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**NEW ZEALAND GAZETTE.**  
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(L.S.) JAMES FERGUSSON, Governor.  
A PROCLAMATION.

WHEREAS by an Order in Council made on the fourth day of October, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-nine, the Province of Marlborough was constituted and established under "The New Provinces Act, 1858," and it is provided by the Constitution Act that it shall be lawful for the Governor of New Zealand, by Proclamation or otherwise, to dissolve the Provincial Council of any Province whenever he shall think it expedient so to do:

Now therefore, I, the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, in exercise of the said power, do, by this Proclamation, dissolve the Provincial Council of the said Province of Marlborough.

Given under the hand of His Excellency the Right Honorable Sir James Fergusson, Baronet, a Member of Her Majesty's Most Honorable Privy Council, Governor and Commander-in-Chief in and over Her Majesty's Colony of New Zealand and its Dependencies, and Vice-Admiral of the same; and issued under the Seal of the said Colony, at Dunedin, this fifth day of January, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and seventy-four.

JOHN BATHGATE.

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN!

*Warrant appointing Polling Places.*

JAMES FERGUSSON, GOVERNOR.

TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS SHALL COME,  
GREETING:

WHEREAS by an Act of the General Assembly of New Zealand, intituled "The Regulation of Elections Act, 1870," it is enacted that it shall be lawful for the Governor, by Warrant under his hand, from time to time to appoint Polling Places for each Electoral District within or within one mile of the limits thereof, and to appoint any one of such places to be the Principal Polling Place for the district, and

all or any of such Polling Places from time to time to abolish, and to appoint other Polling Places in lieu of those abolished, and that every such Warrant shall be published in the *New Zealand Gazette*: Provided always that no Polling Place shall be appointed by the Governor under the said Act unless he shall be first satisfied that the place to be appointed is more convenient than any other for at least twenty electors to record their votes thereat: And whereas by the said Act it is further enacted that every election of the Superintendent or of a Member of the Provincial Council of a Province shall be conducted in the manner prescribed therein for the election of Members of the House of Representatives, and that the Governor shall have the same powers of appointing and altering Polling Places and Principal Polling Places for Electoral Districts for the election of Superintendents and Members of Provincial Councils as under the provisions thereinbefore contained he has for Electoral Districts for election of Members of the House of Representatives:

Now therefore, I, Sir James Fergusson, Baronet, the Governor of New Zealand, in pursuance of the power and authority in me vested by the said Act, do hereby appoint the following places to be Polling Places for the District of the Province of Marlborough, for the election of Superintendent of the said Province, namely,—

- The Council Chamber, Blenheim.
- The Court House, Picton.
- The Court House, Havelock.
- The House of Mr. C. H. Mills, Homewood, Pelorus Sound.
- The House of Mr. James Jackson, Te Awaite, Queen Charlotte's Sound.
- The School House, Mahakipawa.
- The House of Mr. Green, Waitohi Valley.
- The School House, North Bank of Wairau.
- The Public Hall, Marlborough Town.
- The School House, Renwick.
- The School House, Wairau Valley.
- The House of Mr. R. Beaumont, Starborough, Awatere.
- The School House, Kekerangu.
- The Court House, Kaikoura.

And I do further appoint the following to be the Principal Polling Place for the said District, namely,—

The Council Chamber, Blenheim.

Given under the hand of His Excellency the Right Honorable Sir James Fergusson, Baronet, a Member of Her Majesty's Most Honorable Privy Council, 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 Dunedin, this fifth day of January, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and seventy-four.

JOHN BATHGATE.

*Warrant abolishing Polling Places and Principal Polling Places, and appointing others in lieu thereof, in Marlborough.*

JAMES FERGUSSON, Governor.

TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS SHALL COME, GREETING :

WHEREAS by "The Regulation of Elections Act, 1870," it is enacted that it shall be lawful for the Governor, by Warrant under his hand, from time to time to appoint Polling Places for each Electoral District within or within one mile of the limits thereof, and to appoint any one of such Polling Places to be the Principal Polling Place for the District, and all or any of such Polling Places from time to time to abolish, and, if he think fit, to appoint other Polling Places in lieu of those abolished, and that every such Warrant shall be published in the *New Zealand Gazette*: Provided always that no Polling Place shall be appointed by the Governor under the said Act unless he shall be first satisfied that the place to be appointed is more convenient than any other for at least twenty electors to record their votes thereat:

And whereas, by Warrant under the hand of the Governor, certain places were appointed Polling Places and Principal Polling Places for the Province of Marlborough, for the election of Members of the Provincial Council of the said Province: And whereas it is expedient to abolish the same:

Now know ye that I, Sir James Fergusson, Baronet, the Governor of New Zealand, in pursuance of the power and authority in me vested by the said Act, do hereby abolish all existing Polling Places for the said Province for the election of Members of the Provincial Council thereof, and do appoint in lieu thereof,—

- For Picton District :  
The Court House, Picton.
- For Blenheim District :  
The Council Chamber, Blenheim.
- For Lower Wairau District :  
The Council Chamber, Blenheim.
- For Queen Charlotte Sound District :  
The School House, Mahakipawa.  
The House of Mr. James Jackson, Te Awaite.
- For Tua Marina District :  
The School House, Massacre Hill.  
The House of Mr. Green, Waitohi Valley.
- For Spring Creek District :  
The Public Hall, Marlborough Town.
- For Pelorus District :  
The Court House, Havelock.  
The House of Mr. C. H. Mills, Homewood, Pelorus Sound.
- For Upper Wairau District :  
The School House, Renwick.  
The School House, North Bank of Wairau.

- For Wairau Valley District :  
The School House, Wairau Valley.  
Brickman and Co.'s Flax Mill.
- For Awatere District :  
The House of Mr. R. Beaumont, Starborough.
- For Clarence District :  
The Court House, Kaikoura.
- For Gold Fields District :  
The Warden's Office, Deep Creek, Wakamarina.

And I do also hereby abolish the existing Principal Polling Places for the Province of Marlborough, for the election of Members of the Provincial Council thereof, and do appoint in lieu thereof,—

- For Picton District :  
The Court House, Picton.
- For Blenheim District :  
The Council Chamber, Blenheim.
- For Lower Wairau District :  
The Council Chamber, Blenheim.
- For Queen Charlotte Sound District :  
The School House, Mahakipawa.
- For Tua Marina District :  
The School House, Massacre Hill.
- For Spring Creek District :  
The Public Hall, Marlborough Town.
- For Pelorus District :  
The Court House, Havelock.
- For Upper Wairau District :  
The School House, Renwick.
- For Wairau Valley District :  
The School House, Wairau Valley.
- For Awatere District :  
The House of Mr. R. Beaumont, Starborough.
- For Clarence District :  
The Court House, Kaikoura.
- For Gold Fields District :  
The Warden's Office, Deep Creek, Wakamarina.

Given under the hand of His Excellency the Right Honorable Sir James Fergusson, Baronet, a Member of Her Majesty's Most Honorable Privy Council, 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 Dunedin, this fifth day of January, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and seventy-four.

JOHN BATHGATE.

*Visit of H.M.S. "Pearl" to Samoa.*

Colonial Secretary's Office,  
Wellington, 13th January, 1874.

THE following Letter from Commodore Goodenough, R.N., Commanding the Australian Station, as to the visit of H.M.S. "Pearl" to Samoa, is published for general information.

WILLIAM H. REYNOLDS,  
(in absence of the Colonial Secretary).

Her Majesty's Ship "Pearl,"  
At Sea, Lat. 14° 59' S., Long. 174° 30' W.,  
14th November, 1873.

SIR,— I have the honor to inform your Excellency that, on a recent visit to Samoa on the 8th instant, I found that the wars which have long been reducing the islands to poverty were at an end, and that the natives had been able to agree to a General Government, under the leadership of a body of seven chiefs, called the *Taimua*, and to a Constitution and Laws which came into force on the 1st instant. This appeared to me to be a thoroughly genuine attempt

at self-government, and carried with it a good prospect of future peace; and I therefore received the *Taimua* (literally "leaders") on board the "Pearl," and saluted their flag, in recognition of an authority which has been properly constituted, and has a clear right to exercise jurisdiction in Samoa.

The flag is a red one, with a blue jack in the left upper canton, bearing a white star.

I have, &c.,

JAMES G. GOODENOUGH,  
Captain and Commodore 2nd Class,  
Commanding Australian Station.

His Excellency the Right Hon.

Sir James Fergusson, Bart., &c.,  
Governor of New Zealand.

*Notice of Claims for Bonus on certain Colonial Industries.*

Colonial Secretary's Office,  
Wellington, 8th January, 1874.

IT is hereby notified for general information, that notice of intention to claim the Bonus offered by Government for the following Colonial Industries, have been sent in, viz. :—

*For Iron.*

Manager, Collingwood Coal Company, Nelson.  
Magnus Manson, Motupipi, Nelson.  
J. C. Stovin, Awitu, Auckland.  
Para Para Coal and Iron Company, Collingwood, Nelson.  
Richard Chilman, Agent for H. J. Walduck and Company, New Plymouth.

*For Sugar.*

Ed. Woolfield, Onehunga.  
W. J. Cawkwell, Auckland.  
John Davis, Dunedin.  
Samuel Begg, Napier.  
R. R. Hunt, Newcastle, Waikato.

WILLIAM H. REYNOLDS,  
(in absence of the Colonial Secretary).

*Provincial Registration Officer appointed.*

Colonial Secretary's Office,  
Wellington, 12th January, 1874.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint

CYRUS GOULTER, Esq.,  
to be Registration Officer under "The Provincial Elections Act, 1858," for the Province of Marlborough.

WILLIAM H. REYNOLDS,  
(in absence of the Colonial Secretary).

*Provincial Returning Officers appointed.*

Colonial Secretary's Office,  
Wellington, 12th January, 1874.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint the following gentlemen to be Returning Officers for the election of Members of the Provincial Council of Marlborough for the Districts set opposite their names respectively, viz. :—

CHRISTOPHER WHITNEY GRIFFITHS,—Spring Creek.  
JOHN HADFIELD SMITH,—Gold Fields.

WILLIAM H. REYNOLDS,  
(in absence of the Colonial Secretary).

*Registration and Returning Officer appointed.*

Colonial Secretary's Office,  
Wellington, 12th January, 1874.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint

ARTHUR CHILLAS HENDERSON, Esq.,  
to be Registration and Returning Officer for the election of Members of the House of Representatives for the Electoral Districts of Invercargill and Mataura, *vice* W. H. Pearson, Esq., resigned.

WILLIAM H. REYNOLDS,  
(in absence of the Colonial Secretary).

*Mayors elected.*

Colonial Secretary's Office,  
Wellington, 14th January, 1874.

IT is hereby notified, that, in conformity with Clause 133 of "The Municipal Corporations Act, 1867," the names of the following persons have been sent in to this office by the Town Clerks as having been elected Mayors for the places set opposite their names, viz. :—

JOHN MACK HUTCHESON,—Blenheim.  
JAMES WILSON HUMPHREY,—Westport.  
EDWARD GEORGE KERR,—Kaiapoi.

WILLIAM H. REYNOLDS,  
(in absence of the Colonial Secretary).

*Petition for Municipality at Nelson.*

Colonial Secretary's Office,  
Wellington, 14th January, 1874.

IN conformity with the provisions of "The Municipal Corporations Act, 1867," the following Petition from Inhabitant Householdors of the City of Nelson for that City to be constituted a Borough, and Letter of Assent from His Honor the Superintendent of Nelson, are published for general information; and it is hereby notified that His Excellency the Governor will consider the Petition on the 16th day of March next.

WILLIAM H. REYNOLDS,  
(in absence of the Colonial Secretary).

A.

To His Excellency the Right Honorable Sir JAMES FERGUSSON, Baronet, a Member of Her Majesty's Most Honorable Privy Council, Governor and Commander-in-Chief in and over Her Majesty's Colony of New Zealand and its Dependencies, and Vice-Admiral of the same, &c., &c.,

The Petition of the undersigned Inhabitants, Householdors of the City of Nelson, the boundaries whereof are hereinafter more particularly set forth.

HUMBLY SHOWETH,—

The City of Nelson, the boundaries of which are hereinafter more particularly set forth, comprises the site of the Town and the Wakatu District, and is bounded as follows :—By a line drawn from the Light-house on the Boulder Bank to the south-west angle of section numbered 1 on the plan of Suburban North; thence by the southern boundary of the said section; thence by the boundaries of Block A in the Wakatu District to the bank of the River Maitai; thence by the western boundary of section numbered

11 on the plan of the Maitai Valley; thence by the eastern boundaries of Block B in the Wakatu District; thence by the boundaries of sections numbered 1 and 4 on the plan of the Brook Street Valley; thence by the northern boundary of section numbered 7 on the plan of Brook Street Valley; thence by the northern boundary of sections numbered 12, 7, 6, 11, and part of 12 on the plan of Suburban South, to the Britannia Heights; thence by the eastern boundary of sections numbered 4 and 1 on the plan of Suburban South; thence by the northern boundary of the said section 1 to high watermark, Nelson Haven; thence by a line to the south-west angle of Fifeshire Island; and thence by the outer edge of the Boulder Bank to the Light-house. The said City is under the control and management of a Board of Works, granted by Act of the Provincial Council entitled "The Nelson Improvement Act, 1858," Session III., No. 3, amended by "The Nelson Improvement Amendment Act, 1858," Session V., No. 11, as set forth in the First Schedule of "The Municipal Corporations Act, 1867."

Your Petitioners therefore humbly pray that Your Excellency will be pleased to constitute the said City, as defined in the First Schedule of "The Municipal Corporations Act, 1867," a Borough under the said Act.

And your Petitioners will ever pray,  
&c.

	Value of last Assessment.	£
Harley Brothers	...	7,190
John Sharp	...	1,125
J. A. Harley	...	248
Charles McGee	...	2,530
J. R. Hooper	...	550
Hooper and Dodson	...	10,067
J. R. Dodson	...	615
Robt. Shallcrass	...	440
H. V. Phillips	...	1,065
John Nash	...	140
William Jennings	...	425
Albert Pitt	...	850
James C. Burford	...	670
W. Acton R. Adams	...	690
G. Naylor	...	363
William Rout	...	2,825
John Tregoe	...	2,784
Alfred Hibble	...	882
W. S. Good	...	1,190
E. G. Woolcott	...	250
Alfred B. Jackson	...	908
B. Ellery	...	1,247
A. W. Scaife	...	588
T. Asher	...	768
Geo. Collins	...	226
Henry Clouston	...	250
J. Hounsell	...	1,707
Joseph Webb	...	1,050
E. Buxton and Co.	...	4,228
Henry Buckridge	...	855
H. D. Jackson	...	1,318
H. J. L. Augarde	...	430
Thomas R. Fisher	...	1,638
William Evans	...	380
William Darby	...	984
John Thornton	...	3,310
T. S. Wymond and Co.	...	2,360
W. Thomson	...	292
Jno. Percy	...	180
R. Freeman	...	150
John R. Mabin	...	2,015

	Value of last Assessment.	£
R. Stepney Lucas	...	653
J. P. Cooke	...	575
G. W. Beer	...	325
W. Dement	...	408
W. E. Brown	...	608
James Watkins	...	2,300
James P. Black	...	3,162
M. Stanley	...	2,802
Charles Z. Fell	...	4,950
Moss Davis	...	384
Wm. Fletcher	...	702
Robt. Pollock	...	460
Donald McDonald	...	9,020
Henry Drew	...	916
C. Hunter Brown	...	1,680
Thos. Renwick	...	2,060
Wm. Elton	...	200
W. H. Pickering	...	250
Francis Trask	...	1,054
H. Davis	...	3,860
Henry Hounsett	...	2,478
George Thompson	...	3,000

I, Robert Burn, of the City of Nelson, in the Province of Nelson, in the Colony of New Zealand, Tinsmith, do solemnly and sincerely declare that all the signatures initialled by me with the letters marked R.B., affixed to the annexed Petition marked A., are the genuine signatures of the persons they purport to be, and that such persons are inhabitant householders of the city therein referred to; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of an Act of the General Assembly of New Zealand, intituled "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1866."

ROBT. BURN.

Made and declared this 19th day of November, 1873, before me,

JOHN SHARP,

A Justice of the Peace for the Colony of New Zealand.

Superintendent's Office,  
Nelson, 15th December, 1873.  
SIR,— In accordance with the provisions of the 22nd section of "The Municipal Corporations Act, 1867," I have the honor to inform you that I do not dissent from the prayer of the Petition forwarded to His Excellency the Governor by certain inhabitant householders of the City of Nelson, asking that the City of Nelson may be constituted a borough under the said Act.

I have, &c.,

OSWALD CURTIS,  
Superintendent.

The Hon. the Colonial Secretary,  
Wellington.

*Visiting Justices appointed.*

Department of Justice,  
Wellington, 5th January, 1874.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint

THOMAS CHEESEMAN, Esq., J.P., and  
BENJAMIN MACLEAN, Esq., J.P.,

to be Visiting Justices of the Prison at Auckland, under "The Prisons Act, 1873."

JOHN BATHGATE.

*Authority to Frank.*

General Post Office,  
Wellington, 10th January, 1874.

**HIS** Excellency the Governor has been pleased to authorize

The RESIDENT ENGINEER, Oamaru, to frank and receive, free from prepayment of postage, Letters or Packets posted on the Public Service.

EDWARD RICHARDSON,  
(in absence of the Postmaster-General).

*Tenders for 385,000 Railway Sleepers.*

Public Works Office,  
Wellington, 13th January, 1874.

**T**HE following list of successful and unsuccessful tenderers is published for general information.

EDWARD RICHARDSON.

WELLINGTON.

*Accepted.*

	Number.	Rate.
		s. d.
E. Jones, Auckland ... ..	13,000	3 6

GREYMOOUTH.

*Accepted.*

Maher and O'Connor, Greymouth ...	16,000	1 11
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*Declined.*

Hazel and White, Greymouth ... ..	16,000	2 1
T. W. Hungerford, Greymouth ... ..	16,000	2 6
Alex. Tawse and Co., Greymouth ... ..	16,000	2 9
Doutswaite and McConnor, Greymouth	16,000	2 9½
J. Hamilton, Greymouth ... ..	16,000	2 11
D. McMillan, Greymouth ... ..	16,000	3 0
E. B. Garven, Hokitika ... ..	16,000	3 2
Alex. Tawse, Greymouth ... ..	16,000	3 2
H. Francis, Greymouth ... ..	10,000	3 3
Wickes and Co., Greymouth ... ..	16,000	3 3
Kelly and Mullins, Greymouth ... ..	10,000	3 5
J. Copland, Auckland ... ..	16,000	4 1½

NELSON.

*Accepted.*

W. Page, Nelson ... ..	10,000	2 11
W. " " " " " " ... ..	14,000	2 11
H. T. Tunnicliffe, Wakefield ... ..	7,000	2 11
W. Sigglekow, Nelson ... ..	10,000	3 0

*Declined.*

W. Manson, Nelson ... ..	20,000	3 0
" " " " " " ... ..	40,000	3 0
J. Copland and Co., Auckland ... ..	41,000	3 9
H. T. Tunnicliffe, Wakefield ... ..	10,000	3 9½
H. Baigent, Nelson ... ..	12,000	3 11
Krull and Co., Wellington, (all jarrah)	41,000	4 3
H. T. Tunnicliffe, Wakefield ... ..	10,000	5 0

LYTTELTON.

*Accepted.*

E. C. Latter, Akaroa ... ..	67,000	3 0
H. Palmer, Auckland ... ..	45,000	3 4½
Krull and Co., Wellington, (all jarrah)	40,000	4 3
J. Lunden, Auckland ... ..	45,000	3 5
" " (large size) ... ..	31,000	4 5

*Declined.*

J. Lunden, Auckland, (part accepted) ...	145,000	3 5
E. C. Latter, Akaroa ... ..	33,500	3 6
" " " " " " ... ..	33,500	3 6
J. Copland and Co., Auckland ... ..	145,000	3 7½
J. Copland and Co., Auckland, (large), conditional ... ..	31,000	3 10½
C. Houghton, Dunedin ... ..	50,000	3 8
Bird and Co. ... ..	67,000	3 9
D. G. Holmes, Christchurch ... ..	20,000	4 0
P. Cunningham, Lyttelton ... ..	50,000	4 3
Krull and Co., Wellington, (all jarrah)	119,000	4 3
C. Houghton, Dunedin, (large) ... ..	31,000	5 5½
Krull and Co., Wellington, (large, all jarrah) ... ..	31,000	6 3

Number Rate.  
s. d.

OAMARU.

*Declined.*

J. Bruce, Waimate ... ..	29,000	3 6
J. Copland and Co., Auckland ... ..	29,000	3 10½
C. Houghton, Dunedin ... ..	18,000	4 7

PORT CHALMERS.

*Accepted.*

T. Pollock, Dunedin ... ..	10,000	3 3
Krull and Co., Wellington, (all jarrah)	46,000	4 3

*Declined.*

J. Allan, Balclutha, (informal) ... ..	2,000	2 11½
" " " " " " (informal) ... ..	8,000	2 10½
J. Copland and Co., Auckland ... ..	46,000	3 9
Krull and Co., Wellington, (all jarrah)	46,000	4 3

BLUFF OR INVERCARGILL.

*Declined.*

J. Murdoch, Invercargill ... ..	46,000	3 3
J. Copland and Co., Auckland ... ..	46,000	3 10½
A. J. Smythe, Oamaru ... ..	12,000	4 0
" " " " " " or	20,000	
Krull and Co., Wellington, (all jarrah) ...	46,000	4 3
T. Brown, Invercargill, (informal) ... ..		

TIMARU.

*Declined.*

J. Copland and Co., Auckland ... ..	18,000	3 10½
D. Proudfoot, Dunedin ... ..	385,000	4 0
If all ironbark or jarrah ... ..		4 9

*Duties payable under the Native Lands Act.*

Treasury,

Wellington, 6th January, 1874.

**P**ERSONS liable for the payment of duties under the Native Lands Act, are informed that under "The Native Lands Duties Act, 1873," a penalty of 10 per cent. per annum on the amount payable is leviable in respect of all duties not paid at the due date; and no transfer, lease, or other instrument in respect of which such duty is payable, is valid or effectual until the duty to which it is from time to time liable is paid.

WILLIAM H. REYNOLDS,

(in absence of the Colonial Treasurer).

NOTICES TO MARINERS.

No. 2 of 1874.

Customs Department (Marine Branch),  
Wellington, 10th January, 1874.

**T**HE following Notices to Mariners, received from the Portmaster, Brisbane, are published for general information.

WILLIAM H. REYNOLDS.

TEMPORARY LIGHT, FLAT TOP ISLAND, PIONEER RIVER.

ON and after this date, until further notice, a temporary Light will be exhibited from the Signal Station on Flat Top Island, at an elevation of 220 feet above the sea level. The Light, in fine weather, will be visible about 10 miles, except in a line with Round Top Island, when the Light will be obscured on a W.N.W. bearing, through an arc of less than a quarter of a point.

G. P. HEATH, Commander R.N.,  
Portmaster.

Department of Ports and Harbours,  
Brisbane, 20th December, 1873.

## REPORTED REEF, PRINCESS CHARLOTTE'S BAY.

Mr. J. M. McCourt, Master of the schooner "Wikengen," reports sighting, in the following position, a reef partially dry at low water:—

Jane Table Land ... S.E. southerly.  
Northernmost Flinders Island, E.N.E.

A depth of 7 and 8 fathoms was found close to on all sides.

G. P. HEATH, Commander R.N.,  
Portmaster.

Department of Ports and Harbours,  
Brisbane, 20th December, 1873.

## 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.

One-quarter of an acre in the Town of Picton, being Section 272 on the plan of the said town.—SCLANDERS and LOWE, Applicants. 134.

One-quarter of an acre in the Town of Blenheim, being Section 16 on the plan of the said town.—Edmund Eccles, Land Broker, for JOHN MURPHY and MILLS COLE, the Applicants. 135.

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

Diagrams may be inspected at this office.

Dated this 9th day of January, 1874, at the Lands Registry Office, Blenheim.

J. DEAN BAMFORD,  
District Land Registrar.

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## THE NATIONAL BANK OF NEW ZEALAND, LIMITED.

CAPITAL, TWO MILLIONS STERLING.

NOTICE is hereby given to Shareholders, that the Third Call of Ten Shillings per Share upon Shares on the Colonial Register will be due and payable on the 31st instant at the Bank in Auckland, Blenheim, Cardrona, Christchurch, Clutha Ferry, Coromandel, Dunedin, Grahamstown, Hamilton, Invercargill, Napier, Nelson, New Plymouth, Oamaru, Palmerston, Port Chalmers, Queenstown, Reefton, Riverton, Switzers, Tauranga, Taieri, Temuka, Timaru, Tokomairiro, Wanganui, and Wellington, or at the Branch of the Union Bank of Australia at Hokitika.

Notice is further given, that, by a Resolution of the Board of Directors dated 11th August last, a Call of One Pound per Share was made; the same will be payable at the before-named Branches, in two instalments of ten shillings each, viz.:—Ten Shillings on 1st April, 1874, and Ten Shillings on 1st July thereafter.

By order of the Board of Directors.

ADAM BURNES,

Inspector and General Manager.

Wellington, 15th December, 1873. 688

Imperial Hotel, Princes Street South,  
Dunedin, 7th January, 1873.

To the Registrar of Births, Deaths, and Marriages,  
for the District of Dunedin, in the Province of  
Otago, New Zealand.

I, GEORGE WILLIAM COLE, Licentiate of  
the Royal College of Physicians, Edinburgh;  
Licentiate of the Faculty of Physicians and Surgeons,  
Glasgow; Licentiate in Midwifery, Royal College,  
Edinburgh; Licentiate in Midwifery, Glasgow;

Honorary Member of Anderson's University Medical Society, Glasgow; now residing in Dunedin, do hereby give notice that I intend to apply to William Parker Street, the Registrar for the District of Dunedin, on the 19th February, 1874, 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 the office of the said Registrar in Dunedin, for public inspection, in terms of "The Medical Practitioners Registration Act, 1869."

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GEORGE WILLIAM COLE.

NOTICE is hereby given, that the interest and responsibility of Mr. GEORGE McLEAN in the Copartnership heretofore subsisting between the undersigned, under the style of "Cargills and McLean," has ceased, through the retirement of the said George McLean from the said Copartnership. The business of the said firm will henceforth be carried on, under the same style, by Messrs. John Cargill and Edward Bowes Cargill.

Dated at Dunedin, the 10th day of December, 1873.

J. CARGILL.

E. B. CARGILL.

GEORGE McLEAN, by his Attorney  
MATHEW HOLMES.

Witness to the signatures of the said John Cargill, Edward Bowes Cargill, and George McLean by his Attorney Mathew Holmes,—A. Holmes, Solicitor, Dunedin. 697

NOTICE is hereby given, that the Partnership hitherto carried on by the undersigned in Auckland, under the style or firm of "Combes and Daldy," has been this day dissolved by mutual consent.

All accounts due to or by the late firm will be received or paid by the undersigned, William Crush Daldy.

Dated this 31st day of December, 1873.

ELEANOR SARAH COMBES.

WILLIAM CRUSH DALDY.

Witness to signatures—F. Combes.

WITH reference to the above, notice is hereby given, that the business heretofore carried on by the above firm will for the future be carried on by the undersigned, under the style or firm of "Combes and Daldy."

WILLIAM C. DALDY.

W. C. DALDY, jun.

Witness to signatures—F. Combes. 86

STATEMENT of the Affairs of "The El Dorado Gold Mining Company, Registered," for the half-year ended 30th November, 1873, in accordance with section 135 of "The Mining Companies Act, 1872."

Name of Company: "The El Dorado Gold Mining Company, Registered."

When formed, and date of registration: 28th July, 1869.

Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Shortland Street, Auckland; F. A. White.

Nominal capital: £27,000, in 5,400 shares at £5 each.

Amount of paid-up scrip given to shareholders: None fully paid up.

Number of shares in which capital is divided: 5,400.

Number of shares taken: 4,242.

Amount of calls made: £511.

Total amount of subscribed capital paid up: £26,402.

Number of shareholders at time of registration of Company: 16.

Amount of cash in hand: Nil.

Whether in operation or not: Yes.

Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.

Number of shares unallotted: 1,158.

17th December, 1873.

F. A. WHITE,  
Manager.

80

**S**TATEMENT of the Affairs of "The New Caledonia Gold Mining Company, Registered," for the half-year ended 16th December, 1873, in accordance with section 135 of "The Mining Companies Act, 1872."

Name of Company: "The New Caledonia Gold Mining Company, Registered."

When formed, and date of registration: Formed, 22nd August, 1871; Registered, 28th August, 1871.

Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Brown Street, Grahamstown; F. Woodward.

Nominal capital: £7,200.

Amount of paid-up scrip given to shareholders: £2,400.

Number of shares in which capital is divided: 2,400.

Number of shares taken: 2,400.

Amount of calls made: £420.

Total amount of subscribed capital paid up: £2,820.

Number of shareholders at time of registration of Company: 15.

Amount of cash in hand: £6 17s. 9d.

Whether in operation or not: Yes.

Total amount of dividends declared: £64.

Number of shares unallotted: 1,120 forfeited shares.

16th December, 1873.

F. WOODWARD,  
Manager.

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**S**TATEMENT of the Affairs of "The Red Queen Gold Mining Company, Registered," for the half-year ending 13th December, 1873, in accordance with section 135 of "The Mining Companies Act, 1872."

Name of Company: "The Red Queen Gold Mining Company, Registered."

When formed, and date of registration: 6th August, 1869;

Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Vail's Buildings, Wyndham Street, Auckland; Henry Nelson Garland.

Nominal capital: £24,000.

Amount of paid-up scrip given to shareholders: £18,000.

Number of shares in which capital is divided: 24,000.

Number of shares taken: 24,000.

Amount of calls made during half-year: £592 5s.

Total amount of subscribed capital paid up: £4,730 2s.

Number of shareholders at time of registration of Company: 22.

Amount of cash in hand: £157 0s. 5d.

Whether in operation or not: In operation.

Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.

Number of shares unallotted: None.

13th December, 1873.

H. N. GARLAND,  
Manager.

714

**S**TATEMENT of the Affairs of "The Perseverance Mining Company, Registered," for the half-year ending December, 1873, in accordance with section 135 of "The Mining Companies Act, 1872."

Name of Company: "The Perseverance Mining Company, Registered."

When formed, and date of registration: Formed, 15th January, 1870; Registered, 9th June, 1870.

Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Nelson; John Row Mabin.

Nominal capital: £20,000.

Amount of paid-up scrip given to shareholders: £8,400.

Number of shares in which capital is divided: 4,000.

Number of shares taken: All.

Amount of deposit and calls made: £9,390.

Total amount of subscribed capital paid up: £9,185 10s.

Number of shareholders at time of registration of Company: 504.

Amount of cash in hand: None.

Whether in operation or not: In operation.

Total amount of dividends declared: None.

Number of shares unallotted: None.

Nelson, Dec. 1873.

JOHN R. MABIN,  
Manager.

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**S**TATEMENT of the Affairs of "The Von Tempsky Gold Mining Company, Registered," for the half-year ended 24th December, 1873, in accordance with section 135 of "The Mining Companies Act, 1872."

Name of Company: "The Von Tempsky Gold Mining Company, Registered."

When formed, and date of registration: 5th March, 1872.

Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: 46, Queen Street; James C. Davies.

Nominal capital: £10,000.

Amount of paid-up scrip given to shareholders: Nil.

Number of shares in which capital is divided: 10,000.

Number of shares taken: 10,000.

Amount of calls made: £831 13s.

Total amount of subscribed capital paid up: £665 4s. 10d.

Number of shareholders at time of registration of Company: 7.

Amount of cash in hand: £4 10s.

Whether in operation or not: Not in operation.

Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.

Number of shares unallotted: 2,068 forfeited.

24th December, 1873.

JAMES C. DAVIES,  
Manager.

3

**S**TATEMENT of the Affairs of "The Middle Star Gold Mining Company, Registered," for the half-year ended 1st December, 1873, in accordance with section 135 of "The Mining Companies Act, 1872."

Name of Company: "The Middle Star Gold Mining Company, Registered."

When formed, and date of registration: 30th June, 1869; 3rd July, 1869.

Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: 15, Shortland Street; Geo. Wm. Jones.

Nominal capital: £43,200.

Amount of paid-up scrip given to shareholders: £36,000.

Number of shares in which capital is divided: 2,880.

Number of shares taken: 2,870.

Amount of calls made: £4,827 10s.

Total amount of subscribed capital paid up: £4,546.

Number of shareholders at time of registration of Company: 14.

Amount of cash in hand: £510 4s. 8d.

Whether in operation or not: In operation.

Total amount of dividends declared: £360.

Number of shares unallotted: 10.

22nd December, 1873.

GEO. WM. JONES,  
Manager.

5

**S**TATEMENT of the Affairs of "The Otago Gold Mining Company, Registered," for the half-year ended 30th November, 1873, in accordance with section 135 of "The Mining Companies Act, 1872."

Name of Company: "The Otago Gold Mining Company, Registered."

When formed and date of registration: 30th July, 1869. Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: No. 30, Insurance Buildings, Auckland.

Nominal capital: £36,000.

Amount of paid-up scrip given to shareholders: £28,800.

Number of shares in which capital is divided: 7,200.

Number of shares taken: 7,200.

Amount of calls made during half-year: Nil.

Total amount of subscribed capital paid up: £5,382 19s.

Number of shareholders at time of registration of Company: 9.

Amount of cash in hand: £336 0s. 4d.

Whether in operation or not: In operation.

Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.

Number of shares unallotted: 48 forfeited shares held by Company.

23rd December, 1873.

G. R. BRETON,  
p. Wm. Flood,  
Manager.

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**S**TATEMENT of the Affairs of "The Waitemata Gold Mining Company, Registered," for the half-year ended 15th December, 1873, in accordance with section 135 of "The Mining Companies Act, 1872."

Name of Company: "The Waitemata Gold Mining Company, Registered."

When formed, and date of registration: 13th August, 1869. Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Brown Street, Grahamstown; Richd. Hudson, Legal Manager.

Nominal capital: £33,350.

Amount of paid-up scrip given to shareholders: £30,848 7s. 6d.

Number of shares in which capital is divided: 6,670.

Number of shares taken: 6,670.

Amount of calls made: £2,501 12s. 6d.

Total amount of subscribed capital paid up: £33,350.

Number of shareholders at time of registration of Company: 15.

Amount of cash in hand: £392 3s. 8d.

Whether in operation or not: In operation.

Total amount of dividends declared: £571 5s.

Number of shares unallotted: Nil.

23rd December, 1873.

RICHD. HUDSON,  
Manager.

7

**STATEMENT of the Affairs of "The Una Quartz Crushing and Gold Mining Company, Registered," for the half-year ended December, 1873, in accordance with section 135 of "The Mining Companies Act, 1872."**

Name of Company: "The Una Quartz Crushing and Gold Mining Company, Registered."  
When formed, and date of registration: Formed, August, 1869; Registration certificate dated 4th September, 1869.  
Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Karaka Creek, Shortland; Fred. F. Day, Legal Manager.  
Nominal capital: £75,000.  
Amount of paid-up scrip given to shareholders: Nil.  
Number of shares in which capital is divided: 15,000.  
Number of shares taken: 15,000.  
Amount of calls made: Nil.  
Total amount of subscribed capital paid up: £69,375.  
Number of shareholders at time of registration of Company: 28.  
Amount of cash in hand: £594 14s. 9d.  
Whether in operation or not: In operation.  
Total amount of dividends declared: £750 for half-year ending December, 1873; Total paid, £6,750.  
Number of shares unallotted: Nil.  
24th December, 1873. FRED. F. DAY,  
Manager.

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**STATEMENT of the Affairs of "The Phoenix Quartz Gold Mining Company, Registered," for the half-year ended 31st December, 1873, in accordance with section 135 of "The Mining Companies Act, 1872."**

Name of Company: "The Phoenix Quartz Gold Mining Company, Registered."  
When formed, and date of registration: Formed, 2nd March, 1872; Registered, 5th March, 1872.  
Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Kelly's Line of Reef, Murray Creek, Province of Nelson; Patrick Brennan, Reefton.  
Nominal capital: £16,000.  
Amount of paid-up scrip given to shareholders: £12,000.  
Number of shares in which capital is divided: 8,000.  
Number of shares taken: 8,000.  
Amount of calls made: £733 6s. 8d.  
Total amount of subscribed capital paid up: £12,675 16s. 8d.  
Number of shareholders at time of registration of Company: 12.  
Amount of cash in hand: Nil.  
Whether in operation or not: Not.  
Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.  
Number of shares unallotted: 6,525 shares forfeited to Company for non-payment of calls.  
31st December, 1873. PATRICK BRENNAN,  
Manager.

22

**STATEMENT of the Affairs of "The Wealth of Nations Quartz Mining Company, Registered," for the half-year ended 31st December, 1873, in accordance with section 135 of "The Mining Companies Act, 1872."**

Name of Company: "The Wealth of Nations Quartz Mining Company, Registered."  
When formed, and date of registration: Formed, 12th February, 1872; Registered, 13th February, 1873.  
Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Smith's Creek, Inangahua, Province of Nelson; Patrick Brennan, Reefton.  
Nominal capital: £32,500.  
Amount of paid-up scrip given to shareholders: £16,250.  
Number of shares in which capital is divided: 6,500.  
Number of shares taken: 6,500.  
Amount of calls made: £3,250.  
Total amount of subscribed capital paid up: £19,500.  
Number of shareholders at time of registration of Company: 9.  
Amount of cash in hand: Nil.  
Whether in operation or not: In operation.  
Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.  
Number of shares unallotted: Nil.  
31st December, 1873. PATRICK BRENNAN,  
Manager.

23

**STATEMENT of the Affairs of "The Fiery Cross Quartz Mining Company, Limited," for the half-year ended 31st December, 1873, in accordance with section 135 of "The Mining Companies Act, 1872."**

Name of Company: "The Fiery Cross Quartz Mining Company, Limited."  
When formed, and date of registration: Formed, 29th July, 1873; Registered, 4th September, 1873.  
Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Caples Creek, Boatman's, in the Province of Nelson; Patrick Brennan, Reefton.  
Nominal capital: £15,000.  
Amount of paid-up scrip given to shareholders: £9,000.  
Number of shares in which capital is divided: 12,000.  
Number of shares taken: 12,000.  
Amount of calls made: Nil.  
Total amount of subscribed capital paid up: £9,000.  
Number of shareholders at time of registration of Company: 26.  
Amount of cash in hand: £199 11s. 8d.  
Whether in operation or not: In operation.  
Total amount of dividends declared: £600.  
Number of shares unallotted: Nil.

31st December, 1873. PATRICK BRENNAN,  
24 Manager.

**STATEMENT of the Affairs of "The Vulcan Quartz Mining Company, Registered," for the half-year ended 31st December, 1873, in accordance with section 135 of "The Mining Companies Act, 1872."**

Name of Company: "The Vulcan Quartz Mining Company, Registered."  
When formed, and date of registration: Formed, 13th July, 1872; Registered, 14th September, 1872.  
Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: No. 2 South Adam Smith's Line of Reef, known as "The Vulcan," Province of Nelson; Patrick Brennan, Reefton.  
Nominal capital: £16,000.  
Amount of paid-up scrip given to shareholders: £8,000.  
Number of shares in which capital is divided: 16,000.  
Number of shares taken: 16,000.  
Amount of calls made: £300.  
Total amount of subscribed capital paid up: £8,300.  
Number of shareholders at time of registration of Company: 14.  
Amount of cash in hand: Nil.  
Whether in operation or not: Not.  
Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.  
Number of shares unallotted: Nil.

31st December, 1873. PATRICK BRENNAN,  
25 Manager.

**STATEMENT of the Affairs of "The Golden Fleece Gold Mining Company, Registered," for the half-year ended 31st December, 1873, in accordance with section 135 of "The Mining Companies Act, 1872."**

Name of Company: "The Golden Fleece Gold Mining Company, Registered."  
When formed, and date of registration: Formed, 25th July, 1872; Registered, 13th August, 1872.  
Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: No. 1 North, on Shiels's Line of Reef (known as Paddy Hunt's Claim), near Murray Creek, in the Province of Nelson; Patrick Brennan, Reefton.  
Nominal capital: £24,000.  
Amount of paid-up scrip given to shareholders: £15,000.  
Number of shares in which capital is divided: 24,000.  
Number of shares taken: 24,000.  
Amount of calls made: £500.  
Total amount of subscribed capital paid up: £15,500.  
Number of shareholders at time of registration of Company: 13.  
Amount of cash in hand: Nil.  
Whether in operation or not: In operation.  
Total amount of dividends declared: £8,600.  
Number of shares unallotted: Nil.

31st December, 1873. PATRICK BRENNAN,  
26 Manager.

**STATEMENT of the Affairs of "The Nolan's Candlelight No. 1 Gold Mining Company, Registered," for the half-year ended 30th November, 1873, in accordance with section 135 of "The Mining Companies Act, 1872."**

Name of Company: "Nolan's Candlelight No. 1 Gold Mining Company, Registered."  
When formed, and date of registration: 8th September, 1869.  
Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Shortland Street, Auckland; F. A. White.  
Nominal capital: £18,000, in 3,600 shares at £5 each.



Amount of paid-up scrip given to shareholders: None fully paid up.  
 Number of shares in which capital is divided: 3,600.  
 Number of shares taken: 2,390.  
 Amount of calls made: Nil.  
 Total amount of subscribed capital paid up: £15,300.  
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of Company: 9.  
 Amount of cash in hand: £35 16s. 10d.  
 Whether in operation or not: Yes.  
 Total amount of dividends declared: £59 15s.  
 Number of shares unallotted: 1,210.

17th December, 1873. F. A. WHITE,  
 27 Manager.

**S**TATEMENT of the Affairs of "The Moanatairi Gold Mining Company, Registered," for the half-year ended 30th November, 1873, in accordance with section 135 of "The Mining Companies Act, 1872."

Name of Company: "The Moanatairi Gold Mining Company, Registered."  
 When formed, and date of registration: 18th June, 1868.  
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Shortland Street, Auckland; F. A. White.  
 Nominal capital: £135,000, in 13,500 shares of £10 each.  
 Amount of paid-up scrip given to shareholders: None fully paid up.  
 Number of shares in which capital is divided: 13,500.  
 Number of shares taken: 13,485.  
 Amount of calls made: Nil.  
 Total amount of subscribed capital paid up: £131,625.  
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of Company: 7.  
 Amount of cash in hand: Nil.  
 Whether in operation or not: Yes.  
 Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.  
 Number of shares unallotted: 15.

17th December, 1873. F. A. WHITE,  
 28 Manager.

**S**TATEMENT of the Affairs of "The Moanatairi Union Gold Mining Company, Registered," for the half-year ended 30th November, 1873, in accordance with section 135 of "The Mining Companies Act, 1872."

Name of Company: "The Moanatairi Union Gold Mining Company, Registered."  
 When formed, and date of registration: 13th March, 1871.  
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Shortland Street, Auckland; F. A. White.  
 Nominal capital: £3,360, in 3,360 shares at £1 each.  
 Amount of paid-up scrip given to shareholders: None fully paid up.  
 Number of shares in which capital is divided: 3,360.  
 Number of shares taken: 2,481.  
 Amount of calls made: Nil.  
 Total amount of subscribed capital paid up: £2,260 7s.  
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of Company: 17.  
 Amount of cash in hand: £1 16s. 11d.  
 Whether in operation or not: Yes.  
 Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.  
 Number of shares unallotted: 879.

17th December, 1873. F. A. WHITE,  
 29 Manager.

**S**TATEMENT of the Affairs of "The Oriana Gold Mining Company, Registered," for the half-year ended December, 1873, in accordance with section 135 of "The Mining Companies Act, 1872."

Name of Company: "The Oriana Gold Mining Company, Registered."  
 When formed, and date of registration: 11th April, 1872.  
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Auckland; Robert Horne.  
 Nominal capital: £10,000.  
 Amount of paid-up scrip given to shareholders: Nil.  
 Number of shares in which capital is divided: 10,000.  
 Number of shares taken: All.  
 Amount of calls made: £250.  
 Total amount of subscribed capital paid up: £5,000.  
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of Company: 20.

Amount of cash in hand: £50.  
 Whether in operation or not: In operation.  
 Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.  
 Number of shares unallotted: Nil.

30th December, 1873. ROBERT HORNE,  
 31 Manager.

**S**TATEMENT of the Affairs of "The Nil Desperandum Gold Mining Company, Registered," for the half-year ended December, 1873, in accordance with section 135 of "The Mining Companies Act, 1872."

Name of Company: "The Nil Desperandum Gold Mining Company, Registered."  
 When formed, and date of registration: 6th August, 1869.  
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Auckland; Robert Horne.  
 Nominal capital: £30,000.  
 Amount of paid-up scrip given to shareholders: Nil.  
 Number of shares in which capital is divided: 6,000.  
 Number of shares taken: 5,925.  
 Amount of calls made: £2,250.  
 Total amount of subscribed capital paid up: £4,650.  
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of Company: 1.  
 Amount of cash in hand: Nil.  
 Whether in operation or not: In operation.  
 Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.  
 Number of shares unallotted: 75.

20th December, 1873. ROBERT HORNE,  
 32 Manager.

**S**TATEMENT of the Affairs of "The White Rose Gold Mining Company, Registered," for the half-year ended December, 1873, in accordance with section 135 of "The Mining Companies Act, 1872."

Name of Company: "The White Rose Gold Mining Company, Registered."  
 When formed, and date of registration: 24th June, 1872.  
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Auckland; Robert Horne.  
 Nominal capital: £8,500.  
 Amount of paid-up scrip given to shareholders: Nil.  
 Number of shares in which capital is divided: 8,500.  
 Number of shares taken: 8,000.  
 Amount of calls made: £1,250.  
 Total amount of subscribed capital paid up: £1,250.  
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of Company: 16.  
 Amount of cash in hand: £5.  
 Whether in operation or not: In operation.  
 Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.  
 Number of shares unallotted: 500.

20th December, 1873. ROBERT HORNE,  
 34 Manager.

**H**ALF-YEARLY Statement of "The Totara and Jones' Creek Amalgamated Water Race Company, Registered," in accordance with section 135 of "The Mining Companies Act, 1872."

Name of Company: "The Totara and Jones' Creek Amalgamated Water Race Company, Registered."  
 When formed, and date of registration: 26th August, 1866; 7th September, 1866.  
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Ross, Totara District, Province of Westland; Camille Malfroy.  
 Nominal capital: £12,800.  
 Amount of paid-up scrip given to shareholders: £8,400; being estimated value of the two races at the time of the amalgamation (26th August, 1866).  
 Number of shares in which capital is divided: 1,280.  
 Number of shares taken: 1,280.  
 Amount of calls made: None.  
 Total amount of subscribed capital paid up: £12,800, as under—  
 Paid-up scrip given to shareholders as above, £8,400; amount paid out of proceed of races in extension, improvement, and in purchase of other races, £4,400; £12,800.  
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of Company: 17.  
 Amount of cash in hand: Nil.  
 Whether in operation or not: In operation.  
 Total amount of dividends declared: £10,615.  
 Number of shares unallotted: None.

20th December, 1873. CAMILLE MALFROY,  
 35 Manager.

## ABSTRACT of METEOROLOGICAL OBSERVATIONS, New Zealand, for the Month of OCTOBER, 1873.

STATIONS.	BAROMETER. Corrected and Reduced to Sea Level.		TEMPERATURE FROM SELF-REGISTERING INSTRUMENTS, READ IN MORNING FOR TWENTY-FOUR HOURS PREVIOUSLY.					COMPUTED FROM OBSERVATIONS.		RAIN.		WIND.		LOUD.
	Mean Reading	Extr'me Range.	Mean Temp. in Shade.	Mean Daily Range of Temp.	Extr'me Range of Temp.	Max. Temp. in Sun's Rays.	Min. Temp. on Grass.	Mean Elastic Force of Vapour.	Mean Deg. of Moist. (Satura- tion =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).
<b>MONGONUI</b> ... .. Same month previous 7 years	29-857 29-973	1-210 ...	58-9 58-5	15-8 ...	35-0 ...	154-0 ...	...	407 397	82 77	6-940 2-987	13 15	206 672, 6th	6-0	
<b>AUCKLAND</b> ... .. Same month previous 9 years	29-882 29-931	882 ...	56-8 57-7	13-6 ...	32-0 ...	143-0 ...	19-2 ...	380 377	83 78	4-820 2-762	15 16	330 625, 30th	7-5	
<b>TARANAKI</b> ... .. Same month previous 9 years	29-853 29-983	1-060 ...	56-8 55-4	15-6 ...	37-0 ...	162-0 ...	33-0 ...	...	...	4-670 5-780	18 18	229 510, 3rd	7-6	
<b>NAPIER</b> ... .. Same month previous 6 years	29-829 29-932	960 ...	57-4 58-8	18-1 ...	40-0 ...	134-0 ...	33-0 ...	354 347	75 70	3-320 1-640	17 7	214 534, 1st	3-0	
<b>WELLINGTON</b> ... .. Same month previous 9 years	29-821 29-838	1-101 ...	54-4 54-0	12-3 ...	38-0 ...	121-0 ...	28-0 ...	334 310	80 73	5-560 4-729	14 13	217 555, 24th	5-3	
<b>*WANGANUI</b> ... .. Same month previous year	29-920 30-160	1-060 ...	56-1 52-5	18-7 ...	41-0 ...	130-0 ...	35-0 ...	345 289	76 75	3-780 3-550	13 10	247 500, 1st	5-0	
<b>NELSON</b> ... .. Same month previous 9 years	29-758 29-892	1-078 ...	56-3 54-8	23-2 ...	42-0 ...	152-0 ...	...	352 354	76 75	3-580 4-958	9 8	111 385, 27th	4-6	
<b>CHRISTCHURCH</b> ... .. Same month previous 9 years	29-768 29-791	1-098 ...	54-3 53-2	17-8 ...	50-5 ...	151-0 ...	20-7 ...	321 309	76 72	1-050 1-826	9 10	145 424, 30th	5-2	
<b>*BEALEY</b> ... .. Same month previous 5 years	29-590 29-721	940 ...	48-8 46-4	18-6 ...	57-2 ...	136-0 ...	—2 ...	271 250	79 80	3-810 12-812	16 17	187 403, 24th	5-5	
<b>HOKITIKA</b> ... .. Same month previous 7 years	29-821 29-897	1-134 ...	53-5 51-9	12-2 ...	32-8 ...	88-5 ...	29-0 ...	344 351	83 88	6-330 12-704	16 19	191 357, 31st	4-0	
<b>DUNEDIN</b> ... .. Same month previous 9 years	29-576 29-794	894 ...	53-0 50-6	17-4 ...	42-0 ...	140-0 ...	27-0 ...	279 266	69 70	2-434 2-291	12 15	156 515, 3rd	5-8	
<b>*QUEENSTOWN</b> ... .. Same month previous year	29-920 30-004	860 ...	52-5 50-6	17-3 ...	35-9 ...	149-7 ...	31-2 ...	246 218	64 80	1-200 3-560	12 13	143 287, 30th	6-6	
<b>SOUTHLAND</b> ... .. Same month previous 8 years	29-730 29-700	650 ...	51-0 50-1	20-0 ...	47-0 ...	144-0 ...	...	255 255	68 70	2-140 3-721	14 17	239 580, 24th	7-0	

\* Altitude of Bealey, 2,104 feet; Queenstown, 1,070 feet. The stations marked thus \* are furnished with Aneroid barometers only.

## NOTES FOR OCTOBER, 1873.

- Mongonui.**—Very wet and unsettled up to the 17th, with westerly winds; stormy on 6th, 8th, 9th, and 15th, and frequent thunder; fine from 17th to 27th; remainder of the month wet; hail on 2nd, 3rd, and 16th; maximum rainfall recorded on 6th, 1-36 inch for previous twenty-four hours; prevailing westerly winds. Maximum temperature in shade, 78°; minimum, 43°.
- Auckland.**—Broken weather, with heavy rain, from 1st to 11th; S.W. gale on 2nd and 3rd, with much rain; gale from N.E. on 6th, with 900 inch of rain, the maximum fall for month; light, pleasant, warm weather from 12th to 27th; fierce gale from N.E. on 27th, changing to N.W. on 29th and 30th, with heavy driving rain; 625 miles of wind registered on 30th; low barometer throughout the month; changeable winds. Maximum temperature, 73-3°; minimum, 41-3°.
- Taranaki.**—Showery during early and latter part of month, but on the whole pleasant weather, and moderate winds prevailing from westward; squally on 1st and 2nd, S.W., with rain and thunder and hail on 2nd; maximum rain occurred on 1st, 89 inch. Maximum temperature, 75°; minimum, 38°.
- Napier.**—Wet and disagreeable generally, with an occasional fine day; sudden changes in temperature; wind prevailed from N.E.; on 1st strong from N.W., and on 29th from N., with rain; maximum rain on 10th, 1-31 inch. Maximum temperature, 76°; minimum, 36°.
- Wellington.**—Frequently fine bright clear weather during the month, but wind at times very strong from N.W., especially on 13th, 23rd, 24th, and 27th, unaccompanied by rain, except a slight shower on the 24th; rainfall rather above the average, the maximum occurring on the 8th, 1-38 inch for previous twenty-four hours; on the 28th barometer commenced to fall rapidly, N.E. wind, very oppressive, very heavy rain in afternoon, and at night wind N.W.; continued rain on 29th, wind changing to S.E. and colder, barometer fell to 29-03; rose on 30th, and brought fine bright weather, cool breeze; hail occurred on the 2nd; earthquake reported on the 15th, at midnight. Maximum temperature in shade, 74°; minimum, 36°.
- Wanganui.**—Set in wet and stormy from N.W., and continued for ten days, after which it held fine until the close, when the barometer fell to 29-1°, and sky overcast and threatening, but storm did not reach this station; from heavy sea it appeared to have raged with violence to the northward; prevailing N.W. wind, and maximum rain occurred on 1st, 66 inch. Maximum temperature, 77°; minimum, 36°.
- Nelson.**—Generally fine pleasant weather, with moderate wind, very hot at times; showers in beginning and latter part of month; maximum fall recorded on 29th, 1-76 inch; a westerly gale on 27th, and heavy rain on night of 28th; barometer 28-95° on 29th, and rain, but light wind; prevailing westerly winds. Maximum temperature, 74°; minimum, 32°.
- Christchurch.**—Showery at commencement and end of month, but on the whole very fine weather prevailed, with light wind, chiefly from N.E., S.W., and N.W.; maximum rainfall on 8th, 44 inch; S.W. gale during night of 29th, but only slight rain; snow fell on 2nd, and sleet on 3rd; some very cold nights. Maximum temperature, 83°; minimum, 32-5° in shade.
- Bealey.**—Showery up to 9th; wind N.W. and N.E., and strong on 4th; remainder of month tolerably fine, at times showers; maximum rainfall recorded on 25th, 620 inch; wind prevailed from N.E. and N.W.; snow fell on 1st and 2nd; hail on 2nd. Maximum temperature in shade, 72°; minimum, 14-8°.
- Hokitika.**—Fine for time of year; rainfall below average, though frequently showery; maximum fall recorded on 1st, 1-06 inch; winds prevailed from N. and S.W.; heavy squalls of wind on night of 1st, S.W., with rain; on 14th strong N.W. wind and rain; on 25th strong squalls from N.W., with rain, and on 31st stiff S.W. breeze, no rain; thunder on 2nd, fog on 17th. Maximum temperature, 65-7°; minimum, 32-9° in shade.
- Dunedin.**—Frequent showers, but no heavy falls of rain, the maximum on 20th, 73 inch; winds changeable; strong from S.W. on 2nd, with rain; snow on 3rd, hail on 2nd, and fog on 6th; low barometer generally. Maximum temperature, 75°; minimum, 33°.
- Queenstown.**—Changeable, but on the whole fine spring weather; frequent showers occurred, succeeded by warm pleasant days; maximum fall recorded on 29th, 44 inch; winds prevailed from N.W.; strong N.W. wind on 13th, and rain; and on 29th stormy, from S.E., and cold; snow on 2nd and 3rd, hail on 2nd. Maximum temperature, 69-5°; minimum, 33-6°.
- Southland.**—Fine, but very windy, especially between 19th and end of month; westerly, on 24th it blew violently from S.W., without rain; maximum rainfall recorded on 14th, 47 inch; wind prevailed from S.W. and N.W.; thunder on 22nd; hail on 2nd. Maximum temperature, 73°; minimum, 26° in the shade.

## GENERAL REMARKS.

Occasionally stormy rough weather, but on the whole seasonable. In the North rain was in excess, and in the South considerably less than the average. The atmospheric pressure low throughout, and temperature about the average. Earthquakes reported: At Wanganui, 18th, 4 a.m., slight; Nelson, 18th, 2.20 a.m., smart; Patea, 18th, between 2 and 4 a.m., sharp; Akaroa, 11.30 a.m., 23rd, slight.

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