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Limits, Description, Line, and Limits of Deviation of a portion of the Foxton to Manawatu Railway.—Portion along Manawatu River at Foxton.

(L.S.) NORMANBY, Governor.

A PROCLAMATION.

WHEREAS by "The Immigration and Public Works Act, 1870," it is enacted that the railways to be constructed under the said Act shall be only such railways as shall from time to time be determined by the General Assembly: And it is also thereby enacted that, subject to the provisions contained therein, the Governor may construct, or cause to be constructed, any lines of railway which shall be prescribed by the General Assembly as railways to be constructed under the said Act, or any part or parts thereof, and acquire the necessary engines, plant, and machinery for working and using the same, or any of them: And it is also thereby enacted that, whenever the Governor shall determine to construct any such railway, or any part thereof, it shall be lawful for him, by Proclamation published in the *New Zealand Gazette*, to declare and define the limits and description and line thereof, and the lands proposed to be taken for the purpose of such railway, subject to the provisions of any Act defining such limits and descriptions; and any such Proclamation may refer to maps, plans, or drawings to be deposited in the office of the Registrar or Deputy Registrar of the Supreme Court in the province in which such railway or part thereof is proposed to be constructed, and any maps, plans, or drawings so referred to shall be deemed to form part of such Proclamation; and upon the publication of such Proclamation, the provisions and regulations contained in the Seventh Part of the said Act shall be applicable to the railway and to the lands to which the Proclamation shall relate: And it is also thereby enacted that it shall be lawful for the Governor to make, construct, and maintain any such railway as aforesaid, with proper works, approaches, and conveniences connected therewith, commencing at the place delineated on, and extending along the lines set forth in, and terminating at a point described in, the Act or Proclamation proclaim-

ing and defining such railway, or shown in the maps, plans, or drawings referred to in such Act or Proclamation: And it is also thereby enacted that the Governor may direct that any part of such line of railway may be constructed on and along any part of any public highway, and that any part of any such line of railway may be constructed on or through any public reserves: And it is also thereby enacted that, subject to the provisions of that Part of the said Act and of the Acts incorporated therewith, the Governor may exercise all or any of the powers by that Part of the said Act or the said incorporated Acts conferred upon him for the construction of any such railway, and may enter upon, and cause to be entered upon, all lands within the colony for the purpose of making such surveys as may be necessary, and may take and hold all the lands required for the railway along the line set forth and described as aforesaid, or within the limits of deviation described in the Proclamation relating thereto, and may temporarily occupy and use such lands as may be necessary on either side of the railway, during the construction thereof:

And whereas by "The Railways Act, 1871," "The Railways Act, 1872," "The Railways Act, 1873," and "The Railways Act, 1874," it is enacted that the Governor may, under the provisions of the hereinbefore firstly recited Act and of the now reciting Acts, construct and maintain, or cause to be constructed and maintained, the several lines of railway specified therein; and it is also thereby enacted that the line of the railways thereby authorized to be constructed shall be fixed by the Governor, and shall commence and terminate at points to be fixed by the Governor: And whereas by "The Immigration and Public Works Act, 1872," it is enacted that as to any railway which the Governor has been authorized to construct, and to fix the commencing and termination points and line thereof, it shall be competent for him, if he thinks fit, instead of fixing and proclaiming such points and the whole line at one time, to fix and proclaim portions of such line from time to time, and the commencing and termination points of any such portion or portions, and the limits and description of any such portion or portions,

and the lands proposed to be taken for the purpose of any such portion or portions, and to construct any portion or portions so fixed, and to take the lands for the same; and any such portion so proclaimed shall be deemed to be a railway within the meaning of the said Act and the said amending Act and this Act:

And whereas by "The Immigration and Public Works Act, 1872," it is enacted that, at any time after the expiration of twenty-one days from the publication in the *New Zealand Gazette*, and in a newspaper ordinarily circulating in the district, of a Proclamation under the thirteenth section of the said Act, whether of the whole or a portion or portions of a line of railway, the Governor, on behalf of Her Majesty, may enter upon, take possession of, use and hold, or cause to be entered upon, taken possession of, used and held, so much of the lands defined in such Proclamation as proposed to be taken as shall be required to be taken, purchased, or permanently used for the purposes of such railway, notwithstanding that an agreement shall not have been come to or an award made for the purchase or compensation money to be paid in respect of such lands:

And whereas by the said last-mentioned Act it is also enacted that in any case in which a road or right of road has been or hereafter may be reserved in any Crown grant, and in any case in which, under "The Native Lands Act, 1865," or any law for the time being in force relating to the sale of waste lands of the Crown, or any law whatever, there is a right to take a public road through any lands, it shall be lawful, after such road shall have been surveyed, to construct under the said Acts any railway or any part of any railway, on the road so surveyed, notwithstanding that such road may not have been made:

And whereas the Governor has determined to construct and maintain a further portion of the railway from Foxton to Manawatu, authorized to be constructed by "The Railways Act, 1874," which said portion is hereinafter described:

Now, therefore, I, George Augustus Constantine, Marquis of Normanby, Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, in exercise and pursuance of the powers and authorities conferred on me by the hereinbefore in part recited Acts, and in exercise of every other power enabling me in this behalf, do hereby proclaim, declare, and define the limits, description, and line of the said portion of the said railway, to be those set forth in the First Schedule hereto; and that the lands specified and described in the Second Schedule hereto are proposed to be taken for the purposes of the said portion of the said railway; and that the limits of deviation shall be those set forth in the said First Schedule hereto; and in pursuance and exercise of all powers and authorities conferred on me in that behalf, I do hereby fix the point of commencement of the said portion of the said railway to be at or near a point which is situated on the Foxton to Manawatu Railway opposite Section numbered 112 in the Township of Foxton, in the Province of Wellington, and the point of termination thereof to be at or near a point which is situated on the public road between Sections numbered 236 and 248 in the same Township and Province.

FIRST SCHEDULE.

Limits, Description, Line, and Limits of Deviation of a portion of the Foxton to Manawatu Railway, in the Province of Wellington.

COMMENCING at or near a point which is situated on the Foxton to Manawatu Railway opposite Section numbered 112 in the Township of Foxton, passing in, through, over or into the Township of Foxton, and terminating at or near a point which is situated on the public road between Sections numbered

236 and 248 in the same Township, as the limits, description, and line thereof are set forth on the plan (marked W. 495), and described in the book of reference referred to on the face of the said plan; and which plan and book are authenticated for the purposes of this Proclamation by the signature of the Honorable Edward Richardson, Minister for Public Works, to be deposited in the office of the Registrar of the Supreme Court at Wellington; or within the limits of deviation set forth on the said plan by dotted red lines, being generally not more than 200 yards on either side of the said line, unless otherwise delineated on the aforesaid plan, and passing in, through, over or into the several places, lands, roads, reserves, streams and watercourses enumerated in the Second Schedule hereto.

SECOND SCHEDULE, OR BOOK OF REFERENCE.

Lands and Roads, &c., proposed to be taken for the purposes of the portion of the Foxton to Manawatu Railway, hereinbefore described.

So much of the lands and roads hereinafter mentioned as are required for the said portion of the said railway along the line of the said railway hereinbefore defined or within the limits of deviation aforesaid, as the lands are described and defined in the plan or book of reference aforesaid.

TOWNSHIP OF FOXTON.

Block VIII., Block V., Sections numbered 121, 122 and 123, Government Ferry Reserve numbered 169, Government Reserve adjoining Manawatu River Reserve numbered 249, Section numbered 248, Manawatu River and all adjoining and intervening places, lands, roads, streams and watercourses.

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 Auckland, this tenth day of April, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and seventy-six.

EDWARD RICHARDSON.

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN!

Delegating Powers to the Hon. H. A. Atkinson as Commissioner of Customs.

NORMANBY, Governor.

WHEREAS by "The Customs Regulation Act, 1858," it is enacted that it shall be lawful for the Governor, in the name and on behalf of Her Majesty, from time to time to appoint and remove a superior officer of Customs, who shall have the control and direction of all other officers and persons employed in or about the collection and management of the revenue of Customs, and who shall be styled "The Commissioner of Customs," and also in like manner from time to time to appoint and remove, or to depute to the Commissioner the power to appoint

and remove, officers and persons subordinate to the Commissioner, to collect and manage the Customs Revenue, and to perform the several duties incident to and connected with the collection and management thereof :

Now, therefore, I, George Augustus Constantine, Marquis of Normanby, the Governor of the Colony aforesaid, in pursuance and exercise of the said power and authority, do hereby delegate to

The Hon. HARRY ALBERT ATKINSON,

the Commissioner of Customs appointed as aforesaid, the power to appoint and remove officers and persons subordinate to the Commissioner, to collect and manage the Customs revenue, and to perform the several duties incident to and connected with the collection and management thereof, vested in me by the said in part recited Act, to be held and exercised by him from time to time as he shall think fit, so long as he shall hold the said office of Commissioner of Customs.

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 the Government House, at Auckland, this eleventh day of April, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and seventy-six.

H. A. ATKINSON.

Wellington Botanic Garden Regulations.

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

THE following Regulations and By-laws relating to the Wellington Botanic Garden are published for general information.

EDWARD RICHARDSON,
(in the absence of the Colonial Secretary).

NORMANBY, Governor.

WHEREAS by "The Botanic Garden Act, 1869," the Board of Governors for the time being constituted thereby are empowered, with the consent of the Governor in Council, to direct and order at what times, in what manner, and under what restrictions and conditions the public should be admitted to the said Botanic Garden, and should have full power, with the like consent, to make by-laws for the safety and preservation of the public property therein contained; for the distribution, by gift, exchange, or public sale, of any spare plants, seeds, specimens and animals; for the repressing such impropriety in the conduct of visitors as might tend to immorality, profanity, injury, breach of the peace, or the discomfort of other visitors, and otherwise for the more regular and efficient government of the said Garden; and rescind and alter such by-laws, times, restrictions, and conditions, or any of them, from time to time, with the like consent, and make others in their stead: Now, therefore, in pursuance of the power in that behalf vested in them, the Governors of the Botanic Garden

do, by this instrument under their seal, direct and declare,—

1. The Botanic Garden of Wellington (hereinafter called the Garden) shall be open to the public between the hour of ten in the morning and sunset throughout the year; subject, nevertheless, to any alteration which may from time to time be duly notified in the *New Zealand Gazette*.

2. No person visiting the Garden shall enter the Garden otherwise than by the appointed gates or turnstiles, or be permitted to enter any of the enclosures or places set apart for the cultivation of special plants, without the authority of the Keeper of the Garden.

3. No person visiting the Garden shall stray off the paths except for the purpose of using any of the seats erected for the use of visitors.

4. No person visiting the Garden shall bring or suffer any dog or other animal to accompany him, or to stray into any part of the Garden.

5. No person shall use any profane language, or commit any breach of the peace or other impropriety, or insult or wilfully annoy any other person within the precincts of the Garden; and no person shall enter the garden except during the hours at which the same are open to the public as hereinbefore mentioned.

6. No person shall take into the Garden any gun, pistol, bow, or other weapon of any kind whatsoever, whether of the nature of those before mentioned or otherwise, or which may be used in the killing or destruction of birds or animals.

7. No person shall light any fire, or wilfully break any fence or any part of any fence, or wilfully dig any part of the soil or cut any sod, or wilfully cut, break, or otherwise damage or destroy any tree, shrub, or plant of any kind whatsoever, or wilfully take, destroy, or injure any animal, bird, or fish, or the nest or egg of any bird, or shoot at or otherwise in any manner attempt to kill or injure any bird or animal within the precincts of the Garden.

8. No person shall destroy or attempt to damage any object of art, or natural object of any kind, for the time being placed within the Garden.

9. No person shall destroy, deface, or injure any inscription, or any label attached to or connected with any tree, shrub, or other plant within the Garden.

10. No person shall wilfully destroy or damage any building or erection of any kind with the precincts of the Garden.

11. No person shall damage any tool or implement of any kind used, or for the time being lying, within the precincts of the Garden.

Passed under the Seal of the Governors of the Botanic Garden, this ninth day of March, 1876.

(L.S.) W. B. D. MANTELL,
Chairman.
RICHARD B. GORE,
Secretary.

Approved in Council at Auckland,
April, 12th, 1876.

FORBSTER GOBING,
Clerk of the Executive Council.

In connection with the foregoing Regulations and By-laws, the following section of "The Botanic Garden Act, 1869," is published for general information:—

"Any person who shall commit any offence against any of the Regulations, Orders, or By-laws, made and approved as aforesaid, shall on conviction before any Justice of the Peace be liable to a penalty of not more than ten pounds, and shall also be liable to pay the amount of any damage done by such person, which penalty and damage may be recovered in a summary way on the complaint of the said Board or their Secretary."

Clerk of Courts appointed.

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

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint

JOHN SMITH HICKSON, Esq.,

to be Clerk of the District Court and the Resident Magistrate's Court at Queenstown, and Clerk of the Licensing Courts for the Districts of Queenstown and Town of Queenstown, during the absence on leave of J. S. Worthington, Esq., from the 1st May proximo.

H. A. ATKINSON,
(for the Minister of Justice).

Receiver of Gold Revenue at Queenstown appointed.

Treasury,
Wellington, 26th April, 1876.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint

JOHN SMITH HICKSON, Esq.,

to be Receiver of Gold Revenue at Queenstown, as from the 1st May proximo, during the absence on leave of Mr. J. S. Worthington.

JULIUS VOGEL.

Post Offices opened.

General Post Office,
Wellington, 19th April, 1876.

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

JULIUS VOGEL,
Postmaster-General.

Name of Office.	In what Province.	Circulating Office.
Adelaide Road ...	Wellington ...	Wellington.
Crofton ...	Wellington ...	Wellington.
Dipton ...	Otago ...	Invercargill.
Dunroon ...	Otago ...	Dunedin.
Foxhill Station ...	Nelson ...	Nelson.
Hilton ...	Canterbury ...	Christchurch.
Katikati ...	Auckland ...	Auckland.
Matawhero ...	Auckland ...	Napier.
Normanby ...	Taranaki ...	New Plymouth.
Oruru ...	Auckland ...	Auckland.
Paterangi ...	Auckland ...	Auckland.
Upper Parnell ...	Auckland ...	Auckland.
Upper Waikaia ...	Otago ...	Dunedin.
Waitoa ...	Auckland ...	Auckland.
Waitohi Flat ...	Canterbury ...	Christchurch.
Washdyke (re-opened) ...	Canterbury ...	Christchurch.
West Eyreton ...	Canterbury ...	Christchurch.
Whakato ...	Auckland ...	Napier.
White's Point ...	Nelson ...	Westport.

Post Offices closed.

General Post Office,
Wellington, 19th April, 1876.

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

JULIUS VOGEL,
Postmaster-General.

Name of Office.	In what Province.	Circulating Office.
Southside ...	Marlborough ...	Blenheim.
Upper Wakefield ...	Nelson ...	Nelson.

Appointment of Postmasters.

General Post Office,
Wellington, 19th April, 1876.

IN 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.

JULIUS VOGEL,
Postmaster-General.

Name.	To be Postmaster at	In what Province.	From
Henry Gaby ...	Adelaide Road	Wellington ...	1 April, 1876
Geo. Gaynor ...	Amberley ...	Canterbury ...	7 Mar., 1876
E. S. Latter ...	Barry's Bay ...	Canterbury ...	15 Feb., 1876
E. Downes ...	Beaconsfield ...	Otago ...	9 Feb., 1876
C. W. Andrews ...	Bombay ...	Auckland ...	1 Feb., 1876
M. Woodfield ...	Burnham ...	Canterbury ...	4 Feb., 1876
S. McCullough ...	Cambrian ...	Otago ...	1 Mar., 1876
W. Trott ...	Crofton ...	Wellington ...	1 Mar., 1876
W. Daniel ...	Dipton ...	Otago ...	1 Mar., 1876
E. C. Smith ...	Dunroon ...	Otago ...	1 April, 1876
D. Thompson ...	Forbury ...	Otago ...	1 Mar., 1876
W. J. Maclaren ...	Foxhill Station	Nelson ...	4 Feb., 1876
Jas. Miller ...	Greenstone Creek	Westland ...	1 Feb., 1876
O. G. Bradley ...	Hilton ...	Canterbury ...	1 Mar., 1876
Joseph Wylie ...	Katikati ...	Auckland ...	1 Mar., 1876
E. E. Davies ...	Kensington ...	Otago ...	1 Feb., 1876
P. Greaves ...	Longbeach ...	Canterbury ...	20 Mar., 1876
C. Dempsey ...	Matawhero ...	Auckland ...	1 April, 1876
W. McHutcheson ...	Naseby ...	Otago ...	1 Dec., 1875
Jas. P. McGregor ...	Normanby ...	Taranaki ...	1 Feb., 1876
John May ...	Orari ...	Canterbury ...	9 Feb., 1876
Thos. McMahon ...	Oroua ...	Wellington ...	1 April, 1876
Robt. Adamson ...	Oruru ...	Auckland ...	1 Mar., 1876
Jas. S. Benyon ...	Okarito ...	Westland ...	1 Feb., 1876
Dugald Shaw ...	Papakaio ...	Otago ...	1 April, 1876
Emily M. Faithful ...	Parakakau ...	Auckland ...	1 Jan., 1876
P. E. Stevens ...	Paterangi ...	Auckland ...	1 April, 1876
B. Pilkington ...	Pleasant Point	Canterbury ...	3 Feb., 1876
Robt. Hales ...	Puriri ...	Auckland ...	15 Jan., 1876
C. A. Wells ...	Southbridge ...	Canterbury ...	16 Mar., 1876
Caroline Terry ...	Sumner ...	Canterbury ...	22 Feb., 1876
W. E. Saddler ...	Upper Parnell	Auckland ...	1 Mar., 1876
J. Cosgrove ...	Upper Waikaia	Otago ...	1 Jan., 1876
Geo. A. Tapper ...	Waikivi ...	Otago ...	20 Jan., 1876
John Hook ...	Wainui ...	Canterbury ...	1 Feb., 1876
G. H. E. Mowbray ...	Waitoa ...	Auckland ...	1 April, 1876
J. J. Melhuish ...	Waitohi Flat	Canterbury ...	1 Mar., 1876
W. P. McNeil ...	Washdyke ...	Canterbury ...	1 Mar., 1876
B. Wells ...	Waitaki ...	Otago ...	13 Dec., 1875
John Newton ...	West Eyreton	Canterbury ...	1 Feb., 1876
Jas. E. Green ...	Whakato ...	Auckland ...	1 April, 1876
G. C. Jeffery ...	White Cliffs Junction	Canterbury ...	26 Jan., 1876
Geo. White ...	White's Point	Nelson ...	1 April, 1876

NOTICE TO MARINERS.

No. 8 of 1876.

WEST COAST OF MIDDLE ISLAND, GREY RIVER BAR.

Customs Department (Marine Branch),
Wellington, 24th April, 1876.

THE following Notice to Mariners, received from the Chief Harbour Master, Westland, is published for general information.

H. A. ATKINSON.

A New Channel having opened through the South Spit at this port, leading beacons have been placed at the foot of Arney Street. These beacons lead through the New Channel until near the eastern end, when they should be opened to their own breadth to the N.E. until the South Spit end is passed, then haul up the river as usual. Strangers are cautioned not to use the South Channel as long as the North

Channel is open, as the Signalman has no command over the South Channel with the semaphore.

THOS. TURNBULL,

Chief Harbour Master for Westland.

Greymouth, 12th April, 1876.

OFFICIATING MINISTERS FOR 1876.—NOTICE No. 7.

Registrar-General's Office,
Wellington, 25th May, 1876.

PURSUANT to the provisions of an Act of the General Assembly of New Zealand, passed in the eighteenth year of the reign of Her Majesty Queen Victoria, and intituled "The Marriage Act, 1854," the following names of Officiating Ministers within the meaning of the said Act are published for general information:—

Wesleyan Methodist Society.

The Reverend SAMUEL GARLICK.
" JOHN A. LUXFORD.
" GEORGE W. RUSSELL.
WM. R. E. BROWN,
Registrar-General.

HALF-YEARLY Return of the aggregate average amount of the Weekly Liabilities and Assets of the Bank of Australasia, within the Colony of New Zealand, from the 12th day of October, 1875, to the 10th day of April, 1876, inclusive. Published pursuant to the Royal Charter of Incorporation.

LIABILITIES.		£	s.	d.
Bills in Circulation not bearing Interest	...	5,268	11	9
Notes in Circulation not bearing Interest	...	49,882	9	11
Bills and Notes in Circulation bearing Interest	...	...	...	...
Balances due to other Banks	...	...	...	...
Cash deposited not bearing Interest	...	131,621	15	6
Cash deposited bearing Interest	...	142,768	13	1
Total Liabilities within the Colony	...	£329,541	10	3
ASSETS.		£	s.	d.
Coin and Bullion	...	70,240	12	9
Landed Property (Bank premises)	...	30,659	0	9
Notes and Bills of other Banks	...	3,776	10	1
Balances due from other Banks	...	...	...	...
Debts due to the Corporation, including Notes, Bills, and other Securities	...	752,058	12	8
Total Assets within the Colony	...	£856,734	16	3

24th April, 1876.

J. SAWERS, Acting Manager.
E. TURNER, Acting Accountant.

STATEMENT of the average amount of Liabilities and Assets of the Bank of New Zealand, within the Colony, during the Quarter ended 27th March, 1876.

LIABILITIES.		£	s.	d.
Notes in Circulation	...	443,704	16	3
Bills in Circulation	...	28,450	11	7
Balances due to other Banks	...	268	14	10
Government Deposits	...	853,373	6	11
Other Deposits—	...	...	...	...
Not bearing Interest	...	1,446,463	14	1
Bearing Interest	...	1,131,808	14	7
Total average Liabilities	...	£3,904,069	18	3
ASSETS.		£	s.	d.
Coined Gold and Silver and other Coined Metal	...	510,467	9	2
Gold and Silver in Bullion or Bars	...	74,928	17	4
Notes and Bills of other Banks	...	19,703	2	0
Balances due from other Banks	...	15,161	8	6
Landed Property	...	38,507	9	5

Amount of all other Securities—		£	s.	d.
1. Notes and Bills Discounted	...	1,937,406	13	6
2. Colonial Government Securities	...	386,923	1	6
3. Other Funded Securities	...	7,600	0	0
4. Debts due to the Bank (exclusive of Debts abandoned as bad)	...	2,000,158	8	9
5. Securities not included under the above heads	...	95,118	2	0
Total average Assets	...	£5,085,974	12	2

Amount of the Capital Stock paid up at the close of the Quarter ended 31st March, 1876, £700,000.
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 April, 1876.
D. L. MURDOCH, Inspector.
FREDK. BATTLE, Inspector's Accountant.

STATEMENT of the amount of the average Liabilities and Assets of the Union Bank of Australia, within the Colony of New Zealand, during the Quarter ended 27th March, 1876.

LIABILITIES.		£	s.	d.
Notes in Circulation	...	127,239	16	5
Bills in Circulation	...	24,580	7	4
Balances due to other Banks	...	7	0	10
Government Deposits	...	...	...	...
Other Deposits—	...	...	...	...
Not bearing Interest	...	432,803	13	7
Bearing Interest	...	587,839	14	11
Total average Liabilities	...	£1,172,470	13	1
ASSETS.		£	s.	d.
Coined Gold and Silver and other Coined Metals	...	275,555	5	1
Gold and Silver in Bullion or Bars	...	9,607	17	0
Notes and Bills of other Banks	...	2,776	13	11
Balances due from other Banks	...	7,829	12	7
Landed Property	...	60,500	0	0
Amount of all other Securities—	...	...	...	...
1. Notes and Bills Discounted	...	630,642	15	11
2. Colonial Government Securities	...	...	...	...
3. Other Funded Securities	...	...	...	...
4. Debts due to the Bank (exclusive of Debts abandoned as bad)	...	661,795	16	8
5. Securities not included under the above heads	...	17,152	9	5
Total average Assets	...	£1,665,860	10	7

Amount of the Capital Stock paid up at the close of the Quarter ended 27th March, 1876, £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, £506,991 10s. 8d.
Dated at Wellington, this 12th day of April, 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 March, 1876.

LIABILITIES.		£	s.	d.
Notes in Circulation	...	99,501	15	5
Bills in Circulation	...	762	11	10
Balances due to other Banks	...	9,273	17	3
Government Deposits	...	...	...	...
Other Deposits—	...	...	...	...
Not bearing Interest	...	252,870	3	11
Bearing Interest	...	341,163	10	6
Total average Liabilities	...	£703,571	18	11

ASSETS.			
Coined Gold and Silver and other Coined Metal	£	s.	d.
Gold and Silver in Bullion or Bars	336,299	13	3
Notes and Bills of other Banks	3,060	19	9
Balances due from other Banks	17,265	0	10
Landed Property	24,307	19	9
Amount of all other Securities—			
1. Notes and Bills Discounted	535,502	5	5
2. Colonial Government Securities			
3. Other Funded Securities			
4. Debts due to Bank (exclusive of Debts abandoned as bad)	569,506	16	5
5. Securities not included under the above heads	102,250	5	0
Total average Assets	£1,618,062	1	0

Amount of the Capital Stock paid up at the close of the Quarter ended 31st March, 1876, £1,000,000.
 Rate of the last Dividend declared to the Shareholders, 15 per cent. per annum, and Bonus 2½ 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 19th day of April, 1876.

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

GENERAL 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 January, to 31st March, 1876.

LIABILITIES.			
Notes in Circulation	£	s.	d.
Bills in Circulation	51,194	15	5
Balances due to other Banks	4,929	11	5
Deposits—			
Not bearing Interest	134,678	4	5
Government	17,637	13	8
Bearing Interest	128,468	9	0
Total Amount of Liabilities	£336,908	13	11

ASSETS.			
Coined Gold and Silver and other Coined Metals	£	s.	d.
Gold and Silver in Bullion or Bars	66,847	7	11
Landed Property	2,909	15	10
Notes and Bills of other Banks	30,659	14	8
Balances due from other Banks	3,285	9	0
Amount of all other Securities—			
1. Notes and Bills Discounted	448,807	6	0
2. Colonial Government Securities			
3. Other Funded Securities			
4. Debts due to the Bank (exclusive of Debts abandoned as bad)	314,979	2	0
5. Securities not included under the above heads	1	5	8
Total Amount of Assets	£867,490	1	1

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 17th day of April, 1876.

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

STATEMENT of the average amount of Liabilities and Assets of the National Bank of New

Zealand (Limited), within the Colony, during the Quarter ended 31st March, 1876.

LIABILITIES.			
Notes in Circulation	£	s.	d.
Bills in Circulation	120,681	18	5
Balances due to other Banks	5,460	11	6
Government Deposits	35,023	19	0
Other Deposits—	505	15	8
Not bearing Interest	295,045	17	9
Bearing Interest	302,046	9	10
Total average Liabilities	£758,764	12	2

ASSETS.			
Coined Gold and Silver and other Coined Metal	£	s.	d.
Gold and Silver in Bullion or Bars	132,973	17	1
Notes and Bills of other Banks	25,889	5	6
Balances due from other Banks	6,314	15	9
Landed Property	1,113	13	5
Amount of all other Securities—	47,464	14	2
1. Notes and Bills Discounted	725,520	5	4
2. Colonial Government Securities			
3. Other Funded Securities			
4. Debts due to the Bank (exclusive of Debts abandoned as bad)	588,632	16	4
5. Securities not included under the above heads	18,015	7	1
Total average Assets	£1,545,924	14	8

Amount of the Capital Stock paid up at the close of the Quarter ended 31st March, 1876, £350,000.
 Rate of the last Dividend declared to the Shareholders, 6 per cent. per annum.
 Amount of the last Dividend declared, £10,500.
 Amount of the Reserved Profits at the time of declaring such Dividend, £16,866 0s. 2d.
 Dated at Wellington, this 18th day of April, 1876.

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

GENERAL Statement of the average amount of Liabilities and Assets of the Colonial Bank of New Zealand during the Quarter ended 27th March, 1876.

LIABILITIES.			
Notes in Circulation	£	s.	d.
Bills in Circulation	51,257	16	1
Balances due to other Banks	987	16	0
Government Deposits	22,456	0	0
Other Deposits—			
Not bearing Interest	187,334	7	6
Bearing Interest	121,386	2	3
Total average Liabilities	£333,422	1	10

ASSETS.			
Coined Gold and Silver and other Coined Metal	£	s.	d.
Gold and Silver in Bullion or Bars	101,297	7	6
Notes and Bills of other Banks	10,458	12	7
Balances due from other Banks	1,621	15	2
Landed Property	11,043	0	10
Amount of all other Securities—	1,996	8	2
1. Notes and Bills Discounted	322,717	7	2
2. Colonial Government Securities			
3. Other Funded Securities			
4. Debts due to the Bank (exclusive of Debts abandoned as bad)	215,891	2	4
5. Securities not included under the above heads	12,810	2	4
Total average Assets	£677,835	16	1

Amount of the Capital Stock paid up at the close of the Quarter ended 27th March, 1876, £309,450 7s.
 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, £3,619 19s. 8d.

Dated at Dunedin, this 19th day of April, 1876.
 L. O. BEAL, Manager.

GENERAL STATEMENT of the LIABILITIES and ASSETS of the under-mentioned BANKS in the Colony of NEW ZEALAND, for the QUARTER ended 31st MARCH, 1876.

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	443,704 16 3	28,450 11 7	268 14 10	853,373 6 11	1,446,463 14 1	1,131,808 14 7	3,904,069 18 3
Union Bank of Australia	127,239 16 5	24,580 7 4	7 0 10	...	432,803 13 7	587,839 14 11	1,172,470 13 1
Bank of New South Wales	99,501 15 5	762 11 10	9,273 17 3	...	252,870 3 11	341,163 10 6	703,571 18 11
Bank of Australasia	51,194 15 5	4,929 11 5	...	17,637 13 8	134,678 4 5	123,468 9 0	336,908 13 11
National Bank of New Zealand (Limited)	*120,681 18 5	5,460 11 6	35,023 19 0	505 15 8	295,045 17 9	302,046 9 10	753,764 12 2
Colonial Bank of New Zealand	51,257 16 1	987 16 0	22,456 0 0	...	187,334 7 6	121,386 2 3	383,422 1 10
Totals	893,580 18 0	65,171 9 8	67,029 11 11	871,516 16 3	2,749,196 1 3	2,612,713 1 1	7,259,207 18 2

* Bank of Otago, £1,761.

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	510,467 9 2	74,928 17 4	19,703 2 0	15,161 8 6	38,507 9 5	1,937,406 13 6	386,923 1 6	7,600 0 0	2,000,158 8 9	95,118 2 0	5,085,974 12 2
Union Bank of Australia	275,555 5 1	9,607 17 0	2,776 13 11	7,829 12 7	60,500 0 0	630,642 15 11	...	...	661,795 16 8	17,152 9 5	1,665,860 10 7
Bank of New South Wales	336,299 13 3	29,869 0 7	3,060 19 9	17,265 0 10	24,307 19 9	535,502 5 5	...	...	569,506 16 5	102,250 5 0	1,618,062 1 0
Bank of Australasia	66,847 7 11	2,909 15 10	3,285 9 0	...	30,659 14 8	448,807 6 0	...	...	314,979 2 0	1 5 8	867,490 1 1
National Bank of New Zealand (Limited)	132,973 17 1	25,889 5 6	6,314 15 9	1,113 13 5	47,464 14 2	725,520 5 4	...	...	588,632 16 4	18,015 7 1	1,545,924 14 8
Colonial Bank of New Zealand	101,297 7 6	10,458 12 7	1,621 15 2	11,043 0 10	1,996 8 2	322,717 7 2	...	...	215,891 2 4	12,810 2 4	677,835 16 1
Totals	1,423,441 0 0	153,663 8 10	36,762 15 7	52,412 16 2	203,436 6 2	4,600,596 13 4	386,923 1 6	7,600 0 0	4,350,964 2 6	245,347 11 6	11,461,147 15 7

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	700,000 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	506,991 10 8
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	10,500 0 0	16,866 0 2
Colonial Bank of New Zealand	309,450 7 0	Nil ... ..	...	3,619 19 8
Totals	4,809,450 7 0		318,000 0 0	1,548,914 6 8

Treasury, Wellington, 25th April, 1876.

JAMES C. GAVIN,
for the Secretary to Treasury.

Registrar-General's Office, Wellington, 21st April, 1876.

THE following Return of AGRICULTURAL STATISTICS of the Province of AUCKLAND, in February, 1876, is published for general information:—

N.B.—The differences between the estimated Crops of 1875 and 1876, for the Province, are as follow:—

	1875.	1876.	
Wheat (bushels)	65,110	45,626	Decrease, 19,484
Oats (bushels)	54,862	65,599	Increase, 10,737
Barley (bushels)	4,927	4,107	Decrease, 820
Potatoes (tons)	12,597	13,212	Increase, 615

W. M. R. E. BROWN, Registrar-General.

ACCOUNT OF LAND IN CULTIVATION, AND OF THE AGRICULTURAL PRODUCE THEREOF, IN NEW ZEALAND, FEBRUARY, 1876.

(Taken under the authority of "The Census Acts Amendment Act, 1867.")

PROVINCE OF AUCKLAND.
SUPERINTENDENT COLLECTOR'S RETURN.

ELECTORAL DISTRICTS.	NUMBERS OF HOLDINGS.	Extent of Land broken up, but not under Crop. Acres.	IN WHEAT.		IN OATS.		IN BARLEY.		IN SOWN GRASSES.			IN POTATOES.		IN OTHER CROPS. Acres.	TOTAL NUMBERS OF ACRES UNDER CROP, INCLUDING SOWN GRASSES.	QUANTITY OF LAST YEAR'S CROP REMAINING ON HAND WHEN FORM WAS FILLED UP.			
			Acres (sown for Grain only).	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.	Acres.			Estimated Gross Produce (in tons).	Wheat (bushels).	Oats (bushels).	Barley (bushels).
					For Green Food or Hay.	For Grain.				Acres.	Estimated Gross Produce (in tons).								
MONGONUI AND BAY OF ISLANDS	177	493	19½	301½	67½	65	1,340	3½	25	412½	408½	17,644	114½	468	157½	18,072	160	...	...
MARSDEN	595	1,387½	215½	2,368	152½	245½	4,214	5½	53	479½	596½	27,231	272½	1,015½	315½	28,438½	103	40	...
RODNEY	402	1,464	73	1,020	123½	196	2,394	1½	20	217½	333	21,784½	182	682½	198	22,558½	...	...	...
WAIKEMATA	242	533	29½	732	323	150	3,390	33	1,023	279	373	8,336½	123½	556	325½	9,325½	...	...	...
EDEN	394	333	144	2,873	638½	104	2,344	27	760	1,365	1,529	16,292	363½	1,479½	167	17,736	...	...	...
PARNELL	10	18	...	...	4	...	...	...	...	...	...	106½	2½	11½	7½	120½	...	...	...
NEWTON	40	46	10	48	56½	...	...	...	...	183	255	2,223½	40	177	19	2,349	...	...	...
ONEHUNGA	63	20	...	...	13½	...	...	...	...	108½	145½	332	65	354	9½	420	...	...	...
FRANKLIN	1,170	2,634½	1,092½	24,761	1,836	1,540½	31,206	64½	1,069	4,212½	4,559½	79,764½	1,056½	3,655½	342½	85,696½	6	39	1
WAIKATO	206	2,896	368½	6,853	559½	347½	7,076	6	155	1,955½	2,054½	25,557½	255½	1,097½	133½	27,233½	...	...	...
WAIKATO	313	3,009	250½	5,036	422½	429½	9,092	12	148	2,634½	2,974	46,114½	458½	2,362	147½	47,834½	...	12	...
THAMES	76	237½	3	55	106½	28	510	2	60	34	31½	3,223½	61½	270	39	3,463½	...	...	...
EAST COAST	314	820	128	1,579	386½	399½	4,033	97½	794	782½	823	91,920½	350	1,083	458½	93,740½	10	290	...
AUCKLAND CITY, EAST AND WEST	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
TOTALS OF PROVINCE	4,002	13,891½	2,334½	45,626½	4,690	3,505½	65,599	252½	4,107	12,665	14,083	340,530½	3,351½	13,212½	2,325½	356,988½	279	381	1

I certify that the above is a correct compilation from the original Returns.—T. M. HAULTAIN, Superintendent Collector.

LAND TRANSFER ACT NOTICES.

NOTICE is hereby given, that the several parcels of land hereinafter described will be brought under the provisions of "The Land Transfer Act, 1870," unless caveat be lodged forbidding the same on or before the 27th day of May next.

WELLINGTON. Part Section "339," 2 roods. Bounded—North, 500 links, by Section 340; East, 100 links, by Section 348; South, 500 links, by other part of Section 339; West, 100 links, by Brougham Street. Unoccupied.—JOHN MARTIN, Applicant. 593.

MASTERTON. Small Farm Settlement, Sections 58 and 57, 90 acres (excepting, out of Section 57, 2 roods, the property of one James Walker). In occupation of Henry Charles and Thomas Bentley.—JOHN SMYLLIE McDOWELL THOMPSON and DAVID THOMSON STUART, of Wellington, Merchants, Applicants. 703.

Diagrams may be inspected at this office.

Dated this 25th day of April, 1876, at the Lands Registry Office, Wellington.

JOHN E. SMITH,
District Land Registrar.

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I, the undersigned, hereby make application to register the All Nations 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 All Nations Gold Mining Company (Limited).
2. The place of operations is at Karangahake Hill, District of Ohinemuri, in the Province of Auckland, in the Colony of New Zealand.
3. The registered office of the Company will be situated at Albert and Davy Streets, Grahamstown, in the Province of Auckland, in the Colony of New Zealand.
4. The nominal capital of the Company is twelve thousand pounds sterling, in twelve thousand shares of one pound sterling each.
5. The number of shares subscribed for is twelve thousand, being the entire number of shares in the Company.
6. The number of shares paid up is nil.
7. The amount already paid up is nil.
8. The name of the Manager is Dennis Gilmore MacDonnell.
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.
Henry Dunbar Johnson, Ohinemuri, Licensed Native Interpreter	400
Denis Murphy, Ohinemuri, Storekeeper	800
George Edmunds, Thames, Miner	400
James Stewart, Thames, Gentleman	800
Charles O'Brien, Ohinemuri, Miner	400
Charles Murphy, Ohinemuri, Miner	800
Edward Waddell, Ohinemuri, Miner	400
John Cullen, Ohinemuri, Carpenter	800
William McCloughen, Ohinemuri, Storekeeper	800
David Hogan, Ohinemuri, Miner	400
Charles O'Brien, in trust for John Franklin, Ohinemuri, Miner	400
Henry Gordan, Ohinemuri, Miner	400
John Murphy, Ohinemuri, Miner	800
Clement James Moore, Ohinemuri, Miner	400
George Frederick Thorpe, Ohinemuri, Miner	800
John Brothwell, Ohinemuri, Miner	400
Charles Wallnutt, Auckland, Brewer	400
Dennis Gilmore MacDonnell, Thames, Mining Agent...	2,400
	12,000

Dated this nineteenth day of April, 1876.

D. G. MACDONNELL,
Manager.

Witness to signature—H. Goldsmith, Justice of the Peace.

I, Dennis Gilmore MacDonnell, 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."

D. G. MACDONNELL.

Taken before me at Grahamstown, this nineteenth day of April, 1876—H. Goldsmith, Justice of the Peace. 205.

TAIRUA GOLD MINING COMPANY (LIMITED).

AN Extraordinary General Meeting of the Shareholders of this Company will be held at the Company's Office, Bank Buildings, Queen Street, Auckland, at 2 o'clock in the afternoon of Monday, the 1st day of May, 1876.

Business: To confirm the Resolutions passed at an Extraordinary General Meeting of Shareholders held on Tuesday, the 28th day of March, 1876.

By order of the Directors.

GEO. WINTER,
Secretary.

Auckland, 29th March, 1876.

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THE FIJI BANKING AND COMMERCIAL COMPANY (LIMITED).

NOTICE is hereby given, that an Extraordinary General Meeting of the Fiji Banking and Commercial Company (Limited) will be held at the Registered Office of the Company, Shortland Street, Auckland, on Monday, the 15th day of May next, for the purpose of considering and passing (if approved) Resolutions for Winding-up the Fiji Banking and Commercial Company (Limited), and any business incidental thereto.

WARWICK WESTON,
Secretary.

Auckland, 20th April, 1876.

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ALBION QUARTZ MINING COMPANY (LIMITED).

NOTICE is hereby given, that at a General Meeting of the Albion Quartz Mining Company (Limited), held at the Office of the Company, Shortland Street, Auckland, on Wednesday, the eighteenth day of April instant, the following Special Resolution was confirmed:—"That the Albion Quartz Mining Company (Limited) be wound up voluntarily, under 'The Joint Stock Companies Act, 1860';" and Charles Tohill was appointed Liquidator.

Dated at Auckland, the 20th day of April, 1876.

WHITAKER AND RUSSELL,
Solicitors.

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LONG DRIVE GOLD MINING COMPANY (LIMITED).

NOTICE is hereby given, that at a General Meeting of the Long Drive Gold Mining Company (Limited), held at the Office of the Company, Shortland Street, Auckland, on Wednesday, the eighteenth day of April instant, the following Special Resolution was confirmed:—"That the Long Drive Gold Mining Company (Limited) be wound up voluntarily, under 'The Joint Stock Companies Act, 1860';" and Charles Tohill was appointed Liquidator.

Dated at Auckland, the 20th day of April, 1876.

WHITAKER AND RUSSELL,
Solicitors.

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OUTRAM AND GREYTOWN RAILWAY COMPANY
(LIMITED).

A MEETING of the Shareholders in the above Company was held at Outram on the 26th February, 1876, when the following resolution was passed unanimously:—"That this meeting is of opinion that the affairs of the Company have been fairly wound-up."

THOS. RICHARDSON,
Secretary to Company.

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In the matter of "The Railway Companies Act, 1875," and

In the matter of the Dunedin Peninsula and Ocean Beach Railway Company (Limited).

NOTICE is hereby given, that the plans, &c. (required by section 4 of the above-mentioned Act), of that portion of the above-named Company's projected line of railway from the Anderson's Bay Junction to Portobello have this day been deposited, and may be inspected, at the office of the Registrar of the Supreme Court at Dunedin.

Dated at Dunedin, this nineteenth day of April, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-six.

MACASSEY AND KETTLE,
Solicitors for the said Company.

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PATENT for an Invention for Grubbing or Subsoiling simultaneously with ploughing, by means of an adjustable grubber to be attached to any description of plough.

This is to notify, that FREDERICK LOWE JEFFCOAT, of Winchendon, Saddle Hill, in the Province of Otago, Farmer, did, on the thirteenth day of April instant, deposit at the office of the Patent Officer, in the Colonial Secretary's Office, in Wellington, a specification or instrument in writing, under his hand and seal, particularly describing and ascertaining the nature of the said Invention, and in what manner the same is to be performed; and that by reason of such deposit the said Invention is protected and secured to him exclusively for the term of six calendar months thence next ensuing.

And I do further notify, that the said FREDERICK LOWE JEFFCOAT has given notice in writing, at my office, of his intention to proceed with his application for Letters Patent for the said Invention, and that I have appointed Friday, the eleventh day of August next, at eleven o'clock in the forenoon, at my office, to hear and consider the said application and all objections thereto; and I do hereby require all persons having an interest in opposing the grant of such Letters Patent to leave, on or before the eleventh day of August next, at my office, in Wellington, particulars in writing of their objections to the said application, otherwise they will be precluded from urging the same.

Given under my hand this thirteenth day of April, 1876.

W. S. REID,
Patent Officer.

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PATENT for an Invention for an Improvement in Ploughing by cutting a triangular piece off the land side and producing a lozenge-shaped sod.

This is to notify, that FREDERICK LOWE JEFFCOAT, of Winchendon, Saddle Hill, in the Province of Otago, Farmer, did, on the thirteenth day of April instant, deposit at the office of the Patent Officer, in the Colonial Secretary's Office, in Wellington, a specification or instrument in writing, under his hand and seal, particularly describing and ascertaining the nature of the said Invention, and in what manner the same is to be performed; and that by

reason of such deposit the said Invention is protected and secured to him exclusively for the term of six calendar months thence next ensuing.

And I do further notify, that the said FREDERICK LOWE JEFFCOAT has given notice in writing, at my office, of his intention to proceed with his application for Letters Patent for the said Invention, and that I have appointed Friday, the eleventh day of August next, at eleven o'clock in the forenoon, at my office, to hear and consider the said application and all objections thereto; and I do hereby require all persons having an interest in opposing the grant of such Letters Patent to leave, on or before the seventh day of August, at my office, in Wellington, particulars in writing of their objections to the said application, otherwise they will be precluded from urging the same.

Given under my hand this thirteenth day of April, 1876.

W. S. REID,
Patent Officer.

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In the matter of a Bill to be intituled "An Act to dissolve the Corporation of the City of Dunedin, and to re-incorporate the Citizens of and consolidate and amend the Laws relating to the said City."

NOTICE is hereby given, that application is intended to be made to the General Assembly of New Zealand, at the next ensuing Session thereof, for leave to bring in a Bill to be shortly intituled "The Dunedin Municipal Act, 1876," and that the objects of such Bill will be as follow, that is to say,— To dissolve the Corporation of the City of Dunedin as the same (hereinafter called "the old Corporation"), now exists; to repeal the several Acts and Ordinances specified in the First Schedule to the said Bill to the extent in such Schedule stated, and so far only as the City of Dunedin is concerned; to extend, alter, and re-define the boundaries of the said city, and to divide the same into six wards, and to define the boundaries of such wards respectively; to re-incorporate the citizens of the said city under the name or style of "The Corporation of the City of Dunedin" (hereinafter called "the new Corporation"); to transfer all the real and personal property, rights, and liabilities of the old to the new Corporation; to transfer from James Macandrew, Esquire, Superintendent of the Province of Otago, to the new Corporation, all and singular the lands comprised and described in the Schedule to the "Local Municipal Estate Ordinance, 1857," to be held by the said new Corporation for purposes of public utility, as in the said Bill mentioned. To transfer from the said Superintendent to the said new Corporation all land reserves at present held by the said Superintendent for purposes of public recreation and utility for the Town of Dunedin and its inhabitants, to be held by the said new Corporation for the same or the like purposes. To provide for the qualification and enrolment of the citizens of the said city, the constitution of the Council, and the election of the Mayor, Councillors, Auditors, and Assessors of the said city. To regulate the proceedings of the said Council, the ouster from office of any person unduly elected to, or unlawfully exercising, any civic office as mentioned in the said Bill. To regulate the appointment of officers, the making of contracts, and keeping of accounts by the said Council. To provide for the raising of rates by the said Council upon all rateable property within the said city. To authorize the said Council to impose, collect, and receive tolls in respect of public highways. To provide for the management of all streets and roads within the said city. To vest in the said Council the control and management of the

Waterworks and Gasworks belonging to the said new Corporation, and to regulate the supply of water and gas for the public and private use of the inhabitants of the said city, with such special rating powers in respect of such supply of water and gas as are mentioned in the said Bill. To empower the said Council to construct, carry out, and regulate a thorough system of sewerage and drainage for the said city, with such special rating powers in that behalf as are mentioned in the said Bill; and to empower the said Council to borrow, on the security of the general city rates, or of a special general rate, or of both, any sum not exceeding two hundred thousand pounds, for the purpose of effecting such sewerage and drainage as aforesaid. To empower the said Council to establish, control, and regulate markets, abattoirs, baths and wash-houses within or without the said city. To regulate the construction and use of buildings and places for theatrical or any other kind of public entertainment. To contain penal provisions and to confer upon the said Corporation and its officers plenary powers for the effectual suppression of disorderly or gambling houses, houses of ill fame, and for the prevention of gambling of every kind, lotteries, sweeps, betting, and any disorderly or immoral practices in any public-house or public place in the said city, and for the prevention and suppression of noisome, noisy, or offensive trades, and all other public nuisances whatsoever within the said city. To compel manufacturers, millowners, and others to consume their own smoke; to compel proper ventilation in all public and private buildings in the said city; to compel householders in the said city to use brick cesspools or earth-closets, and to observe such sanitary regulations as the said Council shall make for the preservation of public health. To prevent bribery, corruption, and improper practices at civic elections, and to prevent animals from being slaughtered within a certain distance of the said city. To provide for the extension of the boundaries of the said city. To empower the said Corporation to take private lands for public purposes, giving fair compensation for the same; to make drains through or upon any private lands; to acquire by purchase or lease one or more parcel or parcels of land in the said province, for the purpose of, and to establish and maintain thereon, a manure depôt or manure depôts; to make such contracts or arrangements for the establishment and maintenance of tramways through the streets of the said city as to the said Council shall seem expedient.

To empower the Council of the said Corporation to pass by-laws for the purpose of carrying out all or any of the purposes and provisions of the said Bill, and to subject any offender against any such by-law to such respective penalties as therein mentioned; and also to make general provisions for purposes incidental to or connected with the objects aforesaid, and otherwise to provide for the good government of the said city as mentioned in other clauses of the said Bill.

And notice is hereby given, that copies of the said Bill will be deposited in the Examiner's office within fourteen days after the commencement of the said session.

Dated this fifteenth day of April, 1876.

SMITH, ANDERSON, AND Co.,
Bond Street, Dunedin,

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Solicitors for the said Corporation.

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