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*Reduction of Rates on Postal Packets.*

(L.S.)            NORMANBY, Governor.  
 A PROCLAMATION.

WHEREAS by the eighth section of "The New Zealand Post Office Act, 1858," it is, amongst other things, enacted that it shall be lawful for the Governor in Council from time to time, by Proclamation to be published in the *New Zealand Gazette*, to fix, alter, and abolish the rates of postage at any time payable within the colony for the transmission of letters (in which term is included, amongst other things, packets, newspapers, and books) by post between places within New Zealand, and at what time the same shall be paid, and that the postage so made payable shall be charged and paid accordingly: And whereas by Proclamation duly made and issued, bearing date the twelfth day of October, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-five, the Governor in Council did, in pursuance of the said recited power and authority, fix certain rates of postage, and the times at which the same respectively should be paid as therein mentioned: And whereas it is desirable that the rates on book packets and pattern parcels posted in the colony for delivery within the colony should be altered, and that other rates of postage should be fixed as hereinafter mentioned:

Now therefore, His Excellency the Governor of New Zealand, in exercise of the said recited power and authority, and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council thereof, doth hereby abolish all former rates of postage fixed to be paid within the colony on book packets and pattern parcels for delivery within the colony, and doth proclaim and declare that the postage payable on all book packets and pattern parcels posted in the colony for delivery within the colony shall be according to the rates mentioned in the Schedule hereto, and that such postage shall in all cases be paid at the time such book packets and pattern parcels are delivered into the post; and, with the like advice and consent as aforesaid, doth further proclaim and declare that this Proclamation shall take effect from and after the

first day of February, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-six.

SCHEDULE.

BOOK PACKETS AND PATTERN PARCELS.

No book packet must exceed 5 lbs. in weight, and no pattern parcel 24 oz. in weight.

For delivery at or from the same Post Office at which the same are posted, or at or from any other Post Office within the colony—

	s.	d.
Not exceeding two ounces in weight	...	0 1
Above two ounces but not exceeding four ounces in weight	...	0 2
Every additional four ounces or fraction of four ounces in weight	...	0 2

Given under the hand of His Excellency the Most Honorable George Augustus Constantine, Marquis of Normanby, Earl of Mulgrave, Viscount Normanby, and Baron Mulgrave of Mulgrave, all in the County of York, in the Peerage of the United Kingdom; and Baron Mulgrave of New Ross, in the County of Wexford, in the Peerage of Ireland; a Member of Her Majesty's Most Honorable Privy Council; Knight Commander of the Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George; Governor and Commander-in-Chief in and over Her Majesty's Colony of New Zealand and its Dependencies, and Vice-Admiral of the same; and issued under the Seal of the said Colony, at Wellington, this twenty-seventh day of January, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and seventy-six.

WILLIAM H. REYNOLDS.

Approved in Council.

FORSTER GORING,  
 Clerk of the Executive Council.

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN!

**ERRATUM.**—In notification of appointment of Registrars of Births, &c., at page 38 of the *New Zealand Gazette*, 1876, for "Thomas Francis Norris, Esq.," read "Thomas Francis Morris, Esq."

*By-laws, Rules, and Regulations to be in force on the following Lines of Railway—viz., Invercargill to Mataura Railway—Invercargill to Mataura; Winton to Kingston Railway—Winton to Elbow; Moeraki to Waitaki Railway—Oamaru to Waitaki.*

NORMANBY, Governor.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government House, at Wellington, this twenty-fifth day of January, 1876.

Present:

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR IN COUNCIL.

WHEREAS under the provisions of "The Immigration and Public Works Act, 1870," and the several Acts amending the same, and other Acts, certain lines of railway have been constructed by the Governor in the Province of Otago:

And whereas by "The Immigration and Public Works Act, 1875," the Governor in Council is authorized to make regulations and by-laws applicable to all railways constructed by him under the authority of the said hereinbefore mentioned Acts, and actually open for traffic, whether the whole of such railway shall have been completed or not; and whenever it shall be necessary to extend the operation of such regulations and by-laws to any particular railway, it shall be lawful for the Governor, by a notification published in the *New Zealand Gazette*, to extend the operation of such by-laws to the railway or railways named therein, and that, from and after a day to be fixed in such notification, the regulations and by-laws so made as aforesaid shall for all purposes be, and be deemed to be, the regulations and by-laws in force for the railway or railways named therein:

Now, therefore, His Excellency the Governor of New Zealand, with the advice and consent of the Executive Council thereof, and in exercise and pursuance of all powers and authorities enabling him in this behalf, doth hereby extend the operation of the By-laws, Rules, and Regulations published or to be published in the *New Zealand Gazette*, No. 4, dated 27th January, 1876, to the lines of railway mentioned in the Schedule hereto; said By-laws, Rules, and Regulations to be from that date deemed to be the regulations and by-laws in force for the railways named in the Schedule aforesaid.

SCHEDULE.

Invercargill to Mataura Railway—Invercargill to Mataura.

Winton to Kingston Railway—Winton to Elbow.

Moeraki to Waitaki Railway—Oamaru to Waitaki.

FORSTER GORING,  
Clerk of the Executive Council.

*Making and confirming By-Laws, Rules, and Regulations on Railways applicable to all Railways constructed by the Government, under the authority of the Immigration and Public Works Acts.*

NORMANBY, Governor.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government House, at Wellington, this twenty-fifth day of January, 1876.

Present:

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR IN COUNCIL.

WHEREAS under the provisions of "The Immigration and Public Works Act, 1870," and the several Acts amending the same, and other Acts, certain lines of railway have been constructed by the Governor:

And whereas under the provisions of the said hereinbefore mentioned Acts and the enactments incorporated therewith, the Governor in Council is empowered to make regulations and by-laws for the following purposes, that is to say,—

For regulating the mode by which, and the speed at which, carriages using the said railways are to be moved or propelled;

For regulating the times of the arrival and departure of any such carriages;

For regulating the loading or unloading of such carriages, and the weights which they are respectively to carry;

For regulating the receipt and delivery of goods and other things which are to be conveyed upon such carriages;

For preventing the smoking of tobacco and the commission of any other nuisance in or upon such carriages, or in any of the stations or premises occupied by the General Manager in connection with the said railways;

And generally, for regulating the travelling upon or using and working of the said railways:

And whereas by "The Immigration and Public Works Act, 1875," it is enacted that the Governor in Council may make regulations and by-laws applicable to all railways constructed by him under the authority of the said hereinbefore mentioned Acts, and actually open for traffic, whether the whole of such railway shall be completed or not, and that whenever it shall be necessary to extend the operation of such regulations and by-laws to any particular railway, it shall be lawful for the Governor to do so in the manner in the said Act provided:

And whereas it is expedient that regulations and by-laws should be made in respect of the said lines of railway:

Now, therefore, His Excellency the Governor of New Zealand, with the advice and consent of the Executive Council thereof, and in exercise and pursuance of all powers and authorities enabling him in this behalf, doth hereby make the By-laws, Rules, and Regulations hereto annexed, as By-laws, Rules, and Regulations applicable to the said lines of railway for the purposes aforesaid.

BY-LAWS, RULES, AND REGULATIONS FOR REGULATING THE TRAVELLING UPON AND USING OF THE RAILWAYS IN NEW ZEALAND CONSTRUCTED BY THE GOVERNOR OF NEW ZEALAND, UNDER THE IMMIGRATION AND PUBLIC WORKS ACTS.

*Passenger Traffic.*

No person will be admitted to the booking office at any station whilst the door is closed for making up and despatching any train, and no passenger will be allowed to take his or her seat in or upon any carriage used on the railway, or to travel therein upon the railway, without first having paid his or her fare and obtained a ticket.

Tickets will be issued conditionally, that is to say, in case there shall be room in the train for all the passengers to whom tickets shall have been issued. If there shall not be room for all such passengers, the holders of periodical tickets shall have the priority over holders of return and single tickets, and the fare will be returned, on application to the Station Master, to the holders of such return and single tickets as shall be unable to obtain seats.

If any person travel or attempt to travel in any carriage on the railway without having previously paid his fare, and with intent to evade payment thereof; or if any person, having paid his fare for a certain distance, knowingly and wilfully proceed in any such carriage beyond such distance without previously paying the additional fare for the addi-

tional distance, and with intent to evade payment thereof; or if any person knowingly and wilfully refuse or neglect on arriving at the point to which he has paid his fare to quit such carriage, every such person shall for every such offence be liable to a penalty not exceeding forty shillings.

If any person be discovered either in or after committing or attempting to commit such offence as in the preceding clause mentioned, all officers and servants and other persons on behalf of the Superintendent, and all constables, gaolers, and peace officers, may lawfully apprehend and detain such person until he can be conveniently taken before some Justice, or until he be otherwise discharged by due course of law.

No return or periodical ticket will be available for special trains.

Every passenger, on arriving at the station for which he or she may have taken a ticket, or to or from which he or she may hold a periodical ticket, shall quit the station and premises of the railway; and no person shall be allowed to loiter about the stations, wharf, or premises, or any part thereof; and if any passenger or other person shall refuse to quit the station, wharf, or premises aforesaid, on being requested so to do by any Station Master or any servant attached to the railway or wharf, such passenger or person may be expelled by such Station Master or other servant as aforesaid from the railway premises.

No gunpowder or other explosive or dangerous material shall be carried by any passenger train.

Each passenger, on paying his fare, will be furnished with a ticket, which he is to show whenever required by any Station Master or authorized Porter, or by the Guard in charge of the train; and if it be a return ticket, he must allow it to be marked when required; and every ticket (whether single, return, or periodical) must be delivered up on the demand of any porter or servant authorized to collect tickets. Single tickets not used on the day of issue, or a return ticket not used within the prescribed time, shall be deemed to be cancelled. Any person offending against the provisions of this regulation shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding five pounds.

Tickets are not transferable; and any person using or attempting to use a transferred ticket, or a ticket the time for the proper use of which has expired, shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding five pounds.

Any person knowingly, and with intent to defraud, travelling upon the railway in a carriage of a superior class to that for which he is provided with a ticket, or altering a return or other ticket, shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding ten pounds.

Tickets, whether single or return, shall be used by passengers only to convey them to the station named thereon, or to a station short of that destination. In no case, however, shall any "cheap excursion" ticket be used for any other station than that for which such ticket is issued. Any person using or attempting to use a ticket in violation of the provisions of this section shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding two pounds.

No person will be allowed to break his journey by stopping at any intermediate station, and thereafter proceeding by a subsequent train with the same ticket, under a penalty not exceeding two pounds.

Any person, not duly authorized by the Superintendent, who shall sell or offer for sale any free pass ticket or portion of a return ticket, shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding two pounds.

No male passenger shall be allowed to enter any waiting-room or carriage set apart for the accommodation of females; and any person remaining in any such room or carriage after being warned to

leave the same shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding two pounds.

Any person, not being a railway servant, who shall open any carriage for the purpose of entering the same after the tickets have been examined and the carriage doors locked by the person appointed for that purpose, or who shall let himself out of any carriage, or attempt to do so, at any station or at any time during the journey, by the use of a private key or other instrument, shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding two pounds.

No person shall, without the consent of the Superintendent or other authorized officer, travel outside a carriage on any railway under any circumstances, or get into or upon or quit any railway carriage when the train is in motion; and any person doing so, or attempting to do so, shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding two pounds.

Smoking is strictly prohibited in any of the railway sheds, offices, or waiting-rooms; and any person found so smoking shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding two pounds.

Smoking is strictly prohibited in any railway carriage except those set apart for the purpose; and any person found smoking in a carriage not set apart for the purpose shall forfeit a penalty not exceeding two pounds, and may be removed from the carriage by any railway servant.

Dogs will be conveyed and charged for according to printed conditions, but will not on any account be allowed to accompany passengers in the carriages. Any person persisting in taking a dog into a passenger carriage shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding two pounds.

No gratuity shall be, under any circumstances, allowed to be received by a railway servant, on pain of dismissal. Any person giving or offering a gratuity to any such servant shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding two pounds.

Any person making use of insulting or abusive language to any railway officer or servant while in the execution of his duty, or making use of indecent or blasphemous language in any carriage or upon any railway platform or premises, shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding five pounds.

Any person in or upon any railway carriage or station, being in a state of intoxication, or committing any nuisance, or gambling, or wilfully interfering with the comfort of any passenger, shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding five pounds, and to removal from such carriage or station as soon as shall be practicable.

Any person driving or attempting to drive sheep, horses, cattle, or other animals across the railway, either at an authorized crossing-place or elsewhere, when an approaching train is in sight, shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding five pounds.

No driver or conductor of any cab, hackney carriage, omnibus, express, or other public vehicle, shall ply for hire within the railway premises without a license in writing from the Superintendent or other authorized officer; and any person offending contrary to this section shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding five pounds.

No person will be allowed to come upon any railway platform for the purpose of removing any passenger or luggage, unless required by a passenger and engaged by him for such purpose, and no person will be allowed to come upon any railway premises for the purpose of soliciting custom or hire. Any person attempting to evade or being guilty of a breach of this section, or not quitting the premises when required by a Station Master or other railway servant, shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding two pounds.

Any person, unless authorized by the Superintendent, who shall post or stick any placard or bill

within or on any of the property or premises shall be subject to a penalty not exceeding two pounds.

Any person who shall wilfully injure, wholly or in part, any of the linings or blinds, or break or deface any of the windows, or remove or injure any number-plate or advertisement, or remove or extinguish any of the lamps, or otherwise damage any railway carriage, shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding five pounds, in addition to the payment of the amount of damage done.

No article shall be sold on any railway premises without the consent of the Superintendent, and every person offending against the provisions of this section shall forfeit a sum not exceeding five pounds.

All persons employed on or about the railway or wharf are strictly prohibited from using the refreshment-room; and every such person partaking of intoxicating liquor at such refreshment-room will be liable to instant dismissal.

Any person attending upon the refreshment-room who shall supply an employé on or about the railway or wharf with intoxicating liquor shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding two pounds, and shall be dismissed from their service.

#### *Merchandise.*

The railway will not be accountable for any articles unless the same be signed for as received by their clerks or agents; nor will they be responsible for the loss of or damage to money in cash, or bills, or promissory notes, or securities for money, or jewellery, trinkets, rings, precious stones, bullion, gold and silver plate, clocks, watches, mirrors, marbles, lace, furs, silks, writings, title deeds, prints, paintings, maps, or other valuables; nor for damage done to china, glass, musical instruments, furniture, toys, castings, or any other such hazardous or brittle articles, unless they shall have been declared as such, and a special agreement entered into for the same; nor for any loss or damage to any goods in their hands as carriers, or in their warehouse, or on their landing-places, arising from fire (except from their own engine or apparatus), the act of God, civil commotion, or foreign enemies; nor for the loss of or damage done to goods put into boxes or packages described as empties; nor for damage of any goods or packages insufficiently or improperly packed, or containing a variety of articles liable by breaking to damage each other or other articles; nor for leakage, nor for any loss or damage whatsoever by reason of accidental or unavoidable delays in transit or otherwise.

No claim for loss or damage will be allowed unless specified in writing, and made within two days after delivery in case of partial loss or damage, or within seven days after the due time of delivery in case of total loss.

The railway will refuse to receive for carriage any goods which in the judgment of their agents may be of a dangerous nature; and senders of any dangerous articles will be held accountable for any damage arising therefrom, unless the contents shall have been declared at the time of delivery.

Fruit, fish, meat, poultry, and any other perishable articles, not taken away within six hours after arrival at the station to which they are consigned, may be forthwith sold, by auction or otherwise, without notice to the sender or consignee; and payment or tender of the net proceeds of any such sale, after deduction of freight and expenses, shall be accepted as equivalent to delivery.

All empties not taken away within one month after arrival will be sold to defray expenses.

All goods are received and will be held by the railway subject to a general lien for money due, not

only for the carriage of such goods, and for wharfage and warehouse rent, but also for any general balance that may be due from the owner. And in case any goods should not be claimed within three calendar months after their arrival at the station to which they are consigned, they will be sold by auction or otherwise, and the proceeds applied towards satisfaction of such general lien and expenses.

All goods and merchandise, whether bonded or free, and all luggage, having arrived at its destination, shall be removed by the consignees from the platform and sheds within twelve working hours; and any free goods, merchandise, or luggage not removed by that time, may be stored at the risk and expense of the consignees or owners, and will become subject to such charges as may from time to time be fixed by the railway; and any bonded goods or merchandise which shall not be removed within the period aforesaid shall be subject to the payment of the sum of two shillings per ton per day until the removal of the same from the railway premises.

Any goods, merchandise, or luggage, arriving at any station, which shall not be removed from the railway premises within twelve working hours, may be forwarded to the most convenient storing place at the expense of the consignee or owner, and there stored at his risk and expense.

N.B.—The above conditions apply to all parcels and goods received by the railways at their respective offices and warehouses, wherever situate.

All tolls and charges and warehousing charges must be paid immediately to the person duly authorized to receive the same.

FORSTER GORING,  
Clerk of the Executive Council.

#### *Fixing Tolls, Rates, and Charges for Passengers, &c., on certain Railways in the Province of Otago.*

NORMANBY, Governor.  
ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government House, at Wellington, this twenty-fifth day of January, 1876.

Present:

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR IN COUNCIL.

WHEREAS certain lines of railway, as described in the First Schedule hereunder, have, under the provisions of "The Immigration and Public Works Act, 1870," and other Acts, been constructed by the Governor in the Province of Otago: And whereas an agreement has been made between the Governor and the Superintendent of Otago, whereby the Governor has granted the right to work and maintain the said lines of railways to the Superintendent of the said province: And whereas the Superintendent of the said province has, in exercise and pursuance of all powers and authorities enabling him in that behalf, made the tolls, fares, and charges for passengers, animals, carriages, goods, merchandise, minerals, articles, and things:

Now, therefore, His Excellency the Governor of New Zealand, with the advice and consent of the Executive Council thereof, and in exercise and pursuance of all powers and authorities enabling him in this behalf, doth hereby make, approve of, allow, and fix the tolls, fares, and charges for passengers, animals, carriages, goods, merchandise, minerals, articles, and things enumerated in the Second Schedule hereunder, for the said lines of railway mentioned in the said First Schedule.

#### FIRST SCHEDULE.

Invercargill to Maitauro Railway—Invercargill to Maitauro.

Winton to Kingston Railway—Winton to Elbow.  
Moeraki to Waitaki Railway—Oamaru to Waitaki.  
Dunedin to Clutha Railway—Dunedin to Clutha.

SECOND SCHEDULE.

RAILWAY RATES OR TOLLS.

SHIP goods to be carried according to weights and measurements in bills of lading.

RATES.

Ordinary goods and general merchandise, and all goods not otherwise specified, per ton per mile, 7d.

*Iron.* s. d.  
Bar, rod, bundles, plates and sheets ... 0 6

*Agricultural Produce.*

By dead weight of 2,240 lbs. to the ton, this term being understood to include all kinds of *grain, flour, oatmeal, turnips, carrots, potatoes, bran, pollard, chaff, hay and straw* (pressed), at per ton per mile 0 4

*Hay and straw*, loose, at per truck per mile 1 0

Minimum charge per truck ... 5 0

Consignments under one ton to be charged at ordinary merchandise rates.

*Preserved meats and tallow* at per ton per mile ... 0 3

*Minerals.*

This rate applies to coal, coke, rock salt, lime, sand, bricks, stone, cement, and slates, 7 miles and under, at per ton ... 2 6

Over 7 miles, at per ton per mile ... 0 4

Minimum charge as for four tons.

*Wool.*

12 miles and under, per bale ... 2 0

Over 12 miles, at per bale per mile ... 0 1½

*Flax.*

By dead weight, 10 miles and under, per ton 5 0

Over 10 miles, at per ton per mile ... 0 6

*Sawn Timber.*

12 miles and under, per 100 feet sup. ... 1 0

Over 12 miles, at per 100 feet sup. per mile 0 1

Piles and logs at sawn timber rates, calculating contents.

*Saw-mill Rates, and for Whole Cargoes.*

12 miles and under, per 100 feet sup. ... 0 6

Over 12 miles, at per 100 feet sup. per mile 0 0½

Carried at owners' risk, and loaded and discharged by owners.

If trucks are delayed in unloading over 12 working hours, 6s. per truck per working day demurrage to be charged; or, if unloaded by the department, a charge of 4s. per truck to be made, each load to be limited to five tons dead weight.

*Firewood.*

This rate applies to posts and rails (split), palings, shingles, and staves.

Rate per truck per mile ... 1 0

Minimum per truck ... 7 0

This rate does not include loading and discharging.

*Sheep, Pigs, &c.*

Up to 10 miles, per truck per mile ... 1 6

Over 10 miles, per truck per mile (added) ... 1 0

Half trucks charged two-thirds the price of a whole truck.

Minimum charge per truck ... 10 0

15 sheep }  
20 lambs } form half a truck.  
15 pigs }

For a whole truck, consignors may load as many as a truck will hold, if signed for at owners' risk.

*Parcel Rates.*

For a distance up to 10 miles, and not exceeding 14 lbs. ... 0 6

For a distance up to 10 miles, and not exceeding 56 lbs. ... 0 9

For a distance up to 10 miles, and not exceeding 112 lbs. ... 1 0

Every *additional five miles*, 1d. additional.

*Parcels* over 1 cwt. to be charged at goods rates; but highest parcel rate to be minimum charge.

N.B.—*Parcels* must be delivered at the respective stations at least ten minutes before the departure of the train they are intended to be forwarded by.

*Rates for Dogs.*

For a distance not exceeding 10 miles, each 0 6

Any distance over 10, and not exceeding 20 miles ... 0 9

Any distance over 20, and not exceeding 30 miles ... 1 0

Any distance over 30, and not exceeding 40 miles ... 1 3

Any distance over 40, and not exceeding 80 miles ... 1 9

Any distance over 80, and not exceeding 100 miles ... 2 0

Dogs are not allowed to be taken into the carriages, but will be tied up in the van.

No dog is taken unless secured by a chain and collar, or safely packed in a basket or crate. The charge for the carriage of a dog must in every case be prepaid.

*Sheep, rams, goats, calves, pigs*, and other small animals (*except dogs*), when conveyed in van, to be charged as follows:—

*Small calves, pigs, sheep, goats*, and other small animals (*except dogs and rams*), up to 56 lbs. weight, to be charged ordinary parcel rates.

*Rams and large calves* to be charged 2d. per mile each, with the minimum rate of 3s.

*Passenger Rates.*

First Class, per mile ... 0 3

Second Class, per mile ... 0 2

Return Tickets, one fare and a half.

SPECIAL TRAINS.

10s. per mile; minimum charge, £3.

SEASON-TICKET RATES.

FIRST CLASS.

Miles.	12 Months.	6 Months.	3 Months.	1 Month.
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
1	3 0 0	1 15 0	1 2 6	0 10 0
2	3 0 0	1 15 0	1 2 6	0 10 0
3	3 0 0	1 15 0	1 2 6	0 10 0
4	6 15 0	3 15 0	2 5 0	1 0 0
5	7 10 0	4 10 0	2 10 0	1 2 6
6	8 10 0	5 5 0	3 0 0	1 7 0
7	9 10 0	5 15 0	3 5 0	1 10 0
8	10 10 0	6 10 0	3 15 0	1 14 0
9	11 10 0	7 0 0	4 0 0	1 16 0
10	12 10 0	7 10 0	4 10 0	2 0 0
11	13 10 0	8 5 0	4 15 0	2 3 0
12	14 14 0	8 15 0	5 5 0	2 7 0
13	15 10 0	9 10 0	5 10 0	2 10 0
14	16 10 0	10 0 0	6 0 0	2 14 0
15	17 10 0	10 10 0	6 5 0	2 16 0
16	18 10 0	11 0 0	6 15 0	3 0 0
17	19 5 0	11 10 0	7 0 0	3 3 0
18	20 0 0	12 0 0	7 5 0	3 5 0
19	20 15 0	12 10 0	7 10 0	3 7 0
20	21 10 0	13 0 0	7 15 0	3 10 0

## SECOND CLASS.

Miles.	12 Months.	6 Months.	3 Months.	1 Month.
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
1	2 5 0	1 2 6	0 15 0	0 6 6
2	2 5 0	1 2 6	0 15 0	0 6 6
3	2 5 0	1 2 6	0 15 0	0 6 6
4	4 15 0	3 0 0	1 15 0	0 16 0
5	5 15 0	3 10 0	2 0 0	0 18 0
6	6 10 0	4 0 0	2 5 0	1 0 0
7	7 5 0	4 10 0	2 10 0	1 2 6
8	8 0 0	5 0 0	2 15 0	1 5 0
9	8 15 0	5 10 0	3 0 0	1 7 0
10	9 10 0	6 0 0	3 5 0	1 10 0
11	10 5 0	6 10 0	3 10 0	1 12 0
12	11 0 0	7 0 0	3 15 0	1 14 0
13	11 15 0	7 10 0	4 0 0	1 16 0
14	12 10 0	8 0 0	4 5 0	1 18 0
15	13 15 0	8 10 0	4 10 0	2 0 0
16	14 0 0	9 0 0	4 15 0	2 3 0
17	14 10 0	9 10 0	5 0 0	2 5 0
18	15 5 0	9 15 0	5 5 0	2 7 0
19	15 15 0	10 5 0	5 10 0	2 10 0
20	16 5 0	10 10 0	5 10 0	2 10 0

Season tickets will be issued at half the usual rates to scholars under 17 years of age, and to apprentices and artied pupils under 21 years of age, upon production of satisfactory certificates from the authorities of the school, or from the employers, as the case may be. Season tickets are not transferable; and if used by any other than the person to whom they are issued, they are forfeited.

Holders of season tickets must undertake to produce their tickets for examination when required to do so by the proper officer of the railway, and to sign their names when desired so to do in the books of the railway provided for that purpose.

In the event of the loss of a season ticket, the holder will not be entitled to another in lieu thereof without another payment.

Season tickets are required to be delivered up to the Railway Department on or before the date of expiry, on which date they cease to be in force.

Season tickets may be obtained at any date on application either personally or in writing at the Traffic Manager's Office, Invercargill, and the General Manager's Office, Dunedin, or by written application transmitted through any of the railway Station Masters. Twenty-four hours' notice should be given in all cases. Applicants will be required to subscribe to the railway rules, by-laws, and regulations, before the tickets can be delivered to them.

## GENERAL REGULATIONS.

*Mean Time kept at all Stations.*

*Notice.*—In order to secure the punctual departure of trains, passengers are requested to be at the stations at least five minutes before the time appointed for starting, and earlier if they have luggage, as the Government cannot be responsible for passengers not going by any train, unless they have taken their seats before the time it is due to start, or for any luggage not being sent on if it is not in the station, and labelled, at least five minutes before the advertised time of departure of the train.

Children under three years travel free; those above three years and under twelve, at half-price.

Tickets must be shown to the railway servants, or delivered up to them when demanded. Parties not producing their tickets are liable to be charged the fare from the most distant station from which the train shall have started. They are only available on the day of issue, and are not transferable. Parties cannot re-book at an intermediate station by the same train. No tickets will be issued after a train arrives at an intermediate station.

*Tickets.*—Passengers are requested to examine

their tickets and change before leaving the booking office counter, as mistakes cannot afterwards be rectified.

The Government will not undertake to make any allowance for tickets lost, mislaid, or not used.

*Luggage.*—Every first-class passenger may take with him, without extra payment, 120 lbs.; every second-class passenger, 100 lbs. of luggage. All other luggage must be paid for, at half-parcel rates, according to weight. The Government will not in any case be liable for luggage taken with the passengers into the carriages, but only when it is labelled and placed in the luggage van.

*Incivility.*—The Government requests that any instance of incivility or misconduct on the part of the persons employed at the stations may be directly reported to the General Manager.

N.B.—The Government appoint that the under-mentioned sums be paid them for warehousing passengers' luggage, which has been, or which is about to be, conveyed on their railway, viz.,—

For any period not exceeding three days, 2d. for each package; and after three days, 1d. additional for each package per day or part of a day.

And they hereby give notice that they will not be answerable for loss or injury to any such package beyond the value of £5, unless at the time of the delivery of such package to them the true value and nature thereof, and of the article or articles, or property therein, shall have been declared by the person delivering the same, and a sum at the rate of 1d. per pound sterling of the declared value be paid for such package for each day or part of a day for which the same shall be left, in addition to the before-mentioned ordinary warehouse charges.

Every person depositing luggage will be furnished with a receipt, stating the number and description of the articles deposited, which receipt must be given up to the railway servants upon their delivery of the articles thereon described; and the Government give notice that they will not deliver up luggage except to persons producing the proper receipt for the respective articles claimed, which delivery shall acquit the Government from all further claims in respect thereof.

The Government will not be responsible, under any circumstances, for loss of, or injury to, any articles, except deposited in the cloak-room.

Articles of merchandize, such as hampers or cases, furniture, household stores, &c., will not be received at the cloak-rooms; and such packages can only be forwarded through the parcels or goods offices as parcel or goods, and they must in all cases be fully addressed.

FORSTER GOBING,  
Clerk of the Executive Council.

*Appointing additional Gazettes under "The Debtors and Creditors Act, 1875."*

NORMANBY, Governor.

WHEREAS by the fifth section of "The Debtors and Creditors Act, 1875," it is, amongst other things, enacted that the term "Gazette" in the said Act shall mean any newspaper or newspapers to be from time to time appointed by the Governor for each district: And whereas by a Proclamation dated the twenty-second day of December, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-five, the districts named in the Schedule hereto were, amongst others, constituted districts under the said Act: And whereas by a notice also dated the twenty-second day of December, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-five, certain newspapers were appointed Gazettes for such districts respectively: And whereas by a further notice dated the twelfth day of January instant,

certain other newspapers were appointed Gazettes under the said Act: And whereas it is expedient to appoint other newspapers Gazettes in addition to those appointed as aforesaid: Now therefore, I, George Augustus Constantine, Marquis of Normanby, the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, in pursuance and exercise of the power and authority vested in me, do hereby appoint that, for the districts named in the Schedule hereto, the newspapers the names whereof are in the said Schedule set opposite to the names of such districts shall be the Gazettes for such districts respectively under the said Act, in addition to the newspapers appointed by the said notices of the said twenty-second day of December, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-five, and of the twelfth day of January instant.

SCHEDULE.

Names of Districts.	Names of Newspapers.
Nelson	"The Nelson Daily Times."
Timaru and Oamaru	"The South Canterbury Times."

As witness the hand of His Excellency the Governor this twenty-fifth day of January, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-six.

CHARLES C. BOWEN.

Governors of New Zealand Institute reappointed.

NORMANBY, Governor.

WHEREAS by "The New Zealand Institute Act, 1867," provision is made for the appointment of members of a Board of Governors of the New Zealand Institute, and it is enacted that on the first day of November, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-eight, and on the first day of November in each succeeding year, three members of the said Board of Governors (other than the Governor, the Colonial Secretary, and the Superintendent of the Province of Wellington, respectively, for the time being,) shall retire from office, but shall be eligible for re-appointment: And whereas the Hon. G. M. Waterhouse, M.L.C.; W. T. L. Travers, Esq., F.L.S.; and James Hector, Esq., M.D., C.M.G., F.R.S., three of the members of the said Board of Governors, have retired from office, and are eligible for reappointment under the provisions of the said Act:

And whereas by the said Act it is also provided that, on the annual retirement of the said three members, the successors of such retiring members shall be appointed by the Governor:

Now therefore, I, George Augustus Constantine, Marquis of Normanby, the Governor of New Zealand, in pursuance and exercise of the power and authority in that behalf vested in me by the said Act, do hereby reappoint

The Hon. G. M. WATERHOUSE, M.L.C.;

W. T. L. TRAVERS, Esq., F.L.S.; and

JAMES HECTOR, Esq., M.D., C.M.G., F.R.S.,

to be Governors of the Institution called the New Zealand Institute.

Given under the hand of His Excellency the Most Honorable George Augustus Constantine, Marquis of Normanby, Earl of Mulgrave, Viscount Normanby, and Baron Mulgrave of Mulgrave, all in the County of York, in the Peerage of the United Kingdom; and Baron Mulgrave of New Ross, in the County of Wexford, in the Peerage of Ireland; a Member of Her Majesty's Most Honorable Privy

Council; Knight Commander of the Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George; Governor and Commander-in-Chief in and over Her Majesty's Colony of New Zealand and its Dependencies, and Vice-Admiral of the same; at Wellington, this twenty-seventh day of January, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and seventy-six.

CHARLES C. BOWEN,  
(in the absence of the Colonial Secretary).

Deputy Registrar of Marriages, &c. appointed.

Colonial Secretary's Office,  
Wellington, 25th January, 1876.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint

ROBERT ANDERSON BUCHANAN, Esq.,

to be the Deputy of the Registrar of Births, Deaths, and Marriages, for the District of Akaroa, 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 day of May, 1873.

CHARLES C. BOWEN,  
(in the absence of the Colonial Secretary).

Cattle Inspector appointed.

Colonial Secretary's Office,  
Wellington, 26th January, 1876.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint

JOHN DALY, Esq.,

to be Cattle Inspector for the District of Nelson (Northern), under "The Diseased Cattle Act, 1871."

CHARLES C. BOWEN,  
(in the absence of the Colonial Secretary).

Public Vaccinator appointed.

Colonial Secretary's Office,  
Wellington, 26th January, 1876.

IT is hereby notified that, under the provisions of "The Public Health Act, 1872," His Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint the under-mentioned gentleman to be a Public Vaccinator, to perform gratuitous vaccination in accordance with the provisions of the said Act, and any regulations made or to be made thereunder, for the district mentioned in the Schedule hereto, and set opposite his name.

SCHEDULE.

PROVINCE OF AUCKLAND.

FREDERICK GEORGE DALTON, Esq.—Albertland and Mangawai.

Letters of Naturalization granted.

Colonial Secretary's Office,  
Wellington, 27th January, 1876.

HIS 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.
Ah Hee	Storekeeper	Roxburgh.
Wilhelm Ferdinand Ludwig Labes	Farmer	Tuapeka.
Louis Martin Holmes	Draper	Masterton.

CHARLES C. BOWEN,  
(in the absence of the Colonial Secretary).



*Coroner appointed.*

Department of Justice,  
Wellington, 26th January, 1876.

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

EDWARD SHAW, Esq.,

of Reefton, to be a Coroner within the colony.

CHARLES C. BOWEN.

*Sheriff appointed.*

Department of Justice,  
Wellington, 26th January, 1876.

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

EDWARD SHAW, Esq.,

to be Sheriff of the District of Central Westland, vice Charles Broad, Esq., transferred.

The appointment to date from the 1st proximo.

CHARLES C. BOWEN.

*Registrar of Supreme Court appointed.*

Department of Justice,  
Wellington, 18th January, 1876.

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

FREDERIC DE CARTERET MALET, Esq.,

to be Registrar at Christchurch of the Supreme Court of New Zealand, vice E. S. Willcocks, Esq., transferred.

The appointment to date from the 1st proximo.

CHARLES C. BOWEN.

*Examiner of Titles appointed.*

Department of Justice,  
Wellington, 25th January, 1876.

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

THOMAS COTTER, Esq.,

to be an Examiner of Titles in and for the Districts of Canterbury and Otago, under the provisions of "The Land Transfer Act, 1870."

The appointment takes effect on and from the 17th day of January instant.

CHARLES C. BOWEN.

*Clerk of Resident Magistrate's Court appointed.*

Department of Justice,  
Wellington, 27th January, 1876.

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

WILLIAM GEORGE WALKER, Esq.,

to be Clerk of the Resident Magistrate's Court for the District of Christchurch.

The appointment to date from the 1st proximo.

CHARLES C. BOWEN.

*Clerk in Treasury appointed.*

Treasury,  
Wellington, 26th January, 1876.

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

GEORGE E. LANGRIDGE, Esq.,

to be a Clerk in the Colonial Treasury, from the 26th instant, vice A. G. Wiggins, transferred to Government Insurance Department.

H. A. ATKINSON.

*Appointment of Postmasters.*

General Post Office,  
Wellington, 21st January, 1876.

**I**N virtue of the powers delegated to the Postmaster-General by His Excellency the Governor, the following appointments have been made in the Postal Service of the colony.

W. H. REYNOLDS,  
Acting Postmaster-General.

Name.	To be Postmaster at	In what Province.	From
Daniel Dutton	Anderson's Bay	Otago	1 Oct. 1875
James Ellis	Aotea	Auckland	1 Nov. 1875
Alex. Barclay	Awatere	Marlborough	1 Jan. 1876
James Gwyn	Broad Bay	Otago	1 Jan. 1876
T. H. Zouch	Cust	Canterbury	1 Jan. 1876
C. S. Emerson	Cheviot	Nelson	1 Nov. 1875
Joseph Tamblin	Coal Creek Flat	Otago	15 Oct. 1875
Henry Wake	Clarkville	Canterbury	1 Jan. 1876
W. T. Ward	Clyde	Otago	1 Jan. 1876
Charles Kerr	Forest Hill	Otago	1 Nov. 1875
Robert Loudon	Feilding	Wellington	1 Jan. 1876
John Black	Greytown	Otago	1 Oct. 1875
William Hoperoft	Gummie's Bsh.	Otago	1 Nov. 1875
Charles C. Webb	Gore	Otago	21 Dec. 1875
Thomas Borland	Groper's Bush	Otago	1 Jan. 1876
Samuel Stone	Havelock	Hawke's Bay	1 Oct. 1875
Robert Dearsley	Halket Town	Canterbury	1 Oct. 1875
Daniel Niall	Hinds	Canterbury	1 Dec. 1875
Thomas McEwen	Harrisville	Otago	13 Nov. 1875
David Wright	Hastings	Hawke's Bay	1 Dec. 1875
T. L. Miller	Hokianga	Auckland	1 Dec. 1875
George Eyre	Hotea North	Auckland	1 Jan. 1876
Amos McKegg	Henley	Otago	1 Jan. 1876
S. W. Palmer	Hororata	Canterbury	1 Jan. 1876
W. O. Duthie	Highcliffe	Otago	1 Jan. 1876
George F. Robinson	Inglewood	Taranaki	1 Nov. 1875
John Maddison	Irwel	Canterbury	1 Jan. 1876
T. C. Robson	Kensington	Otago	1 Oct. 1875
Thomas Warnock	Kimberley	Canterbury	1 Jan. 1876
J. Wright	Kyeburn Dig- gings	Otago	1 Jan. 1876
W. J. Hefferman	Long Bush	Otago	1 Jan. 1876
W. McCloughen	Mackaytown	Auckland	1 Jan. 1876
Nicholas Loys	Makeritu	Hawke's Bay	1 Jan. 1876
E. Pilkington	North Orua- wharo	Auckland	1 Oct. 1875
John Stephens	Nelson Creek	Nelson	1 Oct. 1875
Perry Gillett	Nevesville	Auckland	16 Nov. 1875
James Kirk	Otakia	Otago	1 Oct. 1875
James Calders	Opunaki	Taranaki	1 Feb. 1875
Henry Howell	Orepuki	Otago	1 Dec. 1875
James Wilkie	Ohacawai	Auckland	1 Dec. 1875
Roger D. Dausey	Ohinemutu	Auckland	1 Dec. 1875
William Taylor	Ohoka	Canterbury	1 Jan. 1876
John A. Gates	Pigeon Bay	Canterbury	1 Nov. 1875
Francis Lipsey	Paeroa	Auckland	1 Jan. 1876
William Flynn	Port Fitzroy	Auckland	1 Jan. 1876
Robert T. Button	Peel Forest	Canterbury	1 Jan. 1876
Allan Gilmour	Raglan	Auckland	1 Oct. 1875
Timothy Calnon	Rochfort	Nelson	1 Nov. 1875
James Taylor	Round Hill	Otago	1 Jan. 1876
Peter Suttie Pryde	Riccarton	Canterbury	10 Jan. 1876
Richard Coker	Rangitata	Canterbury	1 Jan. 1876
T. F. Connelly	Springbank	Canterbury	1 Nov. 1875
C. P. Field	Southbridge	Canterbury	1 Dec. 1875
Henry Strickbury	Sheffield	Canterbury	1 Jan. 1876
David Crossgrove	Sandymount	Otago	1 Jan. 1876
James Knarston	Taieri Beach	Otago	1 Oct. 1875
William M. Smith	Turakina	Wellington	1 Nov. 1875
Arthur Munson	Upper Waiau Ferry	Nelson	1 Jan. 1876
John Bannatyne	Waihola	Otago	1 Oct. 1875
Thomas Hunter	Waikaka	Otago	1 July, 1875
William Little	Wairau Creek	Auckland	1 Oct. 1875
M. McDonnell	Wallsend	Westland	1 Dec. 1875
H. Jeffries	Waipu	Auckland	23 April, 1875



*Post Offices opened.*

General Post Office,  
Wellington, 21st January, 1876.

THE following list of additional Post Offices which have been opened in the colony is published for general information.

W. H. REYNOLDS,  
Acting Postmaster-General.

Name of Office.	In what Province.	Circulating Office.
Aotea ...	Auckland ...	Auckland.
Broad Bay ...	Otago ...	Dunedin.
Clarkville ...	Canterbury ...	Christchurch.
Forest Hill ...	Otago ...	Invercargill.
Hinds ...	Canterbury ...	Christchurch.
Harrisville ...	Otago ...	Invercargill.
Hoteo North ...	Auckland ...	Auckland.
Henley ...	Otago ...	Dunedin.
Highcliffe ...	Otago ...	Dunedin.
Inglewood ...	Taranaki ...	New Plymouth.
Kimberley ...	Canterbury ...	Christchurch.
Makeritu ...	Hawke's Bay ...	Napier.
Nevesville ...	Auckland ...	Thames.
Ohaeawai ...	Auckland ...	Auckland.
Port Fitzroy ...	Auckland ...	Auckland.
Peel Forest ...	Canterbury ...	Christchurch.
Round Hill ...	Otago ...	Invercargill.
Springbank ...	Canterbury ...	Christchurch.
Sandymount ...	Otago ...	Dunedin.
Upper Waiau Ferry ...	Nelson ...	Christchurch.
Wallsend ...	Westland ...	Greymouth.

*Post Offices closed.*

General Post Office,  
Wellington, 21st January, 1876.

THE following list of Post Offices which have been closed within the colony is published for general information.

W. H. REYNOLDS,  
Acting Postmaster-General.

Name of Office.	In what Province.	Circulating Office.
Bedstead Gully ...	Nelson ...	Nelson.
Gladstone ...	Otago ...	Invercargill.
Gwavas ...	Hawke's Bay ...	Napier.
Mount Peel ...	Canterbury ...	Christchurch.
Rotorua ...	Auckland ...	Napier.
Tokaanu ...	Auckland ...	Napier.
Taieri Ferry ...	Otago ...	Dunedin.
Takaka ...	Nelson ...	Nelson.
Washdyke ...	Canterbury ...	Christchurch.

*Post Offices reduced to Sub-Post Offices.*

General Post Office,  
Wellington, 27th January, 1876.

IT is hereby notified, for public information, that the Post Offices at

RUSSELL and  
RAGLAN,

in the Province of Auckland, have been reduced to the class of Sub-Post Offices.

THOMAS ROSE,  
(for the Secretary).

*Master's Certificate suspended.*

Customs Department (Marine Branch),  
Wellington, 21st January, 1876.

IT is hereby notified, that His Excellency the Governor has been pleased to confirm the sentence of the Court of Enquiry, held at Dunedin, into the cause of the wreck of the steamer "Lady of

the Lake," which suspended the New Zealand Certificate of Service (No. 2370) held by

FREDERICK HOLLOWAY

for a period of three months.

This suspension will take effect from the 13th instant.

WILLIAM H. REYNOLDS.

*Tender for Firewood accepted.*

Public Works Office,  
(Colonial Architect's Branch)

Wellington, 21st January, 1876.

THE following Tender for Firewood has been accepted by the General Government for the twelve months commencing 1st January, 1876.

W. H. CLAYTON,  
Colonial Architect.

H. E. TONKS, at the following rates:—

Rata, one-foot lengths, £2 10s. (two pounds ten shillings) per cord.

Rata, two-foot lengths, £2 (two pounds) per cord.

*Tenders.*

Public Works Office,  
Wellington, 25th January, 1876.

THE following list of successful and unsuccessful Tenderers is published for general information.

EDWARD RICHARDSON.

DUNEDIN-MOERAKI RAILWAY—KARTIGI CONTRACT.

(FORMATION AND PERMANENT WAY.)

	Accepted.	£	s.	d.
Donald Munro and Joseph Culling, Moeraki ...	58,747	5	10	

*Declined.*

Mathieson Brothers, Dunedin ...	64,008	1	9
David Proudfoot, Dunedin ...	65,359	0	0
J. B. Blair and Co., Mosgiel ...	65,714	13	8
J. Dunbar, Dunedin ...	68,268	11	4
Markham and Barkley, Oamaru ...	69,635	5	2
Allan and Stumbles, Timaru ...	69,829	12	2
Daniel McKenzie, Port Chalmers ...			informal
Wang Sam McPherson, Clutha Bridge ...			informal.

*Insurance Agent appointed.*

Government Insurance Office,  
(Industrial Branch)

Wellington, 25th January, 1876.

THE under-mentioned person has been appointed Agent for the Industrial Branch of this Department, under "The Government Insurance and Annuities Act, 1874," for the place set opposite his name:—

ERNEST CHARLES HUTTON, Temuka.

W. GISBORNE,  
Commissioner.

*Board of Governors of the New Zealand Institute elected.*

"THE NEW ZEALAND INSTITUTE ACT, 1867."

Colonial Museum,  
Wellington, 25th January, 1876.

IT is hereby notified that the following gentlemen have been duly elected by the affiliated Societies to be the three Members of the Board of Governors

of the New Zealand Institute, under the provisions of clause 7 of the above Act, for the year 1876 :—

His Honor J. A. BONAR, M.L.C.,  
J. C. CRAWFORD, Esq., F.G.S.  
T. KIRK, Esq., F.L.S.

W. B. D. MANTELL,  
Acting Manager.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW ZEALAND.

To WILLIAM ISAAC THOMAS, of Levuka, Registrar of the Supreme Court of Fiji.

WHEREAS by "The Commissioners of the Supreme Court Act, 1875," it is enacted, that any Judge of the Supreme Court may appoint Commissioners in any country or place beyond the jurisdiction of the said Court, for the purpose of administering and taking any oath, affidavit, or affirmation, as in the said Act particularly mentioned:

Now therefore, I, Thomas Bannatyne Gillies, a Judge of the Supreme Court of New Zealand, in exercise and pursuance of the powers conferred on me by the said Act, do hereby appoint William Isaac Thomas, of Levuka, Registrar of the Supreme Court of Fiji, to be a Commissioner of the Colony of New Zealand, for the purpose of administering and taking any oath, affidavit, or affirmation, whether in any action, suit, cause, proceeding, matter or thing commenced or pending in the Supreme Court of New Zealand, or any Court of concurrent or inferior jurisdiction in the said colony, or in any proceeding, matter, or thing whatsoever, within the cognizance or jurisdiction of any such Court. This commission to remain in force until he ceases to reside at or near Levuka aforesaid, or until revoked.

Dated at Auckland, in the Colony of New Zealand, this fourteenth day of January, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and seventy-six.

THOMAS B. GILLIES,  
Judge.

STATEMENT of the average amount of Liabilities and Assets of the Bank of New Zealand, within the Colony, during the Quarter ended 27th December, 1875.

LIABILITIES.		£	s.	d.
Notes in Circulation	...	439,570	2	8
Bills in Circulation	...	28,974	1	6
Balances due to other Banks	...	7	12	9
Government Deposits	...	1,125,075	17	2
Other Deposits—				
Not bearing Interest	...	1,246,387	0	3
Bearing Interest	...	1,145,928	6	6
<b>Total average Liabilities</b>	...	<b>£3,985,943</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>10</b>

ASSETS.		£	s.	d.
Coined Gold and Silver and other Coined Metal	...	543,814	14	6
Gold and Silver in Bullion or Bars	...	84,602	2	11
Notes and Bills of other Banks	...	15,659	5	5
Balances due from other Banks	...	4,458	18	11
Landed Property	...	32,353	1	3
Amount of all other Securities—				
1. Notes and Bills Discounted	...	2,000,946	11	6
2. Colonial Government Securities	...	380,000	0	0
3. Other Funded Securities	...	7,600	0	0
4. Debts due to the Bank (exclusive of Debts abandoned as bad)	...	1,969,629	15	2
5. Securities not included under the above heads	...	88,337	13	10
<b>Total average Assets</b>	...	<b>£5,097,402</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>6</b>

Amount of the Capital Stock paid up at the close of the Quarter ended 27th December, 1875, £600,000.

Rate of the last Dividend declared to the Shareholders, equal to 15 per cent. per annum.

Amount of the last Dividend declared, £45,000.

Amount of the Reserved Profits at the time of declaring such Dividend, £244,077 13s. 2d.

Dated at Auckland, this 18th day of January, 1876.

D. L. MURDOCH, Inspector.

FREDK. BATLEY, Inspector's Accountant.

STATEMENT of the average amount of the Liabilities and Assets of the Union Bank of Australia, within the Colony of New Zealand, during the Quarter ended 31st December, 1875.

LIABILITIES.		£	s.	d.
Notes in Circulation	...	126,064	19	2
Bills in Circulation	...	19,444	15	8
Balances due to other Banks	...	4	19	4
Government Deposits	...	...	...	...
Other Deposits—				
Not bearing Interest	...	394,244	19	10
Bearing Interest	...	580,392	16	5
<b>Total average Liabilities</b>	...	<b>£1,120,152</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>5</b>

ASSETS.		£	s.	d.
Coined Gold and Silver and other Coined Metals	...	287,469	10	7
Gold and Silver in Bullion or Bars	...	10,992	3	7
Notes and Bills of other Banks	...	2,405	9	4
Balances due from other Banks	...	8,076	5	1
Landed Property	...	50,461	10	7
Amount of all other Securities—				
1. Notes and Bills Discounted	...	666,342	12	11
2. Colonial Government Securities	...	...	...	...
3. Other Funded Securities	...	...	...	...
4. Debts due to the Bank (exclusive of Debts abandoned as bad)	...	625,607	19	2
5. Securities not included under the above heads	...	23,807	15	9
<b>Total average Assets</b>	...	<b>£1,675,163</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>0</b>

Amount of the Capital Stock paid up at the close of the Quarter ended 31st December, 1875, £1,250,000.

Rate of the last Dividend declared to the Shareholders, 16 per cent. per annum.

Amount of the last Dividend declared, £100,000.

Amount of the Reserved Profits at the time of declaring such Dividend, £506,471 14s. 3d.

Dated at Wellington, this 12th day of January, 1876.

A. JACKSON, Manager.

WM. JAMIESON, Accountant.

STATEMENT of the average amount of Liabilities and Assets of the Bank of New South Wales, in the Colony of New Zealand, during the Quarter ended 31st December, 1875.

LIABILITIES.		£	s.	d.
Notes in Circulation	...	93,875	6	10
Bills in Circulation	...	1,111	7	4
Balances due to other Banks	...	11,442	15	6
Government Deposits	...	...	...	...
Other Deposits—				
Not bearing Interest	...	242,961	11	11
Bearing Interest	...	330,096	8	6
<b>Total average Liabilities</b>	...	<b>£679,487</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>1</b>

ASSETS.		£	s.	d.
Coined Gold and Silver and other Coined Metal	...	313,169	18	10
Gold and Silver in Bullion or Bars	...	34,868	13	1
Notes and Bills of other Banks	...	3,229	3	4
Balances due from other Banks	...	18,348	9	0
Landed Property	...	24,703	12	7
Amount of all other Securities—				
1. Notes and Bills Discounted	...	540,582	11	10
2. Colonial Government Securities	...	...	...	...
3. Other Funded Securities	...	...	...	...
4. Debts due to Bank (exclusive of Debts abandoned as bad)	...	576,082	1	11
5. Securities not included under the above heads	...	115,855	8	8
<b>Total average Assets</b>	...	<b>£1,626,839</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>3</b>

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Amount of the Capital Stock paid up at the close of the Quarter ended 31st December, 1875, £1,000,000.  
 Rate of the last Dividend declared to the Shareholders, 17½ per cent. per annum.  
 Amount of last Dividend declared, £87,500.  
 Amount of the Reserved Profits at the time of declaring such Dividend, £403,240 0s. 8d.

Dated at Wellington, this 18th day of January, 1876.

EDWD. MILLER, Manager.  
 A. WARBURTON, Accountant.

**G**ENERAL Abstract showing the average amount of the Liabilities and Assets of the Bank of Australasia, within the Colony of New Zealand, taken from the several Weekly Statements during the Quarter from the 1st October to 31st December, 1875.

LIABILITIES.		£	s.	d.
Notes in Circulation	...	47,609	7	11
Bills in Circulation	...	5,558	10	11
Balances due to other Banks	...	...	...	...
Deposits—				
Not bearing Interest	...	126,143	11	1
Bearing Interest	...	125,245	1	3
Government	...	13,510	2	4
<b>Total Amount of Liabilities</b>	...	<b>£318,066</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>6</b>

ASSETS.		£	s.	d.
Coined Gold and Silver and other Coined Metals	...	68,543	9	3
Gold and Silver in Bullion or Bars	...	3,042	13	6
Landed Property	...	30,643	17	0
Notes and Bills of other Banks	...	1,421	16	11
Balances due from other Banks	...	...	...	...
Amount of all other Securities—				
1. Notes and Bills Discounted	...	508,869	10	11
2. Colonial Government Securities	...	...	...	...
3. Other Funded Securities	...	...	...	...
4. Debts due to the Bank (exclusive of Debts abandoned as bad)	...	234,280	10	4
5. Securities not included under the above heads	...	223	8	4
<b>Total Amount of Assets</b>	...	<b>£847,025</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>3</b>

Amount of the Capital Stock paid up at this date, £1,200,000.  
 Rate of the last Dividend declared to the Shareholders, £12 10s. per cent. per annum.  
 Amount of the last Dividend declared, £75,000.  
 Amount of the Reserved Profits at the time of declaring such Dividend, £374,119 2s. 4d.

Dated at Wellington, this 18th day of January, 1876.

J. SAWERS, Acting Manager, }  
 E. TURNER, Acting Accountant, } at Wellington.

**S**TATEMENT of the average amount of Liabilities and Assets of the National Bank of New Zealand (Limited), within the Colony, during the Quarter ended 31st December, 1875.

LIABILITIES.		£	s.	d.
Notes in Circulation	...	120,911	19	2
Bills in Circulation	...	8,380	1	10
Balances due to other Banks	...	13,990	17	0
Government Deposits	...	1,001	11	1
Other Deposits—				
Not bearing Interest	...	294,285	1	5
Bearing Interest	...	334,647	8	8
<b>Total average Liabilities</b>	...	<b>£773,216</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>2</b>

ASSETS.		£	s.	d.
Coined Gold and Silver and other Coined Metal	...	150,034	17	10
Gold and Silver in Bullion or Bars	...	28,844	4	11
Notes and Bills of other Banks	...	8,026	0	7
Balances due from other Banks	...	133	4	8
Landed Property	...	54,344	10	5

Amount of all other Securities—		£	s.	d.
1. Notes and Bills Discounted	...	656,595	7	2
2. Colonial Government Securities	...	...	...	...
3. Other Funded Securities	...	...	...	...
4. Debts due to the Bank (exclusive of Debts abandoned as bad)	...	562,348	17	11
5. Securities not included under the above heads	...	21,836	16	0
<b>Total average Assets</b>	...	<b>£1,482,163</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>6</b>

Amount of the Capital Stock paid up at the close of the Quarter ended 31st December, 1875, £350,000.  
 Rate of the last Dividend declared to the Shareholders, 6 per cent. per annum.  
 Amount of the last Dividend declared, £9,904 13s. 3d.  
 Amount of the Reserved Profits at the time of declaring such Dividend, £16,866 0s. 2d.

Dated at Wellington, this 19th day of January, 1876.

THOS. BUCHANAN, Manager.  
 W. KNOWLES, Accountant.

**S**TATEMENT of the average amount of Liabilities and Assets of the Colonial Bank of New Zealand, within the Colony, during the Quarter ended 27th December, 1875.

LIABILITIES.		£	s.	d.
Notes in Circulation	...	43,296	16	11
Bills in Circulation	...	747	16	7
Balances due to other Banks	...	38,368	10	2
Government Deposits	...	...	...	...
Other Deposits—				
Not bearing Interest	...	154,107	10	1
Bearing Interest	...	94,378	4	4
<b>Total average Liabilities</b>	...	<b>£330,898</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>1</b>

ASSETS.		£	s.	d.
Coined Gold and Silver and other Coined Metal	...	83,483	18	6
Gold and Silver in Bullion or Bars	...	8,205	6	8
Notes and Bills of other Banks	...	925	3	0
Balances due from other Banks	...	8,224	12	6
Landed Property	...	634	17	11
Amount of all other Securities—				
1. Notes and Bills Discounted	...	291,979	7	8
2. Colonial Government Securities	...	...	...	...
3. Other Funded Securities	...	...	...	...
4. Debts due to the Bank (exclusive of Debts abandoned as bad)	...	189,838	12	9
5. Securities not included under the above heads	...	14,059	10	9
<b>Total average Assets</b>	...	<b>£597,351</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>9</b>

Amount of the Capital Stock paid up at the close of the Quarter ended 27th December, 1875, £281,776 9s. 8d.  
 Rate of the last Dividend declared to the Shareholders, nil.  
 Amount of last Dividend declared, nil.  
 Amount of the Reserved Profits at the time of declaring such Dividend, £4,723 18s. 10d.

Dated at Dunedin, this 18th day of January, 1876.

L. O. BEAL, Manager.

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 be lodged forbidding the same on or before the 4th day of March next.

Wellington. Part Section "472," 16 perches. Bounded—North, 135 feet 3 inches, West, 32 feet, and South, 135 feet 3 inches, by other parts of Section 472; East, 32 feet, by Wellington Terrace. The northern boundary runs parallel with and 79 feet distant from Bolton Street. Unoccupied.—HENRY FREER RAWSON, Applicant. 701.

Diagrams may be inspected at this office.  
 Dated this 25th day of January, 1876, at the Lands Registry Office, Wellington.

JOHN E. SMITH,  
 District Land Registrar.

GENERAL STATEMENT of the LIABILITIES and ASSETS of the under-mentioned BANKS in the Colony of NEW ZEALAND, for the QUARTER ended 31st DECEMBER, 1875.

LIABILITIES.

BANKS.	Notes in Circulation.	Bills in Circulation.	Balances due to other Banks.	Deposits.			Total Liabilities.
				Government.	Not bearing Interest.	Bearing Interest.	
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Bank of New Zealand ...	439,570 2 8	28,974 1 6	7 12 9	1,125,075 17 2	1,246,387 0 3	1,145,928 6 6	3,935,943 0 10
Union Bank of Australia ...	126,064 19 2	19,444 15 8	4 19 4	...	394,244 19 10	580,392 16 5	1,120,152 10 5
Bank of New South Wales ...	93,875 6 10	1,111 7 4	11,442 15 6	...	242,961 11 11	330,096 8 6	679,487 10 1
Bank of Australasia ...	47,609 7 11	5,558 10 11	...	13,510 2 4	126,143 11 1	125,245 1 3	318,066 13 6
National Bank of New Zealand (Limited) ...	*120,911 19 2	8,380 1 10	13,990 17 0	1,001 11 1	294,285 1 5	334,647 8 8	773,216 19 2
Colonial Bank of New Zealand ...	43,296 16 11	747 16 7	38,368 10 2	...	154,107 10 1	94,378 4 4	330,898 18 1
<b>Totals ...</b>	<b>871,328 12 8</b>	<b>64,216 13 10</b>	<b>63,814 14 9</b>	<b>1,139,587 10 7</b>	<b>2,458,129 14 7</b>	<b>2,610,688 5 8</b>	<b>7,207,765 12 1</b>

\* Bank of Otago, £1,909 15s. 4d.

ASSETS.

BANKS.	Coined Gold and Silver and other Coined Metals.	Gold and Silver in Bullion or Bars.	Notes and Bills of other Banks.	Balances due from other Banks.	Landed Property.	Notes and Bills Discounted.	Colonial Government Securities.	Other Funded Securities.	Debts due to the Bank, exclusive of Debts abandoned as bad.	Securities not included under other heads.	Total Assets.
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Bank of New Zealand ...	543,814 14 6	84,602 2 11	15,659 5 5	4,458 18 11	32,353 1 3	2,000,946 11 6	350,000 0 0	7,600 0 0	1,969,629 15 2	88,337 13 10	5,097,402 3 6
Union Bank of Australia ...	287,469 10 7	10,992 3 7	2,405 9 4	8,076 5 1	50,461 10 7	666,342 12 11	...	...	625,607 19 2	23,807 15 9	1,675,163 7 0
Bank of New South Wales ...	313,169 18 10	34,868 13 1	3,229 3 4	18,348 9 0	24,703 12 7	540,582 11 10	...	...	576,082 1 11	115,855 8 8	1,626,839 19 3
Bank of Australasia ...	68,543 9 3	3,042 13 6	1,421 16 11	...	30,643 17 0	508,869 10 11	...	...	234,280 10 4	223 8 4	847,025 6 3
National Bank of New Zealand (Limited) ...	150,034 17 10	28,844 4 11	8,026 0 7	133 4 8	54,344 10 5	656,595 7 2	...	...	562,348 17 11	21,836 16 0	1,482,163 19 6
Colonial Bank of New Zealand ...	83,483 18 6	8,205 6 8	925 3 0	8,224 12 6	634 17 11	291,979 7 8	...	...	189,838 12 9	14,059 10 9	597,351 9 9
<b>Totals ...</b>	<b>1,446,516 9 6</b>	<b>170,555 4 8</b>	<b>31,666 18 7</b>	<b>39,241 10 2</b>	<b>193,141 9 9</b>	<b>4,665,316 2 0</b>	<b>350,000 0 0</b>	<b>7,600 0 0</b>	<b>4,157,787 17 3</b>	<b>264,120 13 4</b>	<b>11,325,946 5 3</b>

CAPITAL AND PROFITS.

BANKS.	Capital paid up.	Rate per Annum of last Dividend.	Amount of last Dividend declared.	Amount of Reserve Fund at the time of declaring such Dividend.
	£ s. d.		£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Bank of New Zealand ...	600,000 0 0	Fifteen per cent. per annum	45,000 0 0	244,077 13 2
Union Bank of Australia ...	1,250,000 0 0	Sixteen per cent. per annum	100,000 0 0	506,471 14 3
Bank of New South Wales ...	1,000,000 0 0	Seventeen and a half per cent. per annum	87,500 0 0	403,240 0 8
Bank of Australasia ...	1,200,000 0 0	Twelve and a half per cent. per annum	75,000 0 0	374,119 2 4
National Bank of New Zealand (Limited) ...	350,000 0 0	Six per cent. per annum	9,904 13 3	16,866 0 2
Colonial Bank of New Zealand ...	281,776 9 8	Nil	...	4,723 18 10
<b>Totals ...</b>	<b>4,681,776 9 8</b>		<b>317,404 13 3</b>	<b>1,549,498 9 5</b>

ABSTRACT of METEOROLOGICAL OBSERVATIONS, New Zealand, for the Month of OCTOBER, 1875.

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.		CLOUD.
	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.	
MONGONUI ...	29.935	1.050	59.2	14.5	32.0	151.0	...	.436	88	6.140	15	202	390, 29th	7.8
Same month previous 10 yrs.	29.745	...	58.6	...	...	...	...	.395	77	3.355	16	...	...	...
AUCKLAND ...	29.897	1.210	57.0	13.8	27.0	145.2	32.3	.380	82	8.470	20	332	643, 10th	7.0
Same month previous 11 yrs.	29.931	...	57.5	...	...	...	...	.374	77	2.781	16	...	...	...
TARANAKI ...	29.834	.912	54.1	14.5	35.0	149.0	22.0	.334	80	8.820	21	211	365, 6th	7.3
Same month previous 11 yrs.	29.852	...	55.3	...	...	...	...	.336	72	5.610	17	...	...	...
NAPIER ...	29.828	.885	56.9	20.8	43.0	135.0	25.0	.413	89	3.200	11	233	469, 10th	3.0
Same month previous 8 years	29.908	...	58.3	...	...	...	...	.343	73	1.755	8	...	...	...
WELLINGTON ...	29.809	.712	54.0	12.5	35.0	138.0	30.0	.331	78	6.490	20	284	500, 29th	5.3
Same month previous 11 yrs.	29.835	...	53.9	...	...	...	...	.312	74	4.601	13	...	...	...
*WANGANUI ...	29.960	.500	53.4	19.6	38.0	122.0	34.0	.303	74	6.080	16	335	530, 6th, 10th	5.0
Same month previous 3 years	30.003	...	53.7	...	...	...	...	.307	74	3.100	10	...	...	...
NELSON ...	29.771	.526	54.0	20.7	35.0	...	20.0	.331	78	5.780	12	146	334, 25th	6.0
Same month previous 11 yrs.	29.875	...	54.8	...	...	...	...	.387	75	4.529	8	...	...	...
CAPE CAMPBELL ...	29.890	.550	55.9	13.0	31.4	...	...	.327	74	.780	7	468	910, 2nd	6.0
Same month previous year	29.890	...	56.0	...	...	...	...	.317	70	.470	8	...	...	...
CHRISTCHURCH ...	29.749	.750	52.1	18.3	40.2	142.0	15.9	.301	77	.780	11	146	334, 8th	5.7
Same month previous 11 yrs.	29.787	...	52.9	...	...	...	...	.299	73	2.890	10	...	...	...
*BEALEY ...	29.820	.630	44.6	15.7	42.6	124.0	23.0	.238	81	10.530	20	167	296, 8th	5.8
Same month previous 7 years	29.724	...	46.4	...	...	...	...	.250	80	10.773	17	...	...	...
HOKITIKA ...	29.824	.658	51.0	12.2	28.7	...	30.5	.303	81	9.990	18	...	...	5.0
Same month previous 9 years	29.869	...	51.9	...	...	...	...	.345	86	11.580	19	...	...	...
DUNEDIN ...	29.543	.702	49.3	15.0	34.0	136.0	29.0	.270	77	3.088	14	176	470, 13th	6.8
Same month previous 11 yrs.	29.755	...	50.6	...	...	...	...	.276	71	2.359	15	...	...	...
*QUEENSTOWN ...	29.610	.940	48.3	16.2	33.9	...	32.0	.224	67	3.100	14	113	227, 12th	6.6
Same month previous 3 years	29.894	...	50.5	...	...	...	...	.223	62	2.228	13	...	...	...
SOUTHLAND ...	29.680	.730	49.0	17.0	41.0	141.0	...	.276	79	4.100	26	226	524, 8th	8.0
Same month previous 10 yrs.	29.704	...	50.0	...	...	...	...	.256	71	3.895	17	...	...	...

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

NOTES FOR OCTOBER, 1875.

*Mongonui.*—Heavy rainfall during the month, with intervals of fine weather, the maximum fall recorded on 9th, 2.32 inches; strong winds on 3rd and 5th from S.W., and 8th and 9th S.E.; otherwise moderate, and prevailing from N.W. and S.W. Maximum temperature in shade, 73°; minimum, 41°.

*Auckland.*—Very showery but mild weather; prevailing westerly winds, and generally moderate; stormy on 10th from S.W.; total rain in excess, the maximum fall registered on 9th, 2.270 inches; the barometer on 9th, 28.988, having fallen 1.210 in 48 hours; 2.20 inches rain also recorded on 31st; thunder on 3rd; hail on 7th. Maximum temperature in shade, 70.0°; minimum, 43°.

*Taranaki.*—Very unsettled, squally, wet weather; prevailing westerly winds; strong on 2nd, N.W., and on 9th from S.E.; maximum rain recorded on 31st, 1.26 inch; fog on 15th and 16th. Maximum temperature in shade, 70.0°; minimum, 35°.

*Napier.*—Showery weather; rainfall above the average; the maximum recorded on 9th, 1.38 inch. Prevailing winds northerly, and generally moderate; on 10th, there was a gale from S.W., with rain, and on night of 29th gale from N.W., lasting only a few hours. Maximum temperature in shade, 79°; minimum, 36°.

*Wellington.*—First part of month wet and stormy weather prevailed from N.W., changing at times to S.E.; very strong wind on 2nd from N.W., and 9th from S.E. with rain. Some very fine bright pleasant days during middle of month, though at times showery; strong N.W. wind on 8th; from 24th to end generally wet and stormy from N.W.; bright and pleasant, however, on 26th and 27th; sheet lightning on night of 26th. Twenty-five days of N.W. wind. On the whole, a wet month for time of year; the maximum rain recorded on 29th, 2.050 inches. Maximum temperature in shade, 71.5°; minimum, 36.5°.

*Wanganui.*—A showery, squally month; prevailing N.W. winds, and frequently strong; maximum rain recorded on 10th, .850 inch; thunder on 17th and 31st. Maximum temperature in shade, 73°; minimum, 35°.

*Nelson.*—Changeable weather, with occasional strong winds, chiefly from N.W.; maximum rain registered on 24th, 1.57 inch. Maximum temperature in shade, 70°; minimum, 35°.

*Cape Campbell.*—Very dry, but dull weather, with strong gales and breezes from N.W. and W.; on the 6th, with a W. gale, the wind-gauge recorded 80 miles per hour for three consecutive hours; maximum recorded on 31st, .39 inch. Sudden changes of temperature in the early part of month. Maximum temperature in shade, 73.4°; minimum, 42°.

*Christchurch.*—Very small total rainfall, though often showery, maximum recorded on 29th, .33 inch; prevailing wind from S.W. and N.W., and moderate, except on nights of 8th and 21st, when it blew strong from N.W.; hail on 3rd. Maximum temperature in shade, 72°; minimum, 31.8°.

*Bealey.*—Showery, unpleasant weather, with an occasional bright day; maximum rainfall recorded on 2nd, 1.44 inch; prevailing N.W. wind, and generally strong; snow on six days; heavy fall on 28th, 6 inches on ground on morning of 29th; heavy thunderstorm on 17th; gales on seven days. Maximum temperature in shade, 69°; minimum, 26.4°.

*Hokitika.*—Wet weather generally, with prevailing N.E. winds; frequently squally; five days of thunder; maximum rainfall recorded on 24th, 1.55 inch. Maximum temperature in shade, 63.5°; minimum, 34.8°.

*Dunedin.*—Changeable; high winds occurred from 9th to 12th, from S.W.; cold, wintry weather, 3rd, 4th, and 11th, S.W.; heavy rain from 25th to end of month; wind variable; thunder on 24th; snow, 3rd and 11th; hail, 2nd, 11th, and 27th, and fog on 24th and 25th; maximum rain recorded on 26th, .800 inch. Maximum temperature in shade, 66°; minimum, 32°.

*Queenstown.*—Very changeable; no severe weather after the first two or three days, when snow fell; maximum rain recorded on 6th, .78 inch; prevailing N.W. winds and light, frequent calms; on the whole, a dull, gloomy month. Maximum temperature in shade, 65.2°; minimum, 31.3°.

*Southland.*—A wet, stormy month; prevailing westerly winds; maximum rain recorded on 7th, .39 inch; a gale on 8th from N.W.; very warm from 15th to 19th; five days of hail; thunder on 3rd. Maximum temperature in shade, 72°; minimum, 31°.

GENERAL REMARKS.

Very wet unpleasant weather experienced throughout during this period, the rainfall at most places being excessive; strong westerly winds prevailed, and frequent gales at times; very severe for time of year.

W. B. D. MANTELL (for Inspector).

## LAND TRANSFER ACT NOTICES.

NOTICE is hereby given, that the several parcels of land hereinafter described will be brought under the provisions of "The Land Transfer Act, 1870," unless caveat be lodged forbidding the same in each case on or before the 3rd day of March, 1876.

2487. WALTER EDWARD PAYNE.—District of Christchurch, 6 acres 1 rood 29 perches, part of Rural Section No. 147. In the occupation of Applicant.

2488. JOHN HAYES PARKES and JOSEPH BOWMAN.—Timaru District, 32 perches, being Lot No. 444, Rhodes Town, part of Rural Section No. 7555. In the occupation of Joseph Bowman and Thomas Hayes Parkes.

2489. BENJAMIN GIBSON.—Timaru District, 120 acres, Rural Section No. 12426. In the occupation of Applicant.

2503. FREDERICK DISHER.—District of Christchurch, 1 rood, part of Rural Section No. 238. In the occupation of Applicant.

2505. BENJAMIN SMITH PAWSEY.—District of Oxford, 50 acres, part of Rural Section No. 4246. In the occupation of John Tondra.

2507. RICHARD DAVIES.—District of Timaru, 100 acres, Rural Sections Nos. 9988, 9989. In the occupation of George Osborne.

Diagrams may be inspected at this office.

Dated this 21st day of January, 1876, at the Lands Registry Office, Christchurch.

60 EDWARD DENHAM,  
Deputy District Land Registrar.

## LAND TRANSFER ACT NOTICES.

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

THOMAS TRUMBLE, Applicant.—Part Section 46, Sections 47, 48, 55 to 63 inclusive, and Section 72, Block IX., New River Hundred. Nos. 884-8.

ELIZABETH COWPER, Applicant.—Section 4, Block LXIX., Invercargill. No. 891.

Diagrams may be inspected at this office.

Dated this 20th day of January, 1876, at the Lands Registry Office, Invercargill.

62 W. RUSSELL,  
District Land Registrar.

STATEMENT of the Affairs of the Vulcan Quartz Mining Company (Registered), for the half-year ended the 23rd December, 1875, 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: 13th July, 1872; 14th September, 1872.

Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Reefton; Patrick Brennan.

Nominal capital: £16,000.

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

Number of shares in which capital is divided: 16,000.

Number of shares taken: 16,000.

Amount of calls made: £200.

Total amount of subscribed capital paid up: £9,583 6s. 8d.

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

Amount of cash in hand: Nil.

Whether in operation or not: In operation.

Total amount of dividends declared: £400.

Number of shares unallotted: Nil.

23rd December, 1875. PATRICK BRENNAN,  
Manager. 26

STATEMENT of the Affairs of the Bismarck and French Republic Gold Mining Company (Registered), for the half-year ended 31st December, 1875, in accordance with section 135 of "The Mining Companies Act, 1872."

Name of Company: Bismarck and French Republic.

When formed, and date of registration: 24th October, 1874; 25th October, 1874.

Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Shortland Street, Auckland; Robert Sommerville.

Nominal capital: £8,000.

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

Number of shares in which capital is divided: 8,000.

Number of shares taken: 7,984.

Amount of calls made: Nil.

Total amount of subscribed capital paid up: £7,973 16s.

Number of shareholders at time of registration of Company: 11.

Amount of cash in hand: Nil.

Whether in operation or not: In operation.

Total amount of dividends declared: None during half-year.

Number of shares unallotted: 16.

18th January, 1876. ROBT. SOMMERVILLE,  
Manager. 56

I, the undersigned, hereby make application to register the Garibaldi Quartz Mining Company, as a Limited Company, under the provisions of "The Mining Companies Act, 1872."

1. The name of the Company is to be the Garibaldi Quartz Mining Company (Limited).

2. The place of intended operations is at Italian's, in the Inangahua District, in the Province of Nelson.

3. The registered office of the Company will be situated at Reefton.

4. The nominal capital of the Company is twenty thousand pounds, in twenty thousand shares of one pound each.

5. The number of shares subscribed for is twenty thousand, being not less than two-thirds of the entire number of shares in the Company.

6. The number of paid-up shares is nil.

7. The amount already paid up is nil.

8. The name of the Manager is George Wise.

9. The names and addresses and occupations of the shareholders, and the number of shares held by each at this date, are as follow:—

	No. of Shares.
D. H. Alexander, Caplestone, Storekeeper ... ..	2,000
Christian Iversen, Italian Gully, Miner ... ..	3,000
Denis Quigley, Italian Gully, Miner ... ..	3,000
James Wilson, Boatman's, Mining Manager ... ..	1,500
Robert McNeice, Boatman's, Miner ... ..	1,500
Joseph Parkins, Boatman's, Miner ... ..	500
George Edwards, Boatman's, Carpenter ... ..	500
W. B. Archer, Caplestone, Storekeeper ... ..	1,000
Donald Cross, Boatman's, Miner ... ..	500
Alexander McKenzie, Murray Creek, Miner ... ..	1,000
Augustus Sangster, Reefton, Carpenter... ..	1,000
Colin Campbell, Reefton, Bank Manager ... ..	1,000
George Wise, Reefton, Mining Agent ... ..	3,500
Total ... ..	20,000

GEORGE WISE,  
Manager.

Dated this 6th day of January, 1876.

Witness to signature—David P. James, J.P.

I, GEORGE WISE, do solemnly and sincerely declare that—

1. I am the Manager of the said intended Company.

2. The above statement is, to the best of my belief and knowledge, true in every particular; 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 intitled "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1866."

GEORGE WISE.

Taken before me at Reefton, in the Province of Nelson, this sixth day of January, 1876.—David P. James, J.P., a Justice of the Peace for the Colony of New Zealand. 59

**S**TATEMENT of the Affairs of the Otago Gold Mining Company (Registered), for the half-year ended 31st December, 1875, 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: 17th August, 1869; 26th February, 1870.  
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Blue Spur, Tuapeka; James Campbell.  
 Nominal capital: £4,800.  
 Amount of paid-up scrip given to shareholders: £4,800.  
 Number of shares in which capital is divided: 8.  
 Amount of calls made: None.  
 Total amount of subscribed capital paid up: £4,800.  
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of Company: 8.  
 Amount of cash in hand: £1,068 3s.  
 Whether in operation or not: In operation.  
 Total amount of dividends declared: £1,442.  
 Number of shares unallotted: None.

JAMES CAMPBELL,  
 Manager. 53  
 15th December, 1875.

**S**TATEMENT of the Affairs of the Charleston Progressive Water Race Company (Registered), for the half-year ended 31st December, 1875, in accordance with section 135 of "The Mining Companies Act, 1872."

Name of Company: The Charleston Progressive Water Race Company.  
 When formed, and date of registration: 11th January, 1870; 11th January, 1870.  
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Deep Lead, Charleston; Wm. G. Collings.  
 Nominal capital: £3,000.  
 Amount of paid-up scrip given to shareholders: Nil.  
 Number of shares in which capital is divided: 600.  
 Number of shares taken: 600.  
 Amount of calls made: Nil.  
 Total amount of subscribed capital paid up: £2,210.  
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of Company: 7.  
 Amount of cash in hand: £140 2s. 5d.  
 Whether in operation or not: In operation.  
 Total amount of dividends declared: For half-year, none; since formation, £1,935.  
 Number of shares unallotted: Nil.

WM. G. COLLINGS,  
 Manager. 57  
 4th January, 1876.

**S**TATEMENT of the Affairs of the Scandinavian Water Race Company (Registered), for the half-year ended 1st December, 1875, in accordance with section 135 of "The Mining Companies Act, 1872."

Name of Company: The Scandinavian Water Race Company (Registered).  
 When formed, and date of registration: 1865; 6th May, 1868.  
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: St. Bathans, Otago; George Purton.  
 Nominal capital: £12,000.  
 Amount of paid-up scrip given to shareholders: £50.  
 Number of shares taken: 240.  
 Amount of calls made: Nil.  
 Total amount of subscribed capital paid up: £12,000.  
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of Company: 28.  
 Amount of cash in hand: Nil.  
 Whether in operation or not: In operation.  
 Total amount of dividends declared: £840.  
 Number of shares unallotted: Nil.

GEORGE PURTON,  
 Manager. 58  
 St. Bathans, 8th January, 1876.

**S**TATEMENT of the Affairs of the Undaunted Water Race and Mining Company (Registered), for the half-year ended 31st December, 1875, in accordance with section 135 of "The Mining Companies Act, 1872."

Name of Company: The Undaunted Water Race and Mining Company.  
 When formed, and date of registration: 4th May, 1870.  
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Naseby; Walter Inder.  
 Nominal capital: £6,000.  
 Amount of paid-up scrip given to shareholders: £6,000.  
 Number of shares in which capital is divided: 300.  
 Number of shares taken: All.  
 Amount of calls made: None.  
 Total amount of subscribed capital paid up: Not on record.  
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of Company: 10.  
 Amount of cash in hand: £9.  
 Whether in operation or not: In operation.  
 Total amount of dividends declared: £116 5s.  
 Number of shares unallotted: Nil.

Dated this 21st day of January, 1876.  
 WALTER INDER,  
 Manager. 63

I, the undersigned, hereby make application to register the Welcome Gold Mining Company, as a Limited Company, under the provisions of "The Mining Companies Act, 1872."

1. The name of the Company is to be the Welcome Gold Mining Company, Limited.
2. The place of intended operations is at Waitekauri, in the Ohinemuri District, in the Province of Auckland, and Colony of New Zealand.
3. The registered office of the Company will be situated at the office of Thomas Horsbrugh, Brown Street, Thames.
4. The nominal capital of the Company is thirteen thousand pounds, in thirteen thousand shares of one pound each.
5. The number of shares subscribed for is thirteen thousand, being the entire number of shares in the Company.
6. The number of paid-up shares is nil.
7. The amount already paid up is nil.
8. The name of the Manager is Thomas Horsbrugh.
9. The names and addresses and occupations of the shareholders, and the number of shares held by each at this date, are as follow:—

	No. of Shares.
John Daniels, Waitekauri by Paeroa, Miner ...	2,000
Patrick Foley, Waitekauri by Paeroa, Miner ...	2,000
John Henry Heitman, Waitekauri, by Paeroa, Miner...	1,750
Frederick Duncake, Waitekauri, by Paeroa, Miner ...	500
Michael Marrinan, Waitekauri, by Paeroa, Miner ...	500
William John Hurst, Auckland, Merchant ...	500
C. W. Knorpp, Wellington, Civil Engineer ...	500
Patrick Treanor, Thames, Miner ...	500
John Goldsworthy, Thames, Mine Manager ...	250
William Goldsworthy, Thames, Mine Manager ...	750
Patrick William Donnelly, Thames, Mine Manager ...	500
James Brown, Tararu, Miner ...	500
John Brown, Tararu, Mill Owner ...	500
William Alexander Hunt, Auckland, Gentleman ...	1,000
John Morrison Russell, Auckland, Gentleman...	250
John Rodgers Harrison, Auckland, Gentleman ...	500
David Bruce, Mackaytown, Butcher ...	250
Thomas Horsbrugh, Thames, Mining Agent ...	250
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	13,000

THOMAS HORSBRUGH,  
 Manager.

Witness to signature—H. Goldsmith, J.P.

I, THOMAS HORSBRUGH, do solemnly and sincerely declare that—

1. I am the Manager of the said intended Company.
2. The above statement is, to the best of my belief and knowledge, true in every particular; 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."

THOMAS HORSBRUGH,  
 Manager.

Taken before me at Thames, 21st January, 1876—  
 H. Goldsmith, J.P. 67



**S**TATEMENT of the Affairs of the Maerewhenua Water Race and Mining Company (Registered) for half-year ending 1st January, 1876.

Name of Company: The Maerewhenua Water Race and Mining Company (Registered).

When formed, and date of registration: 23rd January, 1872; 27th January, 1873.

Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Naseby; Jacob Lory.

Nominal capital: £3,000.

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

Number of shares in which capital is divided: 200.

Number of shares taken: 200.

Amount of calls made: £1,650 5s. 11d.

Total amount of subscribed capital paid up: £1,650 5s. 11d.

Number of shareholders at time of registration of Company: 6.

Amount of cash in hand: Nil.

Whether in operation or not: In operation.

Total amount of dividends declared: £12.

Number of shares unallotted: None.

JACOB LORY,

Manager.

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THE OUTRAM AND GREYTOWN RAILWAY COMPANY (LIMITED).

**A** MEETING of Shareholders in the above Company will be held at Outram Hotel, Outram, on Saturday, the 26th day of February next, at 3 o'clock p.m., for the purpose of considering the accounts showing the manner in which the winding up has been conducted.

By order of the Liquidators.

THOMAS RICHARDSON,

Secretary to Company.

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**S**TATEMENT of the Affairs of the Surprise Water Race and Sluicing Company (Registered), for half-year ending 1st January, 1876.

Name of Company: The Surprise Water-Race and Sluicing Company (Registered).

When formed, and date of registration: April, 1868; May, 1868.

Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Naseby; Jacob Lory.

Nominal capital: £2,400.

Number of shares in which capital is divided: 240.

Number of shares taken: 240.

Amount of calls made: Nil.

Number of shareholders at time of registration of Company: 6.

Amount of cash in hand: Nil.

Whether in operation or not: In operation.

Dividends declared: £336.

Naseby, 17th January, 1876.

JACOB LORY,

Manager.

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**N**OTICE is hereby given that, at a meeting of the United Landing and Shipping Company (Limited), carrying on business in Oamaru, held on the tenth day of January current, it was proposed, seconded, and duly carried, "That the United Landing and Shipping Company (Limited), be wound up voluntarily;" and a meeting of the said Company will be held on the fourteenth day of February next, for the purpose of confirming such resolution, and for the appointment of Liquidators.

Dated this eighteenth day of January, 1876.

CHAS. PEACH,

Secretary.

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