	Ditto ...	" 1	18 June, 1872	
6	William Farren ...	Dunedin	Ireland ...	Ditto ...	" 2	23 June, 1872	

Dated at Dunedin, the 1st day of October, 1872.

A. CHETHAM-STRODE,

Curator.