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Alteration of Subdivisions of Waikouaiti Road District.

(L.S.) NORMANBY, Governor.

A PROCLAMATION.

WHEREAS by section 7 of "The Otago Road Ordinance 1871 Amendment Ordinance, 1874," it is provided, that it shall be lawful for the Superintendent of the Province of Otago, upon the recommendation of the Provincial Council of the said province, from time to time, by Proclamation, to alter the boundaries of any road district, and either to enlarge or diminish the area thereof; also to increase or diminish the number of subdivisions of any road district, and to alter the boundaries, and to increase or diminish the area of any subdivision or subdivisions of any road district, notwithstanding that any district or any subdivision or subdivisions of any district may already have been constituted by the said Ordinance or by any Proclamation thereunder:

And whereas by section 7 of "The Abolition of Provinces Act, 1875," it is enacted that all powers, duties, and functions which, immediately before the date of the abolition thereunder of any province, were, under or by virtue of any law not expressly or impliedly repealed or altered thereby, vested in or to be exercised by the Superintendent of such abolished province, either alone or with the advice and consent of or on the recommendation of the Executive or Provincial Council of such province, or otherwise as therein mentioned, shall, on the day of the date of the abolition of such province, and for the purposes of the district included within such abolished province, vest in and be exercised by the Governor:

Now therefore, I, George Augustus Constantine, Marquis of Normanby, the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, do hereby proclaim and declare that

the boundaries of the subdivisions of the Waikouaiti Road District are hereby altered, and shall be respectively as follows:—

WARRINGTON SUBDIVISION.

Is bounded towards the South by part of Block II., North Harbour and Blueskin Survey District, to the Main North Road; thence towards the West by said road line to the northern boundary of Section 40, Block I., Waikouaiti Survey District, and being the north-western corner of said section; thence towards the North by the said northern boundary of Section 40 and Sections 41, 42, 43, and part of 44 of said block; thence again towards the West by the western boundary of Section 71; thence again towards the North by the northern boundaries of Sections 71, 72, and 73; thence again towards the West by the western boundaries of Sections 76, 79, and 82; thence again towards the North by the northern boundaries of Sections 82 and part of 81 of said Block I.; thence again towards the West by the western boundary of Section 28, Block III.; thence by a straight line from the north-western corner of said Section 28 to the south-eastern corner of Section 16 of said block; thence again towards the West by the eastern boundary of said Section 16 and Section 15 of said block; thence towards the North-east by the Native reserve to the ocean; thence towards the South-east by the ocean and Blueskin Bay to the starting point.

BEACONSFIELD SUBDIVISION.

Is bounded towards the East by the western boundaries of Sections 82, 79, and 76, Block I., Waikouaiti; towards the South by the northern boundaries of Sections 73, 72, and 71 of said block; thence again towards the East by the western boundary of Section 71; thence again towards the South by the northern boundary of Sections 44, 43, 42, and 41 of said block; thence again towards the South and South-east by the Main North Road; thence towards the South by the southern boundaries of Sections 24, 23, 22, and 2 of 21 of said block; thence

by a line through Block IX., Waikouaiti Survey District, to a point on the south branch of the Waikouaiti River, being a continuation of the southern boundary line of Section 2 of 21, Block I., Waikouaiti; thence towards the North and West by the south branch of the Waikouaiti River to a point on said river west of north-western corner of Section 1, Block I., Waikouaiti Survey District; thence towards the North by a line commencing at said point on the south branch of said Waikouaiti River, and extending to the north-western corner of said Section 1, Block I., Waikouaiti District; thence by said Section 1, and Sections 2, 3, 4, 25, 33, and 83 of said block and district, being the starting point.

MERTON SUBDIVISION.

Is bounded towards the North-west by the Main North Road; towards the South-east by the Native reserve; towards the North-east by other part of said Native reserve; towards the East by the eastern boundaries of Sections 15 and 16, Block III., Waikouaiti Survey District; thence by a straight line from the south-eastern corner of said Section 16 to the north-western corner of Section 28 of said block; thence again towards the East by the western boundary of Section 28 of said block; thence again towards the South by Sections 27, 26, 25, and 24, Block III., and Sections 14, 13, 60, and 12, Block II., Waikouaiti Survey District, to Main North Road, being the starting point.

CLEVEDON SUBDIVISION.

Is bounded towards the North-west by the Waikouaiti River; towards the South-east by the Main North Road; and towards the South by the northern boundary of the Beaconsfield Subdivision of the Waikouaiti Road District.

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 the Government House, at Wellington, this fourteenth day of December, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and seventy-six.

DANIEL POLLEN.

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN!

Land withdrawn from the Nelson South-West Gold Field.

(L.S.) NORMANBY, Governor.

A PROCLAMATION.

WHEREAS by "The Gold Fields Act, 1866," it is provided that it shall be lawful for the Governor, at any time subsequent to the proclamation of a gold field, to withdraw by Proclamation therefrom any Crown lands which he may deem it necessary to withdraw, and that such lands shall thenceforth be dealt with, sold, occupied, and disposed of under any law or laws for the time being in force regulating the sale, occupation, or disposal, or in any way affecting or relating to the management or

dealing with the Crown lands within the province in which such gold field is situate, in like manner in every respect as though such lands had never been comprised in any proclaimed gold field:

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 for this purpose vested in me, do hereby withdraw from the Nelson South-West Gold Field, proclaimed on the eighth day of June, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-eight, so much of the parcel of land described in the Schedule hereto as is included within the said gold field.

SCHEDULE.

ALL that parcel of land in the Provincial District of Nelson, containing by admeasurement four (4) acres, more or less, situated at the Long Ford, in the Upper Buller District, and being section numbered ninety-three (93) of square numbered one hundred and seventy (170). Bounded towards the North by Crown lands, 509 links; towards the East by Gibbs' freehold, 800 links; towards the South by a road reserved along the banks of the Buller River; and towards the West by Crown lands, 800 links.

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 the Government House, at Wellington, this fifteenth day of December, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and seventy-six.

H. A. ATKINSON.

Approved in Council.

FORSTER GORING,
Clerk of the Executive Council.

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN!

Appointing Date for Annual Meeting of Justices in Port Albert Petty Sessions District.

(L.S.) NORMANBY, Governor.

A PROCLAMATION.

WHEREAS by "The Petty Sessions Act, 1865," it is enacted that, as soon as conveniently may be after the establishment of a Petty Sessions District, and afterwards from time to time as may be deemed expedient, the Governor shall, by Proclamation in the *New Zealand Gazette*, appoint a meeting of the Justices resident in such district to be yearly held within such district, at some specified time and place, for the purpose of choosing a Chairman of Petty Sessions and settling a rota of attendance: And whereas, by an Order in Council bearing date the twenty-seventh day of April, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-two, the Petty Sessions District named in the Schedule hereto was, from and after the first day of July, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-two, defined and established as in the said Order in Council mentioned:

Now, therefore, I, George Augustus Constantine, Marquis of Normanby, Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, in pursuance and exercise of the power and authority vested in me, do hereby proclaim and appoint that, for the district named in the Schedule hereto, a meeting of the Justices of the Peace resident within such district shall be yearly held at the place whereof the name is in the said Schedule set opposite to the name of such district, at eleven o'clock in the forenoon on the second Monday in the month of January, for the purpose of choosing a Chairman and settling a rota of attendance.

SCHEDULE.

Name of District.	Place of Meeting.
Port Albert District...	The Public Hall at Albert Town.

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 the Government House, at Wellington, this sixteenth day of December, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and seventy-six.

DANIEL POLLEN.

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN!

Land reserved for Wellington to Masterton Railway.

NORMANBY, Governor.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government House, at Wellington, this twelfth day of December, 1876.

Present:

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR IN COUNCIL.

WHEREAS by "The Waste Lands Act, 1858," it is enacted that it shall be lawful for the Governor in Council, at any time and from time to time, to except from sale, and either reserve to Her Majesty or dispose of in such other manner as for the public interest may seem best, such of the waste lands of the Crown in any of the provinces of the colony as may be required for the purposes of military defence, or for the construction of trunk lines of road, or as sites for public buildings for the use of the General Government, or for other purposes of public utility or convenience:

Now, therefore, His Excellency the Governor, by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of the Colony, in exercise and pursuance of the power and authority in that behalf vested in him, doth hereby except from sale and reserve to Her Majesty so much of the waste lands of the Crown as is particularly specified and described in the Schedule hereunder written, for the purpose in the said Schedule mentioned, and set opposite the description of the said parcel of land.

SCHEDULE.

Description of Reserve.	Purpose of Reserve.
<p>WELLINGTON TO MASTERTON RAILWAY, (Portion of).</p> <p>All that piece or parcel of land situate in the Provincial District of Wellington, in the Colony of New Zealand, and containing by admeasurement 6500 acres, more or less, commencing at a point at the south-east corner of Section No. 416, Hutt District, and running in a north-westerly direction, 9514 links or thereabouts; thence in a north-easterly direction, 4520 links or thereabouts; thence in a northerly direction, 8570 links or thereabouts; thence in a north-easterly direction, 3601 links or thereabouts; thence in a northerly direction, 2900 links or thereabouts; thence in a north-easterly direction, 4198 links or thereabouts; thence in a south-easterly direction, 1764 and 5032 links or thereabouts; thence in a south-west direction, 8950 links or thereabouts; thence in a south-westerly direction, 677 links or thereabouts, to the Pakuratahi River; thence following the western bank of the said river to a point nearly opposite to the 31st mile peg on the railway line; thence in a north-westerly direction, 3100 links or thereabouts; thence in a north-easterly direction, 7200 links or thereabouts; thence in a south-easterly direction to top of Rimutaka Range, 14700, 2000, 1500 links or thereabouts, respectively; thence in a south-westerly direction along that range; thence in a south-easterly direction, 7700 links or thereabouts to the north-west corner of land belonging to Mr. L. Cross, in the Wairarapa District; thence along the western boundary of said land, 2560 links or thereabouts; thence in a southerly direction, 1400 links or thereabouts; thence in a north-easterly direction, 60 links or thereabouts to the north bank of a creek which runs parallel to the railway line, following up that creek on its north bank to a point nearly opposite to the 35th mile peg on railway line; thence in westerly direction, 3200 links; thence in a north-westerly direction, 8500 links, to the south bank of the Pakuratahi River, following the south and east bank of said river and crossing same at a bearing of 135° 00', 3200 links or thereabouts; thence in a south-westerly direction, 2000 links or thereabouts; thence in a north-westerly and westerly direction to the original starting point, 4700, 11900 links or thereabouts, respectively; the same being delineated upon the plan marked P.W.D. 5255, which plan is deposited in the office of the Minister for Public Works at Wellington.</p>	<p>For the purpose of the construction of a line of railway from Wellington to Masterton, authorized to be constructed under "The Railways Acts, 1871 and 1872."</p>

FORSTER GORING,
Clerk of the Executive Council.

Land reserved for Foxton to Manawatu Railway.

NORMANBY, Governor.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government House, at Wellington, this fifteenth day of December, 1876.

Present:

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR IN COUNCIL.

WHEREAS by "The Waste Lands Act, 1858," it is enacted that it shall be lawful for the Governor in Council, at any time and from time to time, to except from sale, and either reserve to Her Majesty or dispose of in such other manner as for the public interest may seem best, such of the waste lands of the Crown in any of the provinces

of the colony as may be required for the purposes of military defence, or for the construction of trunk lines of road, or as sites for public buildings for the use of the General Government, or for other purposes of public utility or convenience:

Now, therefore, His Excellency the Governor, by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of the Colony, in exercise and pursuance of the power and authority in that behalf vested in him, doth hereby except from sale and reserve to Her Majesty the parcel of the waste lands of the Crown particularly specified and described in the Schedule hereunder written, for the purpose in the said Schedule mentioned, and set opposite the description of the said parcel of land.

SCHEDULE.

PROVINCIAL DISTRICT OF WELLINGTON.

Description of Reserve.	Purpose of Reserve.
All that parcel of land being a width of one and a half chains of land running along the eastern and south-eastern and southern side of the Foxton-Manawatu Railway, from the point where the northern boundary of the Awa Hou Block (called the Township of Foxton) crosses the railway line, and extending northward and then north-eastward and eastward to a point where the western boundary of a Native reserve for the Rangitane tribe abuts on the road and railway line; being a total distance in length of six miles and sixteen chains, or thereabouts.	For the purpose of the construction of a line of railway from Foxton to Manawatu, authorized to be constructed by "The Railways Act, 1874."

FORSTER GOING,
Clerk of the Executive Council.

Land reserved for a Site for a Telegraph Station.

NORMANBY, Governor.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government House, at Wellington, this fifteenth day of December, 1876.

Present:

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR IN COUNCIL.

WHEREAS by "The Waste Lands Act, 1858," it is enacted that it shall be lawful for the Governor in Council, at any time and from time to time, to except from sale, and either reserve to Her Majesty or dispose of in such other manner as for the public interest may seem best, such of the waste lands of the Crown in any of the provinces of the colony as may be required for the purposes of military defence, or for the construction of trunk lines of road, or as sites for public buildings for the use of the General Government, or for other purposes of public utility or convenience:

Now, therefore, His Excellency the Governor, by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of the Colony, in exercise and pursuance of the power and authority in that behalf vested in him, doth hereby except from sale and reserve to Her Majesty the parcel of the waste lands of the Crown particularly specified and described in the Schedule hereunder written, for the purpose in the said Schedule mentioned, and set opposite the description of the said parcel of land.

SCHEDULE.

PROVINCIAL DISTRICT OF NELSON.

Description of Reserve.	Purpose of Reserve.
All that parcel of land containing by admeasurement four (4) acres, more or less, situate at Long Ford, in the Upper Buller District, and being Section No. 93 of Square No. 170. Bounded towards the North by Crown lands, 509 links; towards the East by Gibbs' freehold, 800 links; towards the South by road reserved along the banks of the Buller River; and towards the West by Crown lands, 800 links.	For a site for Telegraph Station.

FORSTER GOING,
Clerk of the Executive Council.

Meeting of Electors of the Third District, Provincial District of Taranaki, appointed.

NORMANBY, Governor.

WHEREAS by the forty-ninth section of an Ordinance of the late Province of Taranaki the short title whereof is "The Roads and Bridges Ordinance, 1858," it is enacted that it shall be lawful for the Superintendent, by notice published in the Government Gazette of the province, from time to time (amongst other things) to alter the month in which general meetings of the electors of any district shall be held: Provided that no such last-mentioned notice shall at any time be published without previous approval of the Provincial Council expressed by a resolution of the said Council:

And whereas by the seventh section of "The Abolition of Provinces Act, 1875," it is enacted that all powers, duties, and functions which immediately before the date of the abolition thereunder of any province were, under or by virtue of any law not expressly or impliedly repealed or altered hereby, vested in or to be exercised or performed by the Superintendent of such abolished province, either done by or with the advice and consent of, or on the recommendation of, the Executive or Provincial Council of such province, or which, by virtue of "The Public Reserves Act, 1854," or any Act amending the same, or by virtue of any Waste Lands Act, or any regulations made thereunder or otherwise howsoever, would but for that Act have been exercised only under an Ordinance of such abolished province, shall, on the day of the date of the abolition of such province, and for the purposes of the district included within such abolished province, vest in and be exercised and performed by the Governor:

And whereas by Warrant under the hand of His Excellency the Governor, bearing date the twelfth day of December, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-six, the districts numbered respectively Third and Tenth were constituted a single district for the purposes of "The Roads and Bridges Ordinance, 1858," aforesaid, under the name of the Third District:

And whereas it is necessary to appoint a time and place for the first meeting of the electors of the said Third District:

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 by the said in part recited Acts, do hereby appoint the twenty-third day of December instant, at noon, to be the time of meeting of the electors of the said Third

District, and that the said meeting shall be held in the Taranaki Institute, at New Plymouth.

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

Approved in Council.

FORSTER GORING,
Clerk of the Executive Council.

Times of Meetings of the Waste Lands Board of the Land District of Marlborough.

NORMANBY, GOVERNOR.

WHEREAS by the first subsection of section twenty-six of "The Waste Lands Administration Act, 1876," it is provided that the Waste Land Boards of the respective land districts shall sit at the Land Office in the principal town of the land district, at certain times to be determined by the Board and approved of by the Governor, and published in the *New Zealand Gazette*:

Now, therefore, I, George Augustus Constantine, Marquis of Normanby, the Governor of New Zealand, in exercise of the power and authority vested in me in that behalf by "The Waste Lands Administration Act, 1876," do hereby fix and determine that the ordinary meetings of the Waste Lands Board of the Land District of Marlborough shall be held at the Principal Land Office, at Blenheim, on the first Monday in every month, at eleven o'clock a.m.: Provided that, whenever the same shall fall on the 1st January, Easter Monday, Queen's Birthday, Prince of Wales' Birthday, Christmas Day, the 26th December, or any proclaimed holiday, or in the event of there being no quorum present at the time before specified, the Board shall sit on the following Monday, at eleven o'clock a.m.

As witness the hand of His Excellency, this eighteenth day of December, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-six.

H. A. ATKINSON.

Appointment of a Minister for Public Works for the purposes of "The Public Works Act, 1876."

Executive Council Chamber,
Wellington, 13th December, 1876.

HIS Excellency the Governor has this day been pleased to appoint

The Hon. EDWARD RICHARDSON,
being a Member of the Executive Council of the Colony of New Zealand, as and to be the Minister for Public Works for the purposes of "The Public Works Act, 1876."

By command.

FORSTER GORING,
Clerk of the Executive Council.

Returning Officers for Waiapu and Te Arai Ridings appointed.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Wellington, 13th December, 1876.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint

WALTER EDWARD GUDGEON, Esq.,
to be Returning Officer for the Riding of Waiapu, in the County of Cook, *vice* James Hunter Campbell, Esq., resigned; and

Sergeant-Major THOMAS BAKER, A.C.,
to be Returning Officer for the Riding of Te Arai, in the County of Cook, *vice* Walter Edward Gudgeon, Esq., resigned.

DANIEL POLLEN.

Mayor re-elected.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Wellington, 15th December, 1876.

IT is hereby notified, that, in conformity with clause 133 of "The Municipal Corporations Act, 1867," the name of the under-mentioned person has been sent in to this office by the Town Clerk as having been re-elected Mayor for the Borough set opposite his name:—

GEORGE SCARBROUGH—AKAROA.
DANIEL POLLEN.

Letters of Naturalization issued.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Wellington, 20th December, 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.
Alexander Stenberg ...	Settler ...	Makaretu Reserve, Hawke's Bay.
Ernst Louis Rother ...	Weaver ...	Christchurch.
Bartholo Turnwald ...	Farmer ...	Puhoi, Auckland.
Hans Smith ...	Mariner ...	Lyttelton.

H. A. ATKINSON,
(for the Colonial Secretary).

By-law of Palmerston North Local Board.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Wellington, 20th December, 1876.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to approve a By-law made by the Palmerston North Local Board, adopting the following subdivisions of "The Municipal Corporations Act, 1867":—

Part I.: Subdivisions (1), (3), (4), (5), (6), (7), (8), and (9).

The whole of Part II.

Part V.: Subdivision (2).

The whole of Parts VI., VIII., IX., and XI.

H. A. ATKINSON,
(for the Colonial Secretary).

Alteration of Rules.

Department of Justice (Education Branch),
Wellington, 18th December, 1876.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to approve of the following alteration in No. 4 of the Rules and Regulations of the Patea Education Board, *viz.*,—

For "Two weeks at Christmas," read "Three weeks at Christmas."

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

Appointment of Volunteer Officer.

Colonial Defence Office,
Wellington, 16th December, 1876.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to make the under-mentioned appointment:—

In the No. 3 Company, Auckland Rifle Volunteers. Denis Kelly to be Lieutenant. Date of commission, 23rd September, 1875.

DANIEL POLLEN.
(for the Native Minister).

Appointment of Volunteer Officer.

Colonial Defence Office,
Wellington, 20th December, 1876.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to make the under-mentioned appointment:—

In the Port Chalmers Naval Volunteers.
James Menelaus to be Sub-Lieutenant. Date of commission, 13th October, 1876.

J. D. ORMOND,
(for the Native Minister).

Appointment of Volunteer Officer.

Colonial Defence Office,
Wellington, 12th December, 1876.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to make the under-mentioned appointment, viz.,—

In the No. 5 Company, Canterbury Rifle Volunteers.
George William Wearing to be Sub-Lieutenant.
Date of commission, 3rd September, 1876.

DANIEL POLLEN,
(for the Native Minister).

Resignation of Volunteer Officers.

Colonial Defence Office,
Wellington, 16th December, 1876.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to accept the resignation of the commissions held by the under-mentioned officers, viz.,—

Sub-Lieutenant W. A. Cowan, Te Awamutu Cavalry Volunteers;
Sub-Lieutenant A. Burns, Invercargill Rifle Volunteers.
Sub-Lieutenant E. Donoghue, Arrow Rifle Volunteers.

DANIEL POLLEN,
(for the Native Minister).

Resignation of Armed Constabulary Officer.

Colonial Defence Office,
Wellington, 16th December, 1876.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to accept the resignation of the commission held by

1st Class Sub-Inspector Thomas Withers, Armed Constabulary Force. From the 8th November, 1876.

DANIEL POLLEN,
(for the Native Minister).

Resignation of Volunteer Officer.

Colonial Defence Office,
Wellington, 20th December, 1876.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to accept the resignation of the commission held by

Captain H. Kitchener, Palmerston (South) Rifle Volunteers.

J. D. ORMOND,
(for the Native Minister).

Resignation of Volunteer Officer.

Colonial Defence Office,
Wellington, 12th December, 1876.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to accept the resignation of the commission held by

Lieutenant D. Christie, East Taieri Rifle Volunteers.

DANIEL POLLEN,
(for the Native Minister).

Assistant Surveyor, Canterbury, appointed.

General Crown Lands Office,
Wellington, 13th December, 1876.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint

GEORGE LAWRENCE WILKINS, Esq.,
to be Assistant Surveyor, Canterbury, in the Department of the Surveyor-General. To date from the 22nd ultimo.

H. A. ATKINSON.

Chief Surveyor, Otago, appointed.

General Crown Lands Office,
Wellington, 13th December, 1876.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint

WILLIAM ARTHUR, Esq.,
to be Chief Surveyor of Otago, in the Department of the Surveyor-General. To date from 1st January, 1877.

H. A. ATKINSON.

Inspector of Surveys, Southland, appointed.

General Crown Lands Office,
Wellington, 13th December, 1876.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint

JOHN SPENCE, Esq.,
to be Inspector of Surveys, Southland, *vice* J. H. Baker, promoted, in the Department of the Surveyor-General. To date from 1st January, 1877.

H. A. ATKINSON.

Assistant Surveyor-General appointed.

General Crown Lands Office,
Wellington, 16th December, 1876.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint

JAMES MCKERROW, Esq.,
to be Assistant Surveyor-General in the Department of the Surveyor-General. To date from 1st January, 1877.

H. A. ATKINSON.

Geodesical Surveyor appointed.

General Crown Lands Office,
Wellington, 16th December, 1876.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint

STEPHENSON PERCY SMITH, Esq.,
to be First Geodesical Surveyor in the Department of the Surveyor-General. To date from 1st January, 1877.

H. A. ATKINSON.

Chief Surveyor, Canterbury, appointed.

General Crown Lands Office,
Wellington, 18th December, 1876.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint

JOHN HOLLAND BAKER, Esq.,
to be Chief Surveyor of Canterbury, in the Department of the Surveyor-General. To date from 1st January, 1877.

H. A. ATKINSON.

New Plymouth Harbour Board.

Customs Department (Marine Branch),
Wellington, 18th December, 1876.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint

FRANCIS ULLATHORNE GLEDHILL, Esq., J.P.,
FREDERIC ALONZO CARRINGTON, Esq., J.P., and
GEORGE CURTIS, Esq., J.P.,

to be Members of the New Plymouth Harbour Board.

H. A. ATKINSON,
(for the Commissioner of Customs).

Application for Registration of a Trade Mark.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Wellington, 16th December, 1876.

NOTICE is hereby given, that Mr. EDWARD WATERS, Patent Agent, of Melbourne, in the Colony of Victoria, has applied on behalf of Mr. JOSEPH WERTHEIM, of Bornheim, near Frankfort on the Main, in the Empire of Germany, Sewing Machine Manufacturer, to register under "The Trade Marks Act, 1866," the Trade Marks of which the following are descriptions, viz.,—

Description of No. 1 Trade Mark.

A paper label bearing an engraving representing the dwarf or gnome of German fable in a sitting posture, with a mallet resting on his shoulder, and a long flowing beard reaching to his feet.

Nature of the Article to which it is intended such Trade Mark shall apply.

Sewing Machines.

Description of No. 2 Trade Mark.

A paper label bearing the word "Wertheim."

Nature of the Article to which it is intended such Trade Mark shall apply.

Sewing Machines.

G. S. COOPER,
(for the Registrar of Trade Marks).

Money Order and Savings Bank Offices opened.

General Post Office,
Wellington, 14th December, 1876.

IT is hereby notified, for general information, that Money Order and Savings Bank Offices will be opened at

KAITANGATA—Chief Office, Dunedin;
LYELL—Chief Office, Westport;
WAITOTARA—Chief Office, Wellington;
WOOLSTON—Chief Office, Christchurch;

from the 1st January, 1877.

By order,
W. GRAY,
Secretary.

Medical Referee appointed.

Government Insurance Office,
Wellington, 15th December, 1876.

THE under-mentioned gentleman has been appointed Medical Referee under "The Government Insurance and Annuities Act, 1874," for the District of Tokomairiro, *vice* F. McBean Stewart, Esq., resigned:

PETER STEWART, Esq., M.D.
J. WOODWARD,
Deputy Commissioner.

Caution.

THERE being reason to believe that Merchants, Storekeepers, and others frequently render themselves liable to penalties under Section 95 of "The Stamp Act, 1875," owing probably to a misapprehension of the provisions of Section 94 which defines the term "receipt," the public is hereby informed that whenever any acknowledgment (signed or not signed) of any sum of two pounds and upwards is made, whether such acknowledgment be for cash received or by contra account, whether for a Bill of Exchange or Promissory Note, or on final settlement of a debt amounting to two pounds and upwards paid by instalments of sums under two pounds, and whether such acknowledgment take the form of an ordinary receipt, or merely that of an entry in cash-book, ledger, or other book, or of any other form whatsoever which signifies or imports any penny acknowledgment, a stamp of the value of one penny should be affixed and duly cancelled.

Every person who writes or signs, or causes to be written or signed, any such receipt or acknowledgment, unless the same be duly stamped, is liable to a penalty of ten pounds; and a like penalty is imposed upon every person who refuses to give a duly stamped receipt, or who gives a receipt for an amount less than that paid, or who separates or divides the amount paid, with intent to evade the duty.

R. C. HAMMERTON,
Secretary for Stamps.

Head Office, Stamp Department,
Wellington, 15th December, 1876.

Wellington Waste Land Board Notice.

Crown Lands Office,
Wellington, 12th December, 1876.

NOTICE is hereby given, that the Waste Land Board of the Provincial District of Wellington have this day resolved that no applications will hereafter be received for the purchase of unsurveyed Crown Lands.

J. G. HOLDSWORTH,
Chief Commissioner of Waste Land Board.

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 29th day of January, 1877.

2463. DAVID CARO.—1 acre 2 roods 4 perches, part of Rural Sections 1961 and 2626, District of Ashley, being Lots 49, 50, 51, 53, Leithfield.

2754. ROBERT DAWBER.—6 acres, part of Rural Section 7588, District of Akaroa; also, 18 acres, part of Rural Section 186, same district. In occupation of Applicant.

2797. HYMAN MARKS.—Rural Sections 2160, 2252, and 5818, District of Ashburton.

2833. JOHN SENIOR WOODHOUSE.—13 acres 2 roods, part of Rural Sections 10690, 10691, and 10692, District of Ashley. In occupation of Applicant.

2859. GEORGE WILLIAM HALES.—2 acres, part of Rural Section 154, District of Christchurch. In occupation of Applicant.

2860. EDWARD FRENCH BUTTERMOR HARSTON.—Rural Section 3230, District of Lincoln.

2867. GEORGE BRASELL.—1 acre, part of Rural Section 1959, District of Timaru, being Lot 16 on deposited plan of subdivision. In occupation of Robert Brasell.

2884. GEORGE MICHAEL TOPHAM.—Rural Section 10710, District of Ellesmere.

2888. GEORGE WRATT.—Rural Sections 1697, 1698, 1699, and 8050, District of Oxford.

2889. WILLIAM REEVES.—Rural Section 9209, District of Upper Christchurch.

2895. EDWARD PEARCE.—Section 15, Town of Timaru.

2903. PATRICK CONNELL.—Rural Section 12439, District of Timaru.

Diagrams may be inspected at this office.

Dated this 15th day of December, 1876, at the Lands Registry Office, Christchurch.

646 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 be lodged forbidding the same in each case on or before the 27th day of January next, 1877.

Hutt District, part Section 5, 13 acres 1 rood 27 perches. Bounded—N. 772 links and W. 1745 links by other parts of Section 5; E. 1729 links by Section 6; and S. 766 links by Petone Beach.—In occupation of JOSEPH ENOCH JACKSON, the Applicant. 759.

Wellington Reclaimed Land. Allotments 24 and 25, 19½ perches.—In occupation of GEORGE HUNTER, the Applicant. 756.

Diagrams may be inspected at this office.

Dated this 19th day of December, 1876, at the Lands Registry Office, Wellington.

648 JOHN E. SMITH,
District Land Registrar.

LAND TRANSFER ACT NOTICES.

NOTICE is hereby given, that the several parcels of land hereinafter described will be brought under the provisions of "The Land Transfer Act, 1870," unless caveat be lodged forbidding the same on or before the 25th day of January, 1877.

PHILIP CAMPBELL HILL GLOVER.—Allotment 62, and parts of Allotments 37 and 57, in the Parish of Papakura, County of Eden, containing 155 acres and 2 roods. In occupation of Applicant.

EDWARD BALDOCK.—Lot No. 9 of Section 2 of subdivision into lots of Allotment 9 of Section 7 of the Suburbs of Auckland. Unoccupied. 1024.

THOMAS JOHNSON.—Parts of Allotments 68 and 71 of Section 1 of the Suburbs of Auckland, containing 1 acre and 18 perches. In occupation of Applicant and of three weekly tenants. 1025.

CHARLES FRANCIS HULME.—Part of Allotment 11 of Section 2 of the Suburbs of Auckland, containing 2 roods and 14 perches. Unoccupied. 1026.

FREDERICK BLANCH WOODHAM.—Part of Allotment 20A of Section 2 of the Parish of Takapuna. Unoccupied. 1080.

Diagrams may be inspected at this office.

Dated this 12th day of December, 1876, at the Lands Registry Office, Auckland.

647 THEO. KISSLING,
District Land Registrar.

DISSOLUTION OF COPARTNERSHIP.

THE Copartnership heretofore subsisting between the undersigned, as Barristers and Solicitors, at

Christchurch, under the style or firm of "Joynt and O'Neill," has this day been dissolved by mutual consent.

The business will henceforth be carried on at the Chambers of the late firm in Hereford Street, Christchurch, by Mr. Joynt, in his own name and on his own account.

Dated this 2nd day of December, 1876.

J. J. JOYNT.

ALLAN WM. O'NEILL.

Witness—C. A. C. Cuningham, Law Clerk, Christchurch. 645

In the matter of the Extended Water-Race and Sluicing Company (Registered). And in the matter of "The Mining Companies Limited Liability Act, 1865," and "The Mining Companies Act, 1872."

NOTICE is hereby given, that the situation of the Registered Office of the above Company has been changed from Main Gully, Naseby, to the head of Home Gully, Naseby; and that the name of the Manager of the said Company is LANCELOT HORE.

Dated this 4th day of December, 1876.

REUBEN R. HORE,

JOHN HORE,

641 Two of the Directors of the Extended Water-Race and Sluicing Company (Registered).

STATEMENT of the Affairs of the Hibernian Water Race Company (Registered), for the half-year ended 11th December, 1876, in accordance with section 135 of "The Mining Companies Act, 1872."

Name of Company: The Hibernian Water Race Company (Registered).

When formed, and date of registration: 21st September, 1872; 24th September, 1872.

Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Hamilton and Co.'s premises, Mawhera Quay, Greymouth; James Hamilton.

Nominal capital: £6,000.

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

Number of shares in which capital is divided: 1,200.

Number of shares taken: 1,200.

Amount of calls made: £2,700.

Total amount of subscribed capital paid up: £2,700.

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

Amount of cash in hand: £15 18s. 5d.

Whether in operation or not: In operation.

Total amount of dividends declared: None.

Number of shares unallotted: None.

11th December, 1876.

JAS. HAMILTON,
Manager.

STATEMENT of the Affairs of the New River Water Race Company (Registered), for the half-year ended 11th December, 1876, in accordance with section 135 of "The Mining Companies Act, 1872."

Name of Company: The New River Water Race Company (Registered).

When formed, and date of registration: 21st September, 1872; 13th October 1872.

Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Hamilton and Co.'s premises, Mawhera Quay, Greymouth; James Hamilton.

Nominal capital: £10,000.

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

Number of shares in which capital is divided: 10,000, each 20s.

Number of shares taken: 10,000.

Amount of calls made: £5,000.

Total amount of subscribed capital paid up: £5,000.

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

Amount of cash in hand: £17 17s. 7d.

Whether in operation or not: Not in operation.

Total amount of dividends declared: None.

Number of shares unallotted: None.

11th December, 1876.

JAS. HAMILTON,
Manager.

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