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**NEW ZEALAND GAZETTE.**

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*Letters of Naturalization granted.*

Colonial Secretary's Office,  
Wellington, 10th June, 1874.

**H**IS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to issue Letters of Naturalization under "The Aliens Act, 1866," in favour of the under-mentioned persons, viz.,—

Name.	Occupation.	Residence.
H. F. W. Nees ...	Cabinetmaker ...	Dunedin.
Diederich Papen ...	Sheep Farmer ...	Chatham Islands.
E. L. Christenson ...	Carpenter ...	Temuka.
August Bremer ...	Labourer ...	Palmerston South.
Harris Friedlich ...	Hotelkeeper ...	Dunedin.
Jacob Karalus ...	Master Mariner ...	Lyttelton.

WILLIAM H. REYNOLDS.

*Registrar of Marriages, &c., appointed.*

Colonial Secretary's Office,  
Wellington, 10th June, 1874.

**H**IS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint

JOSEPH FOORD WILSON, Esq.,

to be Registrar of Marriages, and of Births, Deaths, and Marriages, and also Vaccination Inspector, for the District of Motueka, as the same is defined in Proclamation of the 8th day of May, 1873, and published in the *New Zealand Gazette*, No. 28, of the 9th of May, 1873.

WILLIAM H. REYNOLDS.

*Increase in the Rate of Interest on Deposits in the Post Office Savings Bank.*

**N**OTICE is hereby given, that after the 30th day of June instant, the interest allowed on every complete pound deposited in the Post Office Savings Bank will be increased from 4 to 4½ per centum per annum on sums not exceeding £200, and from 3 to 4

per centum per annum on sums over £200, and in the same proportion for any shorter time: Provided that no interest shall be allowed on sums over £500.

JULIUS VOGEL,  
Colonial Treasurer.

Treasury,  
Wellington, 9th June, 1874.

*Members of Immigration Commission appointed.*

Immigration Office,  
Wellington, 10th June, 1874.

**I**T is hereby notified for public 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:—

*Timaru.*

PETER MACINTYRE, Esq., M.B. and Mast. Surg.  
BELFIELD WOOLLCOMBE, Esq., R.M.  
FREDERICK LE CREN, Esq., Immigration Officer.  
JULIUS VOGEL.

*Revocation of Appointment of Bonded Warehouses.*

**C**USTOMS.—In exercise of the authority in me for this purpose vested, I, William Hunter Reynolds, the Commissioner of Customs, do, by this order under my hand, revoke and annul the appointment of the under-mentioned buildings as Warehouses for the reception and security of goods entered to be warehoused without payment of duty upon the first entry thereof, viz.,—

*Port of Wanganui.*

A wooden building situate on Taupo Quay, lately in the occupation of Mr. William Finnimore, and known as

OWEN'S BOND.

*Port of Napier.*

A building situate on Section No. 512, in Waghorn Street, and known as

STUART AND CO.'S BOND.

*Port of Nelson.*

A building situate on the south side of the Haven Road, and known as

## SCLANDERS' BOND.

*Port of Greymouth.*

Part of a wood and iron building situate on the north bank of the Lagoon in the Town of Greymouth, and known as

## KENNEDY BROTHERS' BOND.

*Port of Lyttelton.*

A two-storied stone building situate in Oxford Terrace West, between Hereford and Cashel Streets, and on part of Christchurch Town Section No. 860, and known as

## WALTER WARNER AND Co.'s BOND.

Given under my hand, at Wellington, this eighth day of June, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-four.

WILLIAM H. REYNOLDS,  
Commissioner of Customs.

Commissioner's Order No. 68.]

*Approving and appointing Bonded Warehouses.*

**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 approve and appoint the under-mentioned Warehouses, viz.,—

*Port of New Plymouth.*

The cellar below and portion of wooden building in rear of the business premises of Mr. F. U. Gledhill, situate in Brougham Street, and known as

## GLEDHILL'S BOND.

The ground floor of the wooden building known as the Foresters' Hall, situated in Brougham Street, and known as

## HUMPHRIES' BOND.

*Port of Wellington.*

Part of the basement of a building of wood and iron situate at the corner of Grey and Featherston Streets, in the occupation of Messrs. Joseph Nathan and Co., and known as

## NATHAN'S BOND.

*Port of Napier.*

A concrete building with iron roof situate on portions of Sections 519 and 520, Spit, Napier, having an entrance opening into Waghorn Street, and known as

## KINROSS AND Co.'s BOND.

*Port of Dunedin.*

The cellar under the stone building situate at the corner of Rattray and Castle Streets, Dunedin, to be known as

## THE OTAGO BOND.

The stone cellar under the Dunedin University, occupied by Messrs. Lange and Thoneman, and having an entrance from Bond Street, to be known as

## THE UNIVERSITY BOND,

—to be Warehouses for the reception of Goods under Bond.

Given under my hand, at Wellington, this eighth day of June, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-four.

WILLIAM H. REYNOLDS,  
Commissioner of Customs.

Commissioner's Order No. 69.]

*Examination Sheds appointed.*

**CUSTOMS.**—In exercise of the powers in me for this purpose vested by "The Customs Regula-

tion Act Amendment Act, 1868," I, the Commissioner of Customs, do hereby approve and appoint the under-mentioned Warehouses at the

*Port of Nelson,*

Viz.,—A wood and iron building occupied by J. Symons, of the firm of Messrs. N. Edwards and Co., situate on the Albion Wharf; and

A wood and iron building, occupied by J. S. Cross, situate on the Commercial Wharf,

to be Warehouses where goods may be deposited for examination on the landing thereof.

Given under my hand, at Wellington, this eighth day of June, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-four.

WILLIAM H. REYNOLDS,  
Commissioner of Customs.

Commissioner's Order No. 70.]

## NOTICES TO MARINERS.

No. 12 of 1874.

Customs Department (Marine Branch),  
Wellington, 9th June, 1874.

THE following Notices to Mariners, received from the Harbour Authorities of Victoria, South Australia, and Queensland, are published for general information.

WILLIAM H. REYNOLDS.

THE following Notice to Mariners, containing directions for the navigation of the South Channel, consequent upon the completion of the Lighthouses, from which lights will be exhibited on and after the 1st proximo, is published for general information.

EDWARD COHEN,

Commissioner of Trade and Customs.

Department of Trade and Customs,  
Melbourne, 13th May, 1874.

## SOUTH CHANNEL LIGHTS.

REFERRING to the Notice to Mariners on the subject published on the 6th January, 1873, notice is hereby given, that these lights will be exhibited on and after the 1st of June, 1874.

The "Eastern Light" (immediately under Arthur's Seat) is a fixed 4th-class dioptric light, 80 feet above high water level, and is visible in clear weather about fourteen miles.

The "South Channel Pile Light" (placed at eastern end of Channel, in the position formerly occupied by No. 10 buoy) is also a fixed 4th-class dioptric light, 27 feet above high water level, and is visible in clear weather about ten miles.

The *Eastern Light* shows—

Red between S. by W.  $\frac{1}{2}$  W. and S.E.  $\frac{1}{4}$  E., and  
White between S.E.  $\frac{1}{4}$  E. and E by N.  $\frac{1}{2}$  N.

The *South Channel Pile Light* shows—

Red from W.  $\frac{1}{2}$  S. round northerly to N.E.  $\frac{1}{4}$  N.,  
and

White between N.E.  $\frac{1}{4}$  N. and S.S.E.; between  
the bearings of S.S.E. to W.  $\frac{1}{2}$  S. this light  
is obscured.

Vessels entering the South Channel from seaward should steer in with these two lights (White) in one bearing E.  $\frac{1}{4}$  S.; but in approaching within quarter of a mile of the South Channel Pile Light, in vessels of heavy draught of water, care must be taken to bring the Eastern Light under Arthur's Seat well to the northward of the Pile Light, in order to avoid shoal soundings of 20, 21, and 22 feet, recently obtained by Captain Stanley whilst re-surveying this channel.

After passing the Pile Lighthouse steer about E., taking care to get sight of its light again (Red) before

getting into the vicinity of No. 13 buoy. When the Eastern Light under Arthur's Seat shows Red, the vessel will be clear of the east end of the "Middle Ground," when a course may be shaped for either Melbourne or Geelong.

Vessels leaving for sea by South Channel, having made Eastern Light under Arthur's Seat (Red), should steer for it until the Pile Light opens out (Red) upon W.  $\frac{1}{2}$  S. bearing, when a course may be shaped so as to pass it on the north side, and then steer W.  $\frac{1}{4}$  N. through the channel.

Sailing vessels working down, and when to the northward and in the vicinity of the Middle Ground and Great Sand, will know they are getting into danger, when either the South Channel Pile Light or the Eastern Light under Arthur's Seat shows White.

They will also know their proximity to the eastern shore, when the Eastern Light ceases to be visible.

Vessels may find safe anchorage anywhere in Capel Sound, with the South Channel Pile Light showing Red; the only danger being the "Hurricane" wreck, upon which a "wreck buoy" is placed.

CHARLES B. PAYNE,  
Chief Harbour Master.

Department of Ports and Harbours,  
Melbourne, 13th May, 1874.

#### LIGHT AT THE ENTRANCE OF PORT ADELAIDE.

NOTICE is hereby given, that during the alterations to the Lighthouse Tower, the Lantern will be shifted to a platform at the S.W. corner of the Lighthouse.

The light will be of the same description and at the same elevation as at present, and visible on the same arc from seaward.

GEO. E. DEMOLE,  
Secretary, Marine Board.

Marine Board Office,  
Port Adelaide, 6th May, 1874.

#### PETRIE REEF, WESTERN PACIFIC.

PETRIE Reef, discovered by Lieutenant Petrie, in 1835, and marked *Petria* (?) on the Admiralty Charts, was sighted on the 5th March by Captain Goodall, in the "May Queen." He places the reef—which he describes as being about  $5\frac{1}{2}$  miles long by 3 miles wide—in the following position, viz.,—

North Point, latitude  $18^{\circ} 31' 0''$  S.  
Longitude  $164^{\circ} 26' 0''$  E.  
South Point, latitude  $18^{\circ} 36' 26''$  S.  
Longitude  $164^{\circ} 24' 35''$  E.

On the north-west side he observed an opening into a lagoon, apparently of deep water. This opening was about two miles wide, with a detached reef just within the entrance and towards its north-eastern side. There appeared also to be a small opening at the southern extremity of the main reef. The sandbanks on the western and south-eastern sides of the reef were estimated at low water to be 20 to 25 feet high. Off the northern extremity of the reef, a strong tide rip was observed, the stream setting to the north-east.

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

Department of Ports and Harbours,  
Brisbane, 8th May, 1874.

#### NOTICE TO MARINERS.

No. 13 of 1874.

Customs Department (Marine Branch),  
Wellington, 9th June, 1874.

THE following Hydrographical Memorandum, forwarded by the Commodore Commanding

the Australian Station, is published for general information.

WILLIAM H. REYNOLDS.

#### FIJI ISLANDS.—NEW CALEDONIA.

Her Majesty's Ship "Pearl,"  
Sydney, 20th May, 1874.

#### HYDROGRAPHICAL MEMORANDUM No. 4.

THE accompanying Hydrographical information relative to the Fiji Islands and New Caledonia is promulgated for general information.

JAMES G. GOODENOUGH,  
Captain and Commodore (Second Class)  
Commanding Australian Station.

To the respective Captains and Commanding Officers, &c.

#### HYDROGRAPHIC INFORMATION.

Extract from "Remark Book" of Navigating Lieutenant Henry Hosken, of H.M.S. "Pearl."

#### FIJI GROUP.

*Kadavu*.—The Astrolabe Reef, which stretches to the north of Kadavu, is imperfectly delineated on General Chart 2691. From observations taken when off the northern extreme of the reef, the North Rock was found to be a mile too far north. It should be in lat.  $18^{\circ} 37'$  S.,  $1\frac{1}{2}$  mile inside the extreme of the reef.

The reef also stretches  $2\frac{1}{2}$  miles further to the eastward (abreast the north end of Ono Island) than shown on the chart.

*West Bay, Galoa Bay: Beacons*.—There are now two beacons erected, one on the southern hummock of Galoa Island, the other on the mainland of Kadavu Island. When in line of bearing N.  $89^{\circ}$  W., they lead through the channel between "Middle Reef" and "South Reef;" but as they are not placed at right angles to the passage, they lead dangerously close to both reefs. The inner beacon in misty weather is often obscured.

*Buoys*.—The Mail Company have placed a red buoy just inside the south edge of "Middle patch;" another red buoy outside the entrance of the spit which stretches off the south extreme of Galoa Island; and a black buoy on the "Centre patch." These buoys are indifferently moored, and cannot be relied on.

*Viti Levu, Navua*.—The land about Navua, south side of Viti Levu, is not correctly laid down on the General Chart, between the reefs stretching off the mainland and the reefs north of Bega Island. There is only a passage of two miles wide, instead of eight miles as shown on the chart.

*Taviuni*.—Vuna Point opened out clear of South Point N.W.  $\frac{1}{2}$  N., forming a bay under the reef which stretches to the westward. Vuna Point stretches out two miles further than shown on General Chart, which leaves the extremity of the reef only two miles from the Point.

*Somo-Somo Strait*.—Bring Rabi Island to bear N.  $\frac{1}{4}$  E., steer for it, passing between the shoal patches, which extend three-quarters of a mile to the west of Goat Island and a number of detached reefs which stretch off to the eastward from Mount Coconut Point about two miles, leaving a channel of not more than two miles in width. Rabi Island appears to be placed one mile and a half too far to the eastward on the chart.

*Goat Island*.—A reef surrounds Goat Island, stretching off about 1' South,  $\frac{3}{4}$ ' West, and 1' North. Between Goat Island and Taviuni, there is said to be an intricate channel for small craft.

*Anchorage*.—The anchorages off Vuna Plantation, north of Vuna Reef, and the one off Somo-Somo, are very close inshore, with deep water (15 to 30 fms.), and circumscribed. The former has very bad holding ground, but the latter, having soft bottom, affords fair holding ground.

NEW CALEDONIA.

*Kie Inner Bank, Havannah Passage.*—The Kie inner bank could not be made out from the "Pearl's" mast-head, although she passed close to its assigned position. It is not shown on any of the charts of the recent French surveys, nor is its existence known to the French officers or pilots.

*Passage from Woodin Passage to Noumea.*—The best passage, the one used by the French men-of-war and recommended by the pilots, is that called the Tareti Channel:—Pass north of Tareti (sand-bank) and south of the "Nakae Shoals,"—these, together with the "Four Northern Banks," always show above water; then mid-channel for Noumea. This is better than the Porcupine Island passage, recommended on the chart, on account of the Oliver Bank and Providence Shoal not always being visible. They were not seen from the mast-head, as the "Pearl" passed near them.

*Newly-discovered Dangers.*—Information received from M. Villemot, Lieutenant de Vaisseau, commanding the French war transport "Cher:"—

*Roche du Var.*—The Roche du Var is a dangerous rock lying  $7\frac{1}{2}$  N.N.E.  $\frac{1}{4}$  E. from the entrance to the Havannah Passage. It is in latitude  $22^{\circ} 14' 25''$  S., longitude  $167^{\circ} 9' 15''$  E. From it a peak on the mainland is in line with southern extreme of Nau Island, bearing S.  $66\frac{3}{4}^{\circ}$  W., and the southern extreme of Cape Nana bears S.  $41\frac{1}{2}^{\circ}$  W. There is only a depth of two metres on it.

*Dangerous Reef.*—Information received from M. Gustave Fabre, Pilot for New Caledonia:—

There is a reef (about  $1\frac{1}{2}$  in diameter) not marked on Chart No. 2906, corrected to March, 1869, with 9 feet of water over it, which generally breaks. It lies nearly in the fairway from the Isle of Pines to Woodin Passage. It is  $2\frac{1}{2}$  S.E. by E.  $\frac{1}{2}$  E. from Nuare Island, and  $2\frac{1}{2}$  W. by S.  $\frac{1}{2}$  S. from Amère Island, being in latitude  $22^{\circ} 27' 12''$  S., longitude  $167^{\circ} 4' E.$

*The  $3\frac{1}{2}$  Fathoms Shoal.—Less Water.*—The small shoal of  $3\frac{1}{2}$  fathoms, which lies  $1\frac{1}{2}$  E. of Uon Island, in latitude  $22^{\circ} 25\frac{1}{2}' S.$ , longitude  $166^{\circ} 53\frac{1}{2}' E.$ , has only 3 feet of water over it. The sea breaks over it.

*Senez Reef.*—The Senez Reef breaks with westerly and south-westerly winds.

*Sarègnère Reef.*—The Sarègnère Reef always breaks.

*Constantine Passage.*—The Constantine Passage is nearly blocked up by a long reef running parallel to the shore, not shown on Chart No. 936b, of 1856 and 1867.

*Nékété Passage.*—The Nékété Passage is reduced in width to about  $\frac{1}{2}$  by an extension of the reefs which form it.

*Nereus Shoal.*—Extract from the *Moniteur*, of 4th February, 1874:—

Mr. Hovell, commanding the British ship "Australasian Packet," states that he saw the Nereus Shoal in latitude  $20^{\circ} 10' S.$ , longitude  $160^{\circ} 5' E.$ , whereas on the charts it is shown in latitude  $20^{\circ} 5' S.$ , longitude  $160^{\circ} 30' E.$

*New Zealand Certificate of Service suspended.*

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

IT is hereby notified, that His Excellency the Governor has been pleased to confirm the sentence of the Court of Inquiry into the wreck of the "Emulous," and that the New Zealand Certificate of Service as Master, Home Trade, No. 2280, held by

ANGUS MATHESON,

is therefore suspended for a period of six months from the eleventh day of May last.

WILLIAM H. REYNOLDS.

Tenders.

Public Works Office,  
Wellington, 8th June, 1874.

THE following lists of successful and unsuccessful Tenderers are published for general information.  
EDWARD RICHARDSON.

WORKING THE FOXTON AND PALMERSTON TRAMWAY,

FOR ONE YEAR FROM 1ST MAY, 1874.

Declined.

Thynne and Thynne, Foxton (informal).

Accepted.

T. U. Cook, Foxton (as per Schedule of Charges below).

SCHEDULE OF CHARGES TO BE MADE FOR ONE YEAR FROM THE 1st MAY, 1874, ON THE FOXTON AND PALMERSTON TRAMWAY AND WHARF BY THE CONTRACTOR, MR. T. U. COOK.

Nature of Carriage.	Total Rate to be charged by Contractor.		
	£	s.	d.
Timber, Foxton to Palmerston, at per 100 superficial feet	0	2	6
Timber, Palmerston to Foxton, at per 100 superficial feet	0	2	6
Goods and materials of all sizes, Foxton to Palmerston, up, at per ton	1	8	0
Goods and materials of all sizes, Palmerston to Foxton, down, at per ton	1	4	0
INTERMEDIATE DISTANCES.			
Foxton to Palmerston to or from Oroua Bridge Station—			
Timber, at per 100 feet	0	1	8
Goods, up, at per ton	0	16	0
Goods, down, at per ton	0	14	0
Junction Shunt to or from Foxton—			
Timber, at per 100 feet	0	1	3
Goods, up, at per ton	0	10	0
Goods, down, at per ton	0	9	0
Junction Shunt to or from Palmerston—			
Timber, at per 100 feet	0	2	6
Goods, up, at per ton	1	4	0
Goods, down, at per ton	1	0	0
Ekatahuna Shunt to or from Palmerston—			
Timber, at per 100 feet	0	1	8
Goods, up, at per ton	0	12	0
Goods, down, at per ton	0	11	0
Ekatahuna Shunt to or from Foxton—			
Timber, at per 100 feet	0	2	6
Goods, up, at per ton	1	2	0
Goods, down, at per ton	1	0	0
Ekatahuna Shunt to or from Junction Shunt—			
Timber, at per 100 feet	0	2	3
Goods, up, at per ton	1	0	0
Goods, down, at per ton	0	18	0
NOTE.—Any distance between the above to be charged at the same rate as the next further on.			
Passengers—			
Foxton to Palmerston, or Palmerston to Foxton, adults	0	5	0
Foxton or Palmerston to or from Oroua Bridge	0	3	6
Foxton to or from Junction	0	2	0
Palmerston to or from Junction	0	4	0
Palmerston to or from Ekatahuna	0	2	0
Foxton to or from Ekatahuna	0	4	0
NOTE.—Intermediate distances to be charged at the same rate as the next station further on; and children under 12 years of age to be charged half-price in all cases. Passengers to be allowed 28 lbs. of luggage free of charge, and extra luggage to be charged same rates as for goods.			
Goods of all kinds, wharfage at Foxton, at per ton	0	2	6
Receiving and delivering goods at Foxton, at per ton	0	1	0
Storage of goods at Foxton, per week, at per ton	0	1	0
Receiving and delivering goods at Palmerston, at per ton	0	1	0
Storage of goods at Palmerston, if remaining over seven days, at per week, at per ton	0	1	0
Timber, wharfage at Foxton, at per 100 superficial feet	0	0	5
Timber remaining over four weeks at Foxton Station, to be charged per week, per 1,000 superficial feet	0	1	0

Note.—The Ton weight shall be reckoned at 2,240lbs.

**WELLINGTON AND MASTERTON RAILWAY.**  
FOR ERECTION OF A FOURTH-CLASS RAILWAY STATION NEAR THE CRITERION HOTEL, UPPER HUTT.

*Accepted.*  
Charles McKirdy, Wellington, £305 (with earth platform).  
*Declined.*  
Samuel Brown, Wellington, £479 (with earth platform).

**WAITAKI-MOERAKI RAILWAY.**

**KAKANUI AND ISLAND CREEK BRIDGES CONTRACT.**

*Accepted.* £ s. d.  
J. Brogden and Sons, Wellington ... .. 6,636 0 0  
*Declined.*  
Allan and Stumbles, Timaru ... .. 6,487 2 6  
W. D. Murison, Dunedin ... .. 7,100 0 0  
G. M. Baird, Dunedin ... .. 8,558 19 3  
A. M. Campbell, Dunedin ... .. 10,482 0 0

*Note.*—Messrs. Brogden and Co. having the Contract for the line of Railway on which these Bridges are situated, the advantage of having one Contractor for the whole work occasioned the acceptance of their tender in preference to that of Messrs. Allan and Stumbles, although slightly under Messrs. Brogden's.

**WELLINGTON AND MASTERTON RAILWAY.**

**MUNGAROA CONTRACT.**

*Accepted.* £ s. d.  
C. McKirdy, Wellington ... .. 55,752 0 0  
*Declined.*  
Wm. Strachan, Wellington ... .. 56,989 17 0  
W. F. Oakes, Wanganui ... .. 57,694 15 0  
J. R. George and Co., Wellington ... .. 58,600 0 0  
J. Cruickshank, Upper Hutt ... .. 59,000 0 0  
Jas. Lockie, Wellington ... .. 59,558 15 4  
John Brogden and Sons, Wellington ... .. 62,367 4 6  
Collie, Scott, and Wilkinson, Wellington ... .. 77,709 18 2  
Scouler and Archibald, Wellington ... .. 89,783 0 0

*Tenders for Repairs to General Government Buildings in Wellington.*

Public Works Office,  
(Colonial Architect's Branch),  
Wellington, 9th June, 1874.

**TENDERS** are invited for the General Repairs to all Public Buildings in Wellington, Cleaning Windows, attending to Gas, Hot-water Apparatus at the Houses of Parliament, &c., for six months commencing 1st July and ending 31st December, 1874. General conditions, specifications, and drawings may be seen at the Offices of the Colonial Architect, Wellington.

Tenders addressed to the Hon. the Minister for Public Works, and marked outside "Tender for General Repairs, &c." will be received at the office of the undersigned up to 4 o'clock of Monday, the 22nd day of June, 1874.

The lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted.  
W. H. CLAYTON,  
Colonial Architect.

*Inquiry for Missing Person.*

Colonial Secretary's Office,  
Wellington, 10th June, 1874.

**INQUIRIES** having been made respecting a person I named JOHN HILL SYMONDS, who went to Auckland in 1864, and was supposed to be employed there in the American Shaving Saloon,—any one who can give information as to the above-named person is requested to communicate with this office.

Person desiring information of Mr. J. H. Symonds—His sister, Charlotte Bird, care of Sergeant John J. Bird, 15th Staffordshire Rifle Volunteers, Brierley Hill, Staffordshire.

G. S. COOPER,  
Under Secretary.

**CENSUS OF NEW ZEALAND,—MARCH, 1874.**

Registrar-General's Office, Wellington, 4th June, 1874.

**THE** following Table showing the Numbers of the Population (exclusive of Aboriginal Natives) and Dwellings in the Province of Westland, as ascertained by a Census taken for the night of the 1st March, 1874, is published for general information. The figures, it is to be understood, are subject to subsequent revision, but it is not probable that this will lead to any alteration of practical importance.

WM. R. E. BROWN,  
Registrar-General.

**PROVINCE OF WESTLAND.**

Electoral Districts.	Total Population, (including Half-castes and Chinese).			Half-castes.			Chinese.			Number of Dwellings.			
	Males.	Females.	Total.	Males.	Females.	Total.	Males.	Females.	Total.	In-habited.	Unin-habited.	Build-ing.	Total.
Grey Valley (part of)* ... ..	3,396	1,566	4,962	1	1	2	575	...	575	1,490	106	6	1,602
Hokitika † ... ..	4,555	2,953	7,508	2	...	2	207	...	207	2,345	187	4	2,536
Totara ... ..	1,507	846	2,353	...	...	...	116	...	116	807	43	...	850
<b>Totals ... ..</b>	<b>9,458</b>	<b>5,365</b>	<b>14,823</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>898</b>	<b>...</b>	<b>898</b>	<b>4,642</b>	<b>336</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>4,988</b>

\* The population of the Town of Greymouth (included in this Electoral District), was 2,505, viz. 1,385 Males and 1,120 Females, to which are to be added 35 persons on shipboard.

† The population of the Town of Hokitika (included in this Electoral District), was 3,338, viz. 1,697 Males and 1,641 Females, to which are to be added 53 persons on shipboard.

## POPULATION OF NEW ZEALAND, 1874.

Registrar-General's Office, Wellington, 9th June, 1874.

THE following Table, showing approximately the Numbers of the Population of the Provinces of the Colony (exclusive of Aboriginal Natives), and Dwellings, as ascertained by a Census taken for the night of the 1st March, 1874, including a comparison with the Numbers ascertained by the Census of February, 1871, is published for general information. It is a Summary of more detailed information for the several divisions of the Colony which has already appeared in the *Gazette* from time to time, as received from the respective Enumerators. It is to be understood that the figures are subject to future revision, but it is not probable that this will lead to any alteration of practical importance.

WM. R. E. BROWN,  
Registrar-General.

Provinces.	Population.			Half-castes.			Chinese.			Number of Inhabited Houses.
	Males.	Females.	Total.	Males.	Females.	Total.	Males.	Females.	Total.	
Province of Auckland ... March, 1874	37,117	30,228	67,345	413	445	858	6	...	6	14,104
" " Feb., 1871	35,502	26,833	62,335	368	374	742	7	1	8	13,667
Province of Taranaki ... March, 1874	3,051	2,432	5,483	17	22	39	...	...	...	1,158
" " Feb., 1871	2,572	1,908	4,480	16	28	44	...	...	...	987
Province of Wellington ... March, 1874	16,230	13,500	29,730	46	36	82	3	...	3	5,328
" " Feb., 1871	13,180	10,821	24,001	65	43	108	12	...	12	4,779
Province of Hawke's Bay March, 1874	5,406	3,812	9,218	77	70	147	...	...	...	1,617
" " Feb., 1871	3,596	2,463	6,059	45	44	89	...	...	...	1,215
Province of Marlborough March, 1874	3,664	2,479	6,143	49	40	89	...	...	...	1,225
" " Feb., 1871	3,235	2,000	5,235	41	21	62	...	...	...	1,012
Province of Nelson ... March, 1874	13,555	9,011	22,566	24	4	28	320	...	320	5,703
" " Feb., 1871	14,257	8,244	22,501	20	8	28	2	1	3	5,819
Province of Westland ... March, 1874	9,458	5,365	14,823	3	1	4	898	...	898	4,642
" " Feb., 1871	10,453	4,904	15,357	1	4	5	30	1	31	5,457
Province of Canterbury ... March, 1874	32,294	26,476	58,770	32	14	46	11	...	11	10,518
" " Feb., 1871	25,781	21,020	46,801	24	24	48	10	...	10	8,747
Province of Otago ... March, 1874	50,121	34,961	85,082	283	269	552	3,557	1	3,558	16,975
" " Feb., 1871	41,691	27,800	69,491	172	157	329	2,576	...	2,576	15,463
Totals (exclusive of Chatham Islands) March, 1874	170,896	128,264	299,160	944	901	1,845	4,795	1	4,796	61,270
Totals (exclusive of Chatham Islands) Feb., 1871	150,267	105,993	256,260	752	703	1,455	2,637	3	2,640	57,146
Increase in 1874 ...	20,629 or 13.72 per cent.	22,271 or 21.01 per cent.	42,900 or 16.74 per cent.	192	198	390	2,158	Der. 2	2,156	4,124 or 7.21 per cent.

**P**ARTICULARS of the Estates of Deceased Persons which have been placed under the charge of the PUBLIC TRUSTEE during the Month of May, 1874.

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	Alexander Affleck	Dunedin	...	20 May, 1874 ...	Under £100	6 Feb., 1874	Included in February returns as under £10.
2	Joseph Redshaw	Auckland	...	20 May, 18 4 ...	Under £400	16 April, 1874	Suicide; temporary insanity.
3	Henry Preston ...	Wairarapa	...	20 May, 1874 ...	Under £200	20 April, 1874	Killed by fall of earth.
4	Patrick McFellie	Lyttelton	Derry, Ireland	None required ...	Under £10	9 April, 1874	Crushed by a bale of wool.
5	William Veal ...	Christchurch	Cornwall, England	None required ...	Under £50	15 May, 1874	
6	John Bannan ...	Timaru	...	None required ...	Under £25	— May, 1874	Died in Timaru Hospital.
7	— Taylor ...	Blenheim	...	None required ...	Under £10	— April, 1874	
8	Jacob Lorenzen ...	Waitahuna	...	May 29, 1874 ...	Under £100	9 April, 1874	

Dated the 5th day of June, 1874.

J. WOODWARD, Public Trustee.

ACCOUNT of LAND in CULTIVATION, and of the AGRICULTURAL PRODUCE thereof, in NEW ZEALAND, February, 1874 (being a Summary of Information already published in more detail in the Gazette from time to time as received from the several Superintendent Collectors; including a Comparison with the Agricultural Statistics in February, 1873.

PROVINCES.	NUMBERS OF HOLDINGS EXCEEDING ONE ACRE.	Extent of Land broken up, but not under Crop.	IN WHEAT.		IN OATS.			IN BARLEY.		IN SOWN GRASSES.			IN POTATOES.		IN OTHER CROPS.	TOTAL NUMBERS OF ACRES UNDER CROP, INCLUDING SOWN GRASSES		
			Acres.	Estimated Gross Produce (in bushels).	Acres		Estimated Gross Produce of Grain (in bushels).	Acres (sown for Grain only).	Estimated Gross Produce (in bushels).	IN HAY.		In permanent artificial Grass (including Land in Hay in previous column).	Acres.	Estimated Gross Produce (in tons).			Acres.	Estimated Gross Produce (in tons).
					For Green Food or Hay.	For Grain.				Acres.	Estimated Gross Produce (in tons).							
PROVINCE OF AUCKLAND ... 1874	3,796	16,101 $\frac{3}{4}$	3,142 $\frac{3}{4}$	55,207 $\frac{1}{2}$	2,189 $\frac{1}{2}$	1,820 $\frac{1}{4}$	27,406 $\frac{1}{2}$	226 $\frac{3}{4}$	3,270	6,264	5,806	214,699 $\frac{1}{4}$	3,486 $\frac{1}{2}$	12,371 $\frac{1}{4}$	1,915	227,480 $\frac{1}{2}$		
" " ... 1873	3,842	10,857	3,372	63,058	4,237	1,866	34,792	217	3,785	7,106	7,641	198,427	3,475	15,417	2,127	213,721		
PROVINCE OF TARANAKI ... 1874	557	3,139	945 $\frac{3}{4}$	19,290	82	363	8,709	29	470	735	938	41,069 $\frac{3}{4}$	477 $\frac{1}{2}$	1,946 $\frac{3}{4}$	215	43,182		
" " ... 1873	492	2,393	1,052	19,414	131	324	5,804	52	757	578	819	30,940	530	2,205	322	33,351		
PROVINCE OF WELLINGTON ... 1874	1,624	8,658 $\frac{1}{2}$	1,787 $\frac{1}{2}$	41,738	435 $\frac{1}{2}$	2,839	71,996	130	2,943	4,712	7,330 $\frac{3}{4}$	270,679	867 $\frac{3}{8}$	5,432 $\frac{1}{2}$	212 $\frac{3}{4}$	276,951		
" " ... 1873	1,517	2,596	1,770	32,085	370	2,358	47,362	190	3,025	3,280	4,591	250,211	825	4,563	360	256,084		
PROVINCE OF HAWKE'S BAY ... 1874	388	10,146 $\frac{1}{2}$	197 $\frac{1}{2}$	3,694	175 $\frac{1}{2}$	671 $\frac{1}{4}$	16,384	324 $\frac{1}{4}$	6,820	2,848	5,081 $\frac{1}{2}$	115,336 $\frac{1}{2}$	225	1,127	109 $\frac{1}{2}$	117,039 $\frac{1}{2}$		
" " ... 1873	351	3,178	474	12,225	561	733	14,835	232	5,685	1,964	2,676	79,594	284	1,356	106	81,984		
PROVINCE OF MARLBOROUGH ... 1874	320	2,731 $\frac{3}{4}$	1,853 $\frac{3}{4}$	30,373	693 $\frac{3}{4}$	1,315 $\frac{1}{4}$	35,537	2,301 $\frac{1}{4}$	58,812	695 $\frac{3}{4}$	991 $\frac{3}{4}$	20,308	197 $\frac{1}{2}$	1,012	125 $\frac{1}{4}$	26,794 $\frac{3}{4}$		
" " ... 1873	348	1,364	2,309	39,205	918	890	18,072	2,048	37,121	607	577	28,654	215	937	185	35,219		
PROVINCE OF NELSON ... 1874	1,112	3,778 $\frac{1}{4}$	2,600 $\frac{1}{2}$	44,874	2,607 $\frac{1}{4}$	3,267 $\frac{1}{4}$	76,300	1,020 $\frac{3}{4}$	20,430	2,649 $\frac{3}{4}$	3,584 $\frac{1}{4}$	43,650 $\frac{1}{2}$	962	4,576 $\frac{1}{4}$	590 $\frac{1}{4}$	54,698 $\frac{1}{4}$		
" " ... 1873	1,222	4,580	3,576	46,081	3,226	1,906	32,476	820	9,326	1,887	2,002	38,735	1,137	5,946	767	50,167		
PROVINCE OF WESTLAND ... 1874	204	687 $\frac{1}{2}$	2 $\frac{1}{4}$	7	286 $\frac{1}{4}$	7 $\frac{1}{4}$	130	...	...	279 $\frac{1}{2}$	525	2,121 $\frac{1}{2}$	241 $\frac{3}{4}$	1,333	71	2,730		
" " ... 1873	208	70	...	...	260	13	239	...	...	107	170	1,957	246	1,509	97	2,573		
PROVINCE OF CANTERBURY ... 1874	3,969	61,364 $\frac{1}{2}$	71,826 $\frac{1}{2}$	1,706,738 $\frac{1}{2}$	4,615	38,984 $\frac{3}{4}$	1,053,549 $\frac{1}{2}$	9,200 $\frac{3}{4}$	249,690	14,872 $\frac{3}{4}$	20,957 $\frac{3}{4}$	245,518 $\frac{1}{4}$	1,853 $\frac{1}{2}$	8,522	10,178 $\frac{1}{2}$	382,177 $\frac{1}{4}$		
" " ... 1873	3,619	48,570	68,463	1,487,174	3,184	37,173	897,545	6,810	134,607	10,492	12,952	195,420	1,883	9,367	5,726	318,659		
PROVINCE OF OTAGO ... 1874	3,913	41,742 $\frac{1}{4}$	50,068 $\frac{1}{2}$	1,489,711	11,132	60,204 $\frac{1}{4}$	2,002,794	8,890 $\frac{3}{4}$	264,007	10,558	16,970 $\frac{3}{8}$	227,985 $\frac{1}{4}$	3,303 $\frac{1}{4}$	15,436 $\frac{1}{4}$	10,714 $\frac{1}{2}$	372,298 $\frac{1}{2}$		
" " ... 1873	3,705	46,423	50,781	1,489,454	12,629	51,695	1,566,960	4,897	130,795	7,567	10,569	170,958	4,027	20,825	10,155	305,142		
TOTALS ... 1874	15,883	148,350	132,425	3,391,633	22,216 $\frac{3}{8}$	109,472 $\frac{1}{4}$	3,292,806	22,123 $\frac{1}{2}$	606,492	43,614 $\frac{3}{4}$	62,185 $\frac{3}{4}$	1,181,368	11,614 $\frac{5}{8}$	51,757 $\frac{1}{2}$	24,131 $\frac{3}{4}$	1,503,352		
TOTALS ... 1873	15,304	120,032	131,797	3,188,696	25,516	96,958	2,618,085	15,266	325,101	33,588	41,997	994,896	12,623	62,125	19,845	1,296,901		
INCREASE IN 1874 ...	579	28,318	628	202,937	...	12,514 $\frac{3}{4}$	674,721	6,857 $\frac{1}{2}$	281,391	10,026 $\frac{3}{4}$	20,188 $\frac{3}{4}$	186,472	...	...	4,286 $\frac{3}{4}$	206,451		
DECREASE IN 1874 ...	...	...	...	...	3,299 $\frac{3}{8}$	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1,008 $\frac{3}{8}$	10,367 $\frac{1}{2}$	...	...		

Wm. R. E. BROWN,  
Registrar-General.

STATEMENT showing the NUMBER, AMOUNT, &c., of MONEY ORDER and SAVINGS BANK TRANSACTIONS in the several Postal Districts of the Colony of New Zealand, during the Quarter ended 31st March, 1874; and SUMMARY of the TRANSACTIONS during the corresponding Quarter in 1873.

POSTAL DISTRICTS.	Money Order and Savings Bank Offices Open.	MONEY ORDERS.				SAVINGS BANKS.							
		Issued.		Paid.		Accounts.		Number of Deposits.	Number of With- drawals.	Amount of Deposits.	Amount of Withdrawals.	Excess of Deposits over Withdrawals.	Excess of Withdrawals over Deposits.
		Number.	Amount.	Number.	Amount.	Opened.	Closed.						
			£ s. d.		£ s. d.					£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Auckland ... ..	21	2,118	8,806 5 5	2,113	9,067 4 2	344	157	1,846	911	19,837 0 2	14,657 1 3	5,179 18 11	...
Thames ... ..	1	394	1,767 4 5	530	1,982 1 6	76	87	441	348	4,236 2 10	6,588 6 8	...	2,352 3 10
New Plymouth ... ..	2	292	1,420 8 6	175	812 12 6	43	29	226	129	3,067 13 0	3,456 8 6	...	388 15 6
Napier ... ..	5	688	3,218 0 9	192	865 16 4	97	36	387	174	5,077 14 2	3,262 9 3	1,815 4 11	...
Wellington ... ..	10	2,100	8,256 5 6	1,701	6,681 16 11	351	167	2,000	966	24,895 5 0	21,797 1 7	3,098 3 5	...
Blenheim ... ..	4	600	3,010 14 4	195	977 5 3	53	20	185	76	3,129 19 9	1,846 18 5	1,283 1 4	...
Nelson ... ..	4	420	1,624 1 11	781	3,573 8 5	66	25	349	138	4,780 5 1	3,586 0 10	1,194 4 3	...
Westport ... ..	2	299	1,188 3 5	133	491 12 7	23	39	144	149	3,225 12 1	4,339 0 4	...	1,113 8 3
Greymouth ... ..	3	833	3,943 18 6	413	1,702 0 11	69	42	299	197	5,319 6 1	5,985 8 11	...	666 2 10
Hokitika ... ..	2	434	1,736 1 5	388	1,637 19 8	47	39	254	216	4,270 4 7	5,531 14 6	...	1,261 9 11
Christchurch ... ..	15	2,127	8,634 0 1	1,092	4,612 6 2	574	255	2,818	1,270	39,047 15 7	28,184 19 6	10,862 16 1	...
Dunedin ... ..	24	3,220	13,813 15 5	2,452	10,654 4 11	617	260	3,209	1,448	47,437 13 3	35,824 7 4	11,613 5 11	...
Invercargill ... ..	5	530	2,242 18 9	209	905 15 8	82	39	426	194	6,736 11 5	4,768 14 3	1,967 17 2	...
Total for 1st Quarter in 1874 ...	98	14,055	59,661 18 5	10,374	43,964 5 0	2,442	1,195	12,584	6,216	171,061 3 0	139,828 11 4	37,014 12 0	5,782 0 4
Total for 1st Quarter in 1873 ...	92	11,923	50,495 7 8	8,727	37,597 3 10	1,805	961	9,239	4,959	136,415 9 1	101,069 8 6	37,950 19 2	2,604 18 7

General Post Office, Wellington, 1st June, 1874.

W. GRAY,  
Secretary.



ABSTRACT of METEOROLOGICAL OBSERVATIONS, New Zealand, for the Month of APRIL, 1874.

STATIONS.	BAROMETER. Corrected and Reduced to Sea Level.		TEMPERATURE FROM SELF-REGISTERING INSTRUMENTS, READ IN MORNING FOR TWENTY-FOUR HOURS PREVIOUSLY.					COMPUTED FROM OBSERVATIONS.		RAIN.		WIND.		LOUD.
	Mean Reading	Extr'me Range.	Mean Temp. in Shade.	Mean Daily Range of Temp.	Extr'me Range of Temp.	Max. Temp. in Sun's Rays.	Min. Temp. on Grass.	Mean Elastic Force of Vapour.	Mean Deg. of Moist. (Saturation = 100.)	Total Fall in Month (inches)	No. of Days on which Rain fell.	Average Daily Force in Miles for Month.	Maximum Velocity in Miles in any 24 hours, and Date.	Mean Amount for Month (0 to 10).
MONGONUI ...	30.191	.484	65.4	17.1	33.0	149.0	...	.447	73	1.950	9	82	239, 6th	5.5
Same month previous 7 years	30.070	...	62.6	...	...	...	...	.465	78	3.843	9	...	...	...
AUCKLAND ...	30.177	.593	61.8	15.6	37.0	133.2	18.2	.410	77	.921	9	240	445, 17th	7.0
Same month previous 10 yrs.	30.004	...	61.9	...	...	...	...	.444	78	3.479	14	...	...	...
TARANAKI ...	30.165	.744	58.5	19.0	39.0	161.0	24.0	.360	76	.980	8	194	435, 6th	5.6
Same month previous 10 yrs.	30.028	...	59.3	...	...	...	...	.398	73	3.692	12	...	...	...
NAPIER ...	30.133	.824	58.3	18.8	42.0	131.0	...	.342	71	.980	6	209	442, 22nd	2.0
Same month previous 7 years	29.994	...	58.4	...	...	...	...	.304	75	2.398	8	...	...	...
WELLINGTON ...	30.121	.977	56.1	12.9	27.3	120.0	35.0	.340	75	.860	12	239	605, 6th	4.8
Same month previous 10 yrs.	29.993	...	57.1	...	...	...	...	.355	75	4.115	13	...	...	...
*WANGANUI ...	30.250	.800	57.2	21.2	40.0	120.0	32.0	.330	72	.790	6	197	430, 16th	4.0
Same month previous 2 years	29.850	...	56.8	...	...	...	...	.289	73	2.400	11	...	...	...
NELSON ...	30.096	.927	55.9	21.2	41.0	149.0	...	.295	65	.630	5	89	179, 23rd	2.9
Same month previous 10 yrs.	29.969	...	57.1	...	...	...	...	.377	76	4.251	6	...	...	...
CAPE CAMPBELL ...	30.070	.880	60.1	15.7	29.5	...	...	.344	66	.280	5	434	764, 21st	5.5
CHRISTCHURCH ...	30.056	.932	52.9	18.0	51.0	137.2	19.2	.317	80	.130	2	114	257, 3rd	4.8
Same month previous 10 yrs.	29.969	...	53.8	...	...	...	...	.342	79	2.583	9	...	...	...
*BEALEY ...	30.130	.770	47.7	16.3	37.0	...	1.4	.273	84	12.220	12	152	308, 25th	4.0
Same month previous 6 years	29.788	...	48.2	...	...	...	...	.274	82	7.480	17	...	...	...
HOKITIKA ...	30.136	.839	53.2	13.4	29.0	91.2	23.6	.358	88	11.380	15	158	507, 16th	6.0
Same month previous 8 years	30.006	...	54.4	...	...	...	...	.396	87	8.170	15	...	...	...
DUNEDIN ...	29.829	.833	52.2	17.8	40.0	130.0	33.0	.292	74	1.292	9	204	535, 1st	4.7
Same month previous 10 yrs.	29.991	...	51.9	...	...	...	...	.288	74	2.280	14	...	...	...
*QUEENSTOWN ...	30.105	.845	50.3	16.8	37.6	117.7	30.1	.245	68	2.550	10	128	246, 11th	5.1
Same month previous 2 years	30.153	...	51.9	...	...	...	...	.273	71	1.545	8	...	...	...
SOUTHLAND ...	29.960	.870	52.0	14.0	42.0	122.0	...	.266	69	4.300	20	250	539, 16th	7.0
Same month previous 9 years	29.916	...	50.8	...	...	...	...	.289	77	3.536	13	...	...	...

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

NOTES FOR APRIL, 1874.

*Mongonui.*—Remarkably fine and dry month; heavy rain on night of 28th, with thunder—1.32 inch fell; prevailing easterly winds and light. Maximum temperature in shade, 81°; minimum, 48°.

*Auckland.*—Fine weather; slight rainfall, the maximum being .43 on 29th; prevailing southerly winds and moderate. Maximum temperature, 79°; minimum, 42°.

*Taranaki.*—A very fine pleasant month, with moderate easterly winds prevailing; a few pleasant showers; maximum rain recorded on 20th, .28 inch. Maximum temperature, 75°; minimum, 36°.

*Napier.*—Generally fine and cold, with occasional showery days; maximum rain recorded on 10th, .31 inch; prevailing N. and S.W. winds and moderate; maximum temperature, 80°; minimum, 38°.

*Wellington.*—Very small total rainfall, although often showery; the maximum fall occurred on the 5th, .230; prevailing N.W. and S.E. winds, and frequently very stormy; on the 4th, 5th, and 6th, a severe gale occurred from N.W. with rain, at times most violent gusts; on 7th, sudden and severe squall from S.E., lasting only fifteen minutes, then lulled; on night of 14th, strong wind from N.W. and rain; and on 20th and 21st, very stormy from same quarter, and slight rain; on 16th, a sudden squall of hail and rain occurred from S.E., about 7 p.m.; fine after; some very fine bright pleasant weather during the month. Maximum temperature in shade, 67.3°; minimum, 40°.

*Wanganui.*—Fine, with variable winds and light, except on 16th and 17th, when it blew strong from N.W. and rain; maximum rainfall occurred on 15th, .25 inch. Maximum temperature, 74°; minimum, 34°.

*Nelson.*—Very small rainfall, and generally light variable winds; the greatest rainfall was recorded on 11th, .37 inch. Maximum temperature, 75°; minimum, 34°.

*Cape Campbell.*—Remarkably small rainfall, the maximum only .08 inch on 9th and 13th; but strong winds, frequently increasing to gales, throughout the month, chiefly from N.W. Maximum temperature, 74.5°; minimum, 45°.

*Christchurch.*—Only two days of rain, the greatest fall being .08 on 11th; winds chiefly from N.E. and S.W. and light, except on 7th and 10th, when there was a gale from S.W., and on 22nd from N.W.; fog on 29th. Maximum temperature, 81.6°; minimum, 30.6°.

*Bealey.*—Pleasant, but showery, large rainfall; very heavy fall recorded on 6th for previous twenty-four hours, 7.66 inches, heaviest fall registered at this station; on 3rd, 4th, 5th, high N.W. wind; also strong on 21st and 24th from same quarter, with rain; twenty-one days of N.W. wind; fog on 27th, 28th, and 29th. Maximum temperature, 64.4°; minimum, 27.4° in shade.

*Hokitika.*—Very unpleasant wet month, with prevailing easterly winds, at times stormy; very heavy rain recorded on 6th, 3.90 inches; thunder on 16th and 22nd; fine towards end of month. Maximum temperature, 64.5°; minimum, 35.5°.

*Queenstown.*—Unusually fine during month; prevailing N.W. wind and moderate; maximum rainfall recorded on 15th, .64 inch; sudden squalls from S.W. on 14th and 15th, succeeded by rain, thunder, and snow; also snow on 21st; foggy on 28th, 29th, and 30th. Maximum temperature, 70.2°; minimum, 32.6°.

*Dunedin.*—Fine on whole, but frequently cold and squally; prevailing westerly winds; maximum rainfall recorded on 22nd, .32 inch; snow fell on 15th. Maximum temperature, 74°; minimum, 34°.

*Southland.*—Rather a rough, stormy month, with W. and N.W. winds; constant rain; the maximum fall recorded on 16th, .84 inch; on 15th it blew a gale day and night, with severe thunder and vivid lightning, also hail and rain; hail also on 17th, 22nd, and 23rd. Maximum temperature, 71°; minimum, 29°.

GENERAL REMARKS.

The most remarkable feature in the weather during this month is the unusually small rainfall at all the stations in the Colony, except those on the West Coast of the South Island, at Bealey, and in the extreme South, where the rain has been excessive. At most of the stations the weather has been exceedingly fine and pleasant; slight shock of earthquake reported at Mana Lighthouse on the 24th, at 11 p.m. Meteor observed at Wanganui on 1st, at 7.30 p.m.

JAMES HECTOR, Inspector.

## LAND TRANSFER ACT NOTICE.

**N**OTICE is hereby given, that the parcel 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.

Section 13, Block VII., Invercargill Hundred.—Applicant, JOHN VALLANCE, of Seaward Bush, near Invercargill, Farmer.

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

Diagrams may be inspected at this office.

Dated this 28th day of May, 1874, at the Lands Registry Office, Invercargill.

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W. RUSSELL,  
District Land Registrar.

## LAND TRANSFER ACT NOTICES.

**N**OTICE 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 within one calendar month after the date of publication of this notice.

DANIEL HEARD, Applicant.—1 rood, being Section No. 600, Town of Picton.

THOMAS HARRINGTON, Applicant.—176 acres, more or less, being Sections Nos. 15 and 16 of Block No. 1, Omaka District.

Diagrams may be inspected at this office.

Dated this 2nd day of June, 1874, at the Lands Registry Office, Blenheim.

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EDWIN BAMFORD,  
District Land Registrar.

## LAND TRANSFER ACT NOTICES.

**N**OTICE 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.

JAMES ASHWORTH, of Kaiapoi, in the Province of Canterbury, Carpenter, Applicant.—80 acres, being Section "3 on Square 10" of the plan of the Province of Nelson. (Adams and Kingdon, Agents for H. Wynn F. Williams, Solicitors.)

WILLIAM HARKNESS, of the District of Waimea East, Farmer, Applicant.—1 acre 3 roods 16 perches, being part of Section "83" on plan of the said district. Bounded—Northward and Southward by other parts of same section; Eastward by Section 81; Westward by a public road. (Adams and Pitt, Solicitors.)

THOMAS FIELD, of the City of Nelson, Brewer, Applicant.—1 rood 8 perches, being part of Section "30" on plan of said city. Bounded—North-east by other part of same section; South-east by Section 12 of Block G; South-west (500 links) by Section 29; North-west (40 feet) by Wakefield Quay. (W. Rout, Broker.)

HARRY RUFFELL, of the District of Waimea East, Innkeeper, Applicant.—2 acres, being parts "1 and 2 of Section 26" on plan of the said district. (W. Rout, Broker.)

MAURICE HARRIS, of the City of Christchurch, in the Province of Canterbury, Merchant, Applicant.—12 perches or thereabouts, being part of Section "444" on plan of the City of Nelson. Bounded—North and South (each 75 feet 8 inches) by other parts of same section; East (45 feet) by a private road of 16 feet wide, with a right of way over the same; West (45 feet) by Trafalgar Street. (W. Rout, Broker.)

THOMAS PAYNE, of the City of Nelson, Furniture Broker, Applicant.—20 perches, being part of Section "623" on plan of the said city. Bounded—North (230 links) by Bronti Street; East (271 links) by Section 621; South (230 links) by other part of same Section "623;" West (271 links) 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 9th day of June, 1874, at the Lands Registry Office, Nelson.

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SAMUEL KINGDON,  
District Land Registrar.

## LAND TRANSFER ACT NOTICES.

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FRANCIS COULTHARD.—52 acres, southern portion of Allotment 14, Parish of Awitu, County of Eden. No. 690.

HUGH REYNOLDS.—The block originally Native land, known as "Te Kuwaru," containing 49 acres, situated at Wangaroa, District of Mongonui. No. 714.

EVELYN ARTHUR RICH.—Allotments 174, 175, 304, 306, 307, 309, 310, 313, 314, 315, 316, 317, 319, 321, 322, 323, 324, 329, 330, Parish of Te Rapa, and Allotments 191, 192A, Parish of Ngaroto, County of Waikato. No. 716

JOHN HENRY SALMON.—394 acres 3 roods, called "The Wahapu," situated at the entrance of the Kawakawa River, Bay of Islands. No. 717.

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Dated this 29th day of May, 1874, at the Lands Registry Office, Auckland.

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GEO. B. DAVY,  
District Land Registrar.

## LAND TRANSFER ACT NOTICE.

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Town Allotment No. 54, 1 rood, Urenui Township.

Rural Allotments Nos. 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 30, 31, 32, and 33, Urenui District, containing together 501 acres.—THOMAS WILSON, of Manutahi, Province of Taranaki, Farmer, Applicant.

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

Diagrams may be inspected at this office.

Dated this 5th day of June, 1874, at the Lands Registry Office, New Plymouth.

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A. S. DOUGLAS,  
District Land Registrar.

## KANIERI LAKE WATER RACE COMPANY, LIMITED.

**N**OTICE.—This is to give notice that FREDERICK ALLAN LEARMONTH was appointed Manager of "The Kanieri Lake Water Race Company, Limited," on the 23rd day of May, 1874, in the place of Ambrose Creber resigned; and that the situation of the registered office of the Company is removed to the office of the said Frederick Allan Learmonth, Revell Street, Hokitika, in the Province of Westland.

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JAS. A. BONAR, }  
JAMES HOLMES, } Directors.