

"The New Zealand University Act, 1874," and "The New Zealand University Act 1874 Amendment Act, 1875," the body corporate established by "The New Zealand University Act, 1870," has been reconstituted, and declared to be a University, consisting of a Chancellor, a Vice-Chancellor, Fellows, and Graduates, and as such has been incorporated and made a body politic, with perpetual succession, under the name of "The University of New Zealand," with power to grant the several degrees of Bachelor and Master in Arts, and Bachelor and Doctor in Law, Medicine, and Music: And whereas our Right Trusty and Entirely-beloved Cousin and Councillor, George Augustus Constantine, Marquis of Normanby, Knight Commander of Our Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George, now Our Governor and Commander-in-Chief in and over Our said colony, hath moved Us to grant Letters Patent requiring all Our subjects to recognize the degrees given under the said recited Acts, in the same manner as if the said degrees had been granted by an University of the United Kingdom: Now know ye, that We, taking the premises into consideration, and deeming it to be the duty of Our Royal Office, for the promotion of sound learning, to hold forth to all classes and denominations of Our faithful subjects, without any distinction whatsoever through Our dominions, encouragements for pursuing a regular and liberal course of education, and considering that many persons do prosecute or complete their studies in the Colony of New Zealand, on whom it is just to confer such distinctions and rewards as may induce them to persevere in such their laudable pursuits, do, by virtue of Our prerogative and of Our special grace, certain knowledge, and mere motion, by these presents, for Us, Our heirs and successors, will, grant, and declare that the degrees of Bachelor and Master in Arts, and Bachelor and Doctor in Law, Medicine, and Music, hereafter to be granted or conferred by the said University of New Zealand, shall be recognized as academic distinctions and rewards of merit, and be entitled to rank, precedence, and consideration in Our United Kingdom and in Our Colonies and Possessions throughout the World, as fully as if the said degrees had been granted by any University of Our said United Kingdom: And We further will and ordain that no variation of the constitution of the said University which may at any time or from time to time be made by an Act of the General Assembly of New Zealand, shall, unless the standard of knowledge now established, or a like standard in the opinion of Our Governor for the time being, duly proclaimed in Our said colony, be not preserved as a necessary condition for obtaining the aforesaid degrees therein, in any manner annul, abrogate, circumscribe, or diminish the privileges conferred on the said University by these Our Letters Patent, nor the ranks, rights, privileges, and considerations conferred by such degrees: And, lastly, We do hereby, for Us, Our heirs and successors, grant and declare that these Our Letters Patent, or the enrolment or exemption thereof, shall be in and by all things valid and effectual in the law, according to the true intent and meaning of the same, and shall be construed and judged in the most favourable and beneficial sense for the best advantage of the said University, as well as in all Our Courts or elsewhere, notwithstanding any non-recital, uncertainty, or imperfection in these Our Letters Patent.

In witness whereof we have caused these Our Letters to be made Patent. Witness Ourselves at Westminster, the 29th day of July, in the fortieth year of Our reign.

By Warrant under the Queen's Sign-Manual.

C. ROMILLY.

Mayor elected.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Wellington, 6th January, 1877.

IT is hereby notified, that, in conformity with clause 133 of "The Municipal Corporations Act, 1867," the name of the following person has been sent in to this office as having been elected Mayor for the place set opposite his name:—

JOHN MUNRO—Westport.

CHARLES C. BOWEN,
(for the Colonial Secretary).

Public Vaccinator appointed.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Wellington, 8th January, 1877.

IT is hereby notified, that, under the provisions of "The Public Health Act, 1876," His Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint the under-mentioned gentleman to be a Public Vaccinator, to perform gratuitous vaccination in accordance with the provisions of the said Act, and any regulations made or to be made thereunder, for the district mentioned in the Schedule hereto, and set opposite his name.

CHARLES C. BOWEN,
(for the Colonial Secretary).

SCHEDULE.

ALBERT ISAAC GARLAND, Esq., L.R.C.P.E.—Oamaru.

Registrar of Births, Deaths, and Marriages appointed.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Wellington, 5th January, 1877.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint

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

CHARLES C. BOWEN,
(for the Colonial Secretary).

Deputy District Land Registrar appointed.

Department of Justice,
Wellington, 3rd January, 1877.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint

THOMAS COTTER, Esq.,
to be Deputy District Land Registrar for the District of Auckland.

CHARLES C. BOWEN.

Clerk of Resident Magistrate's Court appointed.

Department of Justice,
Wellington, 3rd January, 1877.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint

WILLIAM SOMERVILLE, Esq.,
to be Clerk of the Resident Magistrate's Court in Maclaggan Street, Dunedin.

CHARLES C. BOWEN.

Gaoler appointed.

Department of Justice,
Wellington, 3rd January, 1877.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint

SAMUEL CHARLES PHILLIPS, Esq.,
to be Gaoler of the Prison at Lyttelton under "The Prisons Act, 1873," *vice* Mr. Reston resigned.
CHARLES C. BOWEN.

Examiner of Titles appointed.

Department of Justice,
Wellington, 4th January, 1877.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint

FREDERICK GEORGE MORGAN, Esq.,
to be an Examiner of Titles for the District of Canterbury.
CHARLES C. BOWEN.

Resident Magistrate appointed.

Department of Justice,
Wellington, 5th January, 1877.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint

EDGAR HALL CAREW, Esq., R.M.,
to be a Resident Magistrate for the District of Clutha (*vice* J. P. Maitland, Esq., transferred), and as such to exercise extended jurisdiction to £100.
CHARLES C. BOWEN.

Coroner appointed.

Department of Justice,
Wellington, 5th January, 1877.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint

GERARD GEORGE FITZGERALD, Esq., R.M.,
of Hokitika, to be a Coroner within the colony.
CHARLES C. BOWEN.

Sheriff appointed.

Department of Justice,
Wellington, 5th January, 1877.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint

THEODORE MINET HAULTAIN, Esq., J.P.,
to be Sheriff for the District of Auckland. This appointment to take effect from the 1st day of February proximo.
CHARLES C. BOWEN.

Certificated Accountant in Bankruptcy appointed.

Department of Justice,
Wellington, 5th January, 1877.

IT is hereby notified that Mr. District Judge Broad has appointed

ARTHUR WILLIAM SCAIFE, Esq.,
of Nelson, to be a Certificated Accountant in Bankruptcy.
CHARLES C. BOWEN.

Offer of Reward for Capture of Horopapara.

£100 REWARD.

Department of Justice,
Wellington, 8th January, 1877.

WHEREAS Horopapara, an aboriginal native, was convicted on the 30th October last, at the District Court at New Plymouth, of unlawfully wounding, and was thereupon sentenced to penal servitude for the term of three years: And whereas the said Horopapara did, on the 6th instant, escape from the Prison at New Plymouth: This is to notify that a reward of One Hundred Pounds will be paid by the Government of the Colony for such information as shall lead to the apprehension of the said Horopapara.

CHARLES C. BOWEN.

Registrar &c. Court of Appeal appointed.

Department of Justice,
Wellington, 10th January, 1877.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint

ALEXANDER SUTHERLAND ALLAN, Esq.,
of Wellington, to be Registrar, and

FREDERICK DE CARTERET MALET, Esq.,
of Christchurch, and

HENRY CHUDLEIGH WILMER, Esq.,
of Wellington, to be Deputy Registrars, of the Court of Appeal of New Zealand.
CHARLES C. BOWEN.

Authority to Frank.

General Post Office,
Wellington, 10th January, 1877.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to authorize

THE RESIDENT ENGINEER FOR PUBLIC WORKS,
Christchurch, and

THE TRAFFIC MANAGER OF THE CANTERBURY
RAILWAYS,

to frank, free from prepayment of postage, letters and packets posted on the public service.

H. A. ATKINSON,
(for the Postmaster-General).

Appointment of Volunteer Officer.

Colonial Defence Office,
Wellington, 10th January, 1877.

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

In the West Taieri Rifle Volunteers.

John Iveson to be Captain. Date of commission, 21st November, 1876.

H. A. ATKINSON,
(for the Native Minister).

Resignation of Volunteer Officer.

Colonial Defence Office,
Wellington, 10th January, 1877.

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

Captain A. M. Wix, Nelson City Rifle Volunteers.

H. A. ATKINSON,
(for the Native Minister).

Brought forward—Passengers, &c.	...	...	£	s.	d.
			667	15	1
Goods.					
Freight	...	1,479 ² / ₁₀ tons	...	1,021	11 8
Total	...	...	£1,689	6	9

Not including 7 horses, 1 cart, 100 sheep, and 178,400 ft. timber.

WAITARA TO NEW PLYMOUTH RAILWAY.

RETURN of Traffic for four weeks ended 16th December, 1876.

PASSENGERS.					
		No.	£	s.	d.
Passengers	...	1,183	91	19	6
Parcels, &c.	...	...	2	10	9
Season Tickets	...	1	1	14	0
Goods.					
Freight	...	156 tons	...	...	...
Timber	...	8,660 feet	...	...	...
Sheep	...	20	...	...	...
Pigs	...	38	...	...	...
Grain	...	347 bushels	...	...	...
Total	...	...	£148	4	9

FOXTON TO MANAWATU RAILWAY.

RETURN of Traffic for four weeks ended 16th December, 1876.

PASSENGERS.					
		No.	£	s.	d.
Passengers	...	1,654	221	3	0
Parcels, &c.	...	...	14	11	8
Goods.					
Freight	...	196 tons	...	...	353 13 8
Total	...	...	£589	8	4

WELLINGTON TO MASTERTON RAILWAY.

RETURN of Traffic for four weeks ended 16th December, 1876.

PASSENGERS.					
		No.	£	s.	d.
Passengers	...	8,771	573	16	0
Parcels, &c.	...	...	19	1	8
Season Tickets	...	...	10	8	0
GOODS.					
Freight	...	697 tons 13 cwt.	...	...	...
Horses	...	2	...	...	...
Carriages	...	3	...	...	...
Calves	...	5	...	...	...
Sheep	...	77	...	...	...
Bales of Wool	...	334	...	...	...
Timber	...	96,668 feet	...	...	...
Total	...	...	£837	5	5

NELSON TO FOXHILL RAILWAY.

RETURN of Traffic for four weeks ended 16th December, 1876.

PASSENGERS.					
		No.	£	s.	d.
Passengers	...	2,866	265	17	1
Parcels, &c.	...	...	13	14	5
Season Tickets	...	...	4	4	2
GOODS.					
Freight	...	401 ¹ / ₂ tons	...	...	...
Timber	...	51,587 feet	...	...	162 14 6
Bales of Wool	...	109	...	...	...
Calves	...	2	...	...	...
Total	...	...	£446	10	2

PICTON TO BLENHEIM RAILWAY.

RETURN of Traffic for four weeks ended 16th December, 1876.

PASSENGERS.					
		No.	£	s.	d.
Passengers	...	1,293	131	4	3
Parcels, &c.	...	...	7	16	5
Season Tickets	...	...	1	10	0
Goods.					
Freight	...	239 ² / ₁₀ tons	...	...	...
Timber	...	402,244 feet	...	...	...
Cattle	...	2	...	...	259 7 3
Sheep	...	45	...	...	...
Bales of Wool	...	9	...	...	...
Total	...	...	£399	17	11

BRUNNER TO GREYMOUTH RAILWAY.

RETURN of Traffic for four weeks ended 16th December, 1876.

PASSENGERS.					
		No.	£	s.	d.
Passengers	...	1,774	163	5	5
Parcels, &c.	...	...	5	7	0
Season Tickets	...	2	2	7	6
Goods.					
Freight	...	2,229 ¹ / ₂ tons	...	...	...
Timber	...	48,749 feet	...	...	280 5 4
Goat	...	1	...	...	...
Total	...	...	£451	5	3

WESTPORT TO MOUNT ROCHFORD RAILWAY.

RETURN of Traffic for four weeks ended 16th December, 1876.

PASSENGERS.					
		No.	£	s.	d.
Passengers	...	332	33	10	9
Parcels, &c.	...	...	0	4	0
GOODS.					
Freight	...	23 tons 18 cwt. 1 qr.	...	...	...
Timber	...	4,351 feet	...	...	23 6 3
Total	...	...	£57	1	0

F. B. PASSMORE,
Superintending Engineer.

Reports of Sheep Inspectors for the Wairarapa and East Coast, and Rangitikei-Manawatu Districts.

Greytown, 31st December, 1876.

SIR,—I have the honor to forward the Annual Report for the year ending 31st December, 1876. I very much regret having to report that there are still some infected flocks in the district. I believe the majority of the infected flocks will prove clean when inspected. Owing to the exertions of the neighbouring settlers last year, and their continued supervision, the Native flocks at Longbush and Mungahua remain clean up to date.

I am perfectly satisfied that there is no insurmountable obstacle in the way of scab being cleared out of this district; but I think, before that can be done, greater power will require to be given Inspectors. The expense that many sheepowners are put to, whose flocks may unfortunately have become diseased, is often of no avail through the neglect or mismanagement of their neighbours. Should the flocks about Wainiuru and Hautotara become diseased, the whole of the Wairarapa will suffer. It would be sure to spread on to the Coast, when it would most certainly take years to get clear of it, and cost the

settlers many thousands of pounds. I most respectfully urge that Government should give this matter their serious consideration. A consultation with the most experienced settlers will show that I have not over-estimated the danger.

I have, &c.,

THOMAS TELFORD,

Inspector of Sheep, Wairarapa and East Coast.
H. Bunny, Esq., Wellington.

Name.	Station.	No. of Sheep.	Con- dition.	Assessment.
				£ s. d.
Akers, Wm. ...	Wharepapa ...	1,700	Clean	3 10 10
Avery, Chas. ...	Taratahi ...	290	"	0 12 1
Ankettle, Wm. ...	Upper Plain ...	180	"	0 7 6
Armstrong, A. ...	Carterton ...	200	"	0 8 4
Blatchford, Walt.	Ahiarhui ...	440	"	0 18 4
Bidwill, C. W. ...	Pihatea ...	6,008	"	12 10 4
Boys, Burton ...	Taratahi ...	96	"	0 4 0
Bicknell, Wm. ...	Heifer Station	300	"	0 12 6
Benton, Thos. ...	Heifer Station	80	"	0 3 4
Barton, Richard	White Rock	15,800	"	32 18 4
Blatchford, John	Opaki ...	250	"	0 10 5
Bruce, Alex. ...	Opaki ...	200	"	0 8 4
Buck and Kemble	Ponatahi ...	2,800	"	5 16 8
Bunny, Hy. R. ...	Ahiarhui ...	3,100	Scabby	6 9 2
Bunny, Hy. ...	Taratahi ...	1,124	Clean	2 6 10
Bassett, David ...	Carterton ...	82	"	0 3 5
Bannister, Hy. ...	Masterton ...	3,700	"	7 14 2
Barton, Richard	Fernside ...	3,390	"	7 1 3
Bennett, Wm. ...	Upper Plain ...	127	"	0 5 3½
Burt, Fredk. ...	Tauherinikau	60	"	0 2 6
Buchanan Bros.	Tupurupuru	15,000	"	31 5 0
Barton, Richard	Pirinoa ...	2,728	"	5 13 8
Braithwaite, A. and Hy.	Waihakeki ...	900	"	1 17 6
Bassett, John* ...	Carterton ...	...	...	...
Bamy, Wm. ...	Carterton ...	95	"	0 3 11½
Bairstow, Isaac ...	Taratahi ...	72	"	0 3 0
Cameron Brothers	Pahaua ...	14,102	Scabby	29 7 7
Carkeek, Stephen	Tirohonga ...	480	Clean	1 0 0
Cooper, James ...	Wainuioru ...	1,500	"	3 2 6
Callister, H. ...	Carterton ...	179	"	0 7 5½
Chamberlain, E. E.	Upper Plain ...	140	"	0 5 10
Cotter, Pierce ...	Moroa ...	3,030	"	6 6 3
Chapman, Fredk.	Opaki ...	600	"	1 5 0
Cross, Lot ...	Featherston ...	213	"	0 8 10½
Cockburn, Robt.	Mania ...	1,020	"	2 2 4
Chamberlain, G. E.	Upper Plain ...	96	"	0 4 0
Catt, John ...	Upper Plain ...	170	"	0 7 1
Cundy, Chas. ...	Tauherinikau	200	"	0 8 4
Chamberlain, Thos.	Upper Plain ...	75	"	0 3 1½
Campbell, John ...	Opaki ...	100	"	0 4 2
Campbell, Hugh	Opaki ...	250	"	0 10 5
Compton, Wm. ...	Upper Plain ...	175	"	0 7 3½
Cave, A. W. ...	Te Ori Ori ...	200	"	0 8 4
Cadwallader, Wm.	Waihakeki ...	300	"	0 12 6
Cockburn, Andrew	Mania ...	600	"	1 5 0
Campbell, Robt.	Opaki ...	100	"	0 4 2
Dorset, John ...	Opaki ...	300	"	0 12 6
Donald, Donald ...	Mania ...	600	"	1 5 0
Dakin, Chas. ...	Taratahi ...	2,700	"	5 12 6
Day, Wm. ...	Opaki ...	600	"	1 5 0
Dagg, Robert ...	Upper Plain ...	300	"	0 12 6
Dalgitty, D. ...	Taratahi ...	240	"	0 10 0
Drummond, John	Masterton ...	120	"	0 5 0
Donald, Jas. ...	Featherston ...	167	"	0 6 11½
Douglas, Geo. ...	Wharekaka ...	3,000	"	6 5 0
Donovan, S. W.	Opaki ...	20	"	0 0 10
Dunn, Edward ...	Dock Creek ...	180	"	0 7 6
Dunn, John ...	Moroa ...	39	"	0 1 7½
Donald, Rhodes ...	Mania ...	600	"	1 5 0
Douglas, Andrew	Ngarhui ...	1,170	"	2 8 9
Donald, J. and D.	Aukarui ...	30	"	0 1 3
Evans, Luke ...	Masterton ...	72	"	0 3 0
Eglinton, Hy. ...	Wharekahau	250	"	0 10 5
Fairbrother, Robt.	Carterton ...	300	"	0 12 6
Fenwick, C. R. ...	Heifer Station	400	"	0 16 8
Francis, Walter ...	Taratahi ...	1,184	"	2 9 4
Goodwin, Collin	Taratahi ...	200	"	0 8 4
Grant, Robt. ...	Tu Puru Puru	1,000	Scabby	2 1 8
Gorringe, Orlando	Upper Plain ...	174	Clean	0 7 3
Grace, N. & Wm.	Wera-a-te-wera	500	"	1 0 10
Gillies, Hugh ...	Tu Tu ...	286	"	0 11 11
Hare, Robert ...	Upper Plain	95	"	0 3 11½

* No return.

Name.	Station.	No. of Sheep.	Con- dition.	Assessment.
				£ s. d.
Hollard, C. ...	Tauherinikau	640	Clean	1 6 8
Hodder, Walter	Featherston ...	550	"	1 2 11
Hanlon, Mrs. ...	Wharekaka	60	"	0 2 6
Hume, Peter ...	Tananui ...	6,000	"	12 10 0
Harris Brothers	Hautotara ...	2,500	"	5 4 2
Humphries, Mrs.	Greytown ...	70	"	0 2 11
Harvey, James ...	Opaki ...	450	"	0 18 9
Hill, T. H. ...	Masterton ...	50	"	0 2 1
Harrison, Wm. ...	Huriniuirangi	600	"	1 5 0
Hodder, J.* ...	Featherston ...	...	...	...
Hercock, C. W. ...	Carterton ...	46	"	0 1 11
Hannah, Jas. ...	Taratahi ...	100	"	0 4 2
Harding, John ...	Opaki ...	140	"	0 5 10
Hart, Wm.* ...	Carterton ...	...	...	...
Iorns, Wm. ...	Masterton ...	150	"	0 6 3
Jackson, Hy. ...	Stonestead ...	2,000	"	4 3 4
Jackson, H. & M.	Flaxbourne ...	750	"	1 11 3
Jury, Chas. ...	Glendower ...	1,050	"	2 3 9
Jones, W. H. T.	Moroa ...	90	"	0 3 9
Johnston, Alexr.	Cumloden ...	410	"	0 17 1
Kempton, Thos.	Moroa ...	2,500	"	5 4 2
Kempton, Thos.	Taratahi ...	1,824	"	2 15 2
Kebblewhite, R.	Upper Plain	600	"	1 5 0
Knight, Daniel ...	Tauherinikau	500	"	1 10 0
Kaye, Lister G. H.	Taratahi ...	350	"	0 14 7
Lang, John M. ...	Opaki ...	300	"	0 12 6
Lucena, W. S. ...	Pigeon Bush	2,991	"	6 4 7½
Mitchell & Hirsch- berg	Morrison's Run	4,500	Scabby	9 7 6
Morrison, Dan ...	Glenmorren ...	1,700	Clean	3 10 10
Martin, John ...	Otarua ...	7,400	"	15 8 4
Mathews, Jacob	Opaki ...	750	"	1 11 3
Maunsell, E. ...	Waihakieki ...	420	"	0 17 6
Mathews, Alfred	Wairongimai	6,400	"	13 6 8
Mahapuka, Wi ...	Longbush ...	3,000	"	6 5 0
Moon, Thos. ...	Carterton ...	170	"	0 7 1
Meenkin, F. ...	Taratahi ...	100	"	0 4 2
Mutrie, Alexr. ...	Mania ...	40	"	0 1 8
McLachlan, Dan	Springbank ...	800	"	1 13 4
McLeod, Angus	Opaki ...	130	"	0 5 5
McLeod, Wm. ...	Whakaponi ...	1,500	"	3 2 6
McKenzie, A. & A.	Taratahi ...	400	"	0 16 8
McKenzie, Mrs.	Masterton ...	130	"	0 5 5
McMaster, Dan	Tuhitirati ...	4,000	"	8 6 8
McLachlan, Dan	Tirohonga ...	600	"	1 5 0
McKenzie, A. ...	Masterton ...	140	"	0 5 10
McMaster, Jas. ...	Wharekaka ...	320	"	0 13 4
McKenzie, R. & M.	Masterton ...	105	"	0 4 4½
McPhee, Donald	Opaki ...	150	"	0 6 3
McMaster, Hugh	Gladstone ...	81	"	0 3 4½
McLachlan, John	Opaki ...	350	"	0 14 7
McKenzie, Dan ...	Tapry ...	540	"	1 2 6
McKaye, Geo. ...	Te Ori Ori ...	300	"	0 12 6
McLaren, Wm. ...	Wainuioru ...	2,500	"	5 4 2
McKenzie, Alexr.	Lower Mania	170	"	0 7 1
McLean, Duncan	Opaki ...	370	"	0 15 5
Nicol, Wm. ...	Featherston ...	3,000	"	6 5 0
Nicol, John ...	Taratahi ...	640	"	1 6 8
Nix, Lewis ...	Taratahi ...	700	"	1 9 2
Nicholson, Dan ...	Taratahi ...	100	"	0 4 2
Nopera, Teki ...	Mungahua ...	2,000	"	4 3 4
Oats, Saml. ...	Taratahi ...	300	"	0 12 6
Oldish, C. H. ...	Materau ...	70	"	0 2 11
Osborne, Thos. ...	Upper Plain ...	270	"	0 11 3
Pharazyn, E. & C.	Kawa Kawa ...	14,600	"	30 8 4
Prentice, Steph.	Masterton ...	40	"	0 1 8
Philip, Wm. ...	Under Hill Road	100	"	0 4 2
Perry, B. P. ...	Taratahi ...	2,778	"	5 15 9
Pharazyn, Chas.	Longwood ...	2,120	"	4 8 4
Reid, Mrs. ...	Taratahi ...	300	"	0 12 6
Russell, John ...	Wangamoana	9,000	"	18 15 0
Rossiter, Wm. ...	Taratahi ...	173	"	0 7 2½
Rockell, J. G. ...	Matahiwi ...	4,000	"	8 6 8
Rayner, John ...	Taratahi ...	220	"	0 9 2
Ray, Thos. ...	Taratahi ...	250	"	0 10 5
Reynolds, John ...	Taratahi ...	800	"	1 13 4
Renall, Alfred ...	Masterton ...	...	...	...
Rowe, Robt. ...	Huriniuirangi	...	...	...
Riddiford and Son	Te Awaite ...	18,500	"	38 10 10
Robinson, Jas. ...	Motuhaki ...	200	"	0 8 4
Ridgway, Jas. ...	Carterton ...	60	"	0 2 6
Remington, Hy.	Upper Plain ...	80	"	0 3 4
Strawbridge, Eli	Waihakieki ...	350	"	0 14 7

* No return.

Name.	Station.	No. of Sheep.	Condi- tion.	Assessment.
				£ s. d.
Sutherland, Alex.	Pahaua ...	5,868	Scab	12 4 3½
Strang, Jas.	Glenside ...	2,584	Clean	5 7 8
Smith, Wm.	Waihenga ...	1,050	"	2 3 9
Stewart, D.	Opaki ...	100	"	0 4 2
Smith, J. V.	Opaki ...	2,280	"	4 15 0
Spearink, Wm.	Tauherinikau ...	300	"	0 12 6
Stoodly, Jas.	Tupurupuru...	170	"	0 7 1
Smith, Jas.	Wainuioru ...	1,500	"	3 2 6
Sinclair, Donald	Burnside ...	900	"	1 17 6
Skey, Wm.	Taratahi ...	1,200	"	2 10 0
Smith, Jas.	Taratahi ...	40	"	0 1 8
Stoodly, John	Taratahi ...	300	"	0 12 6
Smith, Stephen	Wharekaka ...	488	"	1 0 4
Sullivan, John	Carterton ...	60	"	0 2 6
Smith, Donald	Opaki ...	160	"	0 6 8
Smith, John	Taratahi ...	220	"	0 9 2
Sage, Chas.	Taratahi ...	70	"	0 2 11
Strawbridge, John	Taratahi ...	80	"	0 3 4
Tankersley, T. W.	Upper Plain...	100	"	0 4 2
Tocker, John	Tauherinikau ...	56	"	0 2 4
Tocker, E. E.	Tauherinikau ...	400	"	0 16 8
Tully, John	Claremount ...	3,400	"	7 1 8
Tulloch, Lawrence	Hautotara ...	7,500	"	15 12 6
Udy, John	Carterton ...	360	"	0 15 0
Udy, Hart, jun...	Mataraua ...	478	"	0 19 11
Udy, Wm.	Mataraua ...	650	"	1 7 1
Vennell, Saml.	Tauherinikau ...	1,800	"	3 15 0
Vile, John	Tupurupuru...	400	"	0 16 8
Vicarstaffe, Wm.	Carterton ...	60	"	0 2 6
Varnham, W. A.	Papouai ...	400	"	0 16 8
Welch, Wm. & Hy.	Opaki ...	5,000	"	10 8 4
Whakamauru, Isa	Mania ...	220	"	0 9 2
Waterhouse, G. M.	*Huangarua ...	25,000	"	52 1 8
Welch, I. and R.	Opaki ...	750	"	1 11 3
Wilton, Chas.	Taratahi ...	500	"	1 0 10
Wilton, Wm.	Taratahi ...	350	"	0 14 7
Williams, W. O.	Heifer Station	420	"	0 17 6
Wardell, H. S.	Te Witi ...	1,150	"	2 7 11
Wardell, H. S.	Featherston ...	560	"	1 3 4
Wilkinson, Jas.	Lakemeadows ...	2,234	"	4 13 1
Woodrooffe, Geo.	Masterton ...	92	"	0 3 10
Wall, Anty.†	Huangarua ...	3,600	"	7 10 0
Walker, Wm.	Carterton ...	250	"	0 10 5
Wakelin, E. L.	Carterton ...	140	"	0 5 10
Wrattan, Wm.	Hautotara ...	800	"	1 13 4
White, S. M.	Taratahi ...	134	"	0 5 7
Wilkie, John	Greytown ...	90	"	0 3 9
Ward, John	Masterton ...	80	"	0 3 4
Welch, Robt.	Mataraua ...	200	"	0 8 4
Walden, Thos.	Taratahi ...	230	"	0 9 7
Wood, Wm.	Moroa ...	84	"	0 3 6
Yule, Alex.	Taratahi ...	300	"	0 12 6
Yule, Robt.	Featherston ...	230	"	0 9 7
Yates, Mrs.	Masterton ...	102	"	0 4 3
Total	...	294,202		£ 612 18 5

* The clean certificates for three flocks on this station are cancelled.

† Clean certificate for ewe flock cancelled.

Rangitikei, 31st December, 1876.

SIR,—I have the honor, in forwarding my Returns of Sheep for the Rangitikei and West Coast District, to report an increase of 18,647 upon last year's returns, making a difference in the amount of assessment of £38 17s. 11½d. in favour of the present returns. It will be seen at the same time that scab has not been entirely eradicated from the district; I am glad, however, to say there is only one flock actually scabby, as compared with three in my last Report for 1875.

I drew attention in my last Report to the rapid increase the sheep-louse was making throughout the district. I am of opinion that the only remedy for this would be to have all flocks dipped once every year. I feel sure that every flockowner who has done this will bear me out that their flocks have been benefited to more than the cost of dipping by so doing.

There is a marked improvement in the breeding

clearly noticed throughout the district; the clip of wool has been unusually good this season; and in most cases the percentage of lambs has far exceeded that of former years.

I have, &c.,

ROBERT K. SIMPSON,
Inspector of Sheep.

District.	Name of Owner.	No. of Sheep.	Con. dition.	Assessment.	
				£ s. d.	
Turakina	Bruce, James	1,967	Clean	4 1 11½	
	Bowen Brothers	1,200	"	2 10 0	
	Baldwin, John	350	"	0 14 7	
	"	Beard, James	760	"	1 11 8
	"	Cameron, A.	680	"	1 8 4
	"	Cameron, C.	4,000	"	8 6 8
	"	Coutt and Burnett	500	"	1 0 10
	"	Cameron & Simpson	5,202	"	10 16 9
	"	Cameron, John	960	"	2 0 0
	"	Cameron, D.	170	"	0 7 1
	"	Clark, P.	166	"	0 6 11
	"	Dunbar Brothers	600	"	1 5 0
	"	Fairfield, W.	400	"	0 16 8
	"	Fruth, C. J.	250	"	0 10 5
	"	Grant Brothers	800	"	1 13 4
	"	Glasgow, A.	750	"	1 11 3
	"	Gower, W.	1,100	"	2 5 10
	"	Gower, A.	100	"	0 4 2
	"	Knox, R. J.	300	"	0 12 6
	"	*Lethbridge, G. Y.	6,600	Scab	13 15 0
	"	Lowrie, James	300	Clean	0 12 6
	"	Lowrie, D.	300	"	0 12 6
	"	Lowrie, J. S.	312	"	0 13 0
	"	Macgregor, James	900	"	1 17 6
	"	McIvor, F.	1,505	"	3 2 8½
	"	Macalley, R.	220	"	0 9 2
	"	Macdonell, A.	420	"	0 17 6
	"	†Owen & Lethbridge	5,500	"	11 9 2
	"	Perry, George	24	"	0 1 0
	"	Rhodes, W. B.	11,616	"	24 4 0
	"	Richards, Fred.	7,000	"	14 11 8
	"	Simpson, A.	1,600	"	3 2 6
"	Wilkins, M.	212	"	0 8 10	
"	Amiria and Patrick	260	"	0 10 10	
"	Hoani Waitere	204	"	0 8 6	
"	Reupena Kiwitone	170	"	0 7 1	
"	Tepine, Waitere	200	"	0 8 4	
"	Eramiha	305	"	0 12 8½	
"	Pahi Tehuna	150	"	0 6 3	
	Total	57,953		£ 120 14 8½	
Rangitikei	Allman, W.	740	Clean	1 10 10	
	Anson, A.	700	"	1 9 2	
	Audry, T.	516	"	1 1 6	
	Aiken, A.	700	"	1 9 2	
	Allsop, C.	84	"	0 3 6	
	Anson, G. E.	680	"	1 8 4	
	Bergman, S.	650	"	1 7 1	
	Beard, James	200	"	0 8 4	
	Bryce, T.	1,000	"	2 1 8	
	Bushby, A.	240	"	0 10 0	
	Brookie, W.	95	"	0 8 11½	
	Bartlett, S.	400	"	0 16 8	
	Burne, John	350	"	0 14 7	
	Cash, T. R.	1,033	"	2 3 0½	
	Coleman, M.	230	"	0 9 7	
	Cockburn, A.	500	"	1 0 10	
Cockburn, James	96	"	0 4 0		
Coombe, Jas.	680	"	1 8 4		
Crawford, Jno.	480	"	1 0 0		
Crawford, W. H.	624	"	1 6 0		
Curl, S. M.	1,496	"	3 2 4		
Crocker, C.	1,400	"	2 13 4		
Cawood, S.	350	"	0 14 7		
Death, Geo.	980	"	2 0 10		

* A large proportion of Mr. Lethbridge's sheep are clean, although scab still exists in a separate flock, for which the owner hopes shortly to obtain a clean certificate.

† Since making up my returns, I regret having had to cancel the clean certificate for a separate flock of 2,000 sheep belonging to Messrs. Owen and Lethbridge, in consequence of a scabby lamb from the flock of Mr. Lethbridge having mixed. No actual scab has appeared. Mr. Owen, however, lost no time in having the flock dipped, with a view to prevent an outbreak of the disease in the same.

District.	Name of Owner.	No. of Sheep.	Condi- tion.	Assessment.	District.	Name of Owner.	No. of Sheep.	Condi- tion.	Assessment.
Rangitikei	Death, H.	850	Clean	£ s. d. 1 15 5	Rangitikei	Toms, C.	204	Clean	0 8 6
"	Doughty, Jno.	105	"	0 4 4½	"	Toms, John	300	"	0 12 6
"	Eason, Bros.	1,500	"	8 2 6	"	Utiku Marumaru	900	"	1 17 6
"	Emmaus, H.	80	"	0 3 4	"	Willis, W. J.	2,200	"	4 11 8
"	Fox, W.	2,100	"	4 7 6	"	Whale, W.	1,400	"	2 18 4
"	Fraser, D.	3,000	"	6 5 0	"	Williamson, F.	1,190	"	2 9 7
"	Ferguson, D.	286	"	0 11 11	"	Wheeler, G. W.	550	"	1 2 11
"	Frederick, A.	800	"	1 13 4	"	Weston, S.	300	"	0 12 6
"	Follet, Jas.	48	"	0 2 0	"	Winks, A.	1,150	"	2 7 11
"	Follet, Mrs. J.	156	"	0 6 6	"	Whale, H. and G.	240	"	0 10 0
"	Fleetwood, T. M.	430	"	0 17 11	"	Wing, T.	230	"	0 9 7
"	Findlay, A.	240	"	0 10 0	"	Woolston, John	80	"	0 3 4
"	Fitzherbert, A. R.	475	"	0 19 9½	"	Ward, T.	100	"	0 4 2
"	Gordon and Son	240	"	0 10 0	"	Whale, R.	48	"	0 2 0
"	Galpin, C. and W.	1,175	"	2 8 11½	"	Watt, W. G.	60	"	0 2 6
"	Galpin, A.	450	"	0 18 9	"	Walker, E.	30	"	0 1 3
"	Goyle, H.	800	"	1 13 4		Total	80,080	£	166 16 8
"	Glasgow, Jno.	750	"	1 11 3					
"	Gower, Geo.	200	"	0 8 4	Manawatu	Anderson, F.	600	Clean	1 5 0
"	Gooble, G.	600	"	1 5 0	"	Bull, James	3,080	"	6 8 4
"	Griffin, Jno.	65	"	0 2 8½	"	Burne, R.	340	"	0 14 2
"	Harper, Jas.	150	"	0 6 3	"	Baker, W.	600	"	1 5 0
"	Hammond, R.	3,000	"	6 5 0	"	Bayley, Brothers	65	"	0 2 8½
"	Hammond, M.	2,950	"	6 2 11	"	Bishop, W.	200	"	0 8 4
"	Hair, W.	500	"	1 0 10	"	Brightwell, E. and W.	310	"	0 12 11
"	Halcombe, A. F.	200	"	0 8 4	"	Crosbie and Co.	920	"	1 18 4
"	Henderson, Bros.	350	"	0 14 7	"	Cummings, W.	700	"	1 9 2
"	Howie, W.	125	"	0 5 2½	"	Campion, Mrs.	130	"	0 5 5
"	Hanneke, H. S.	48	"	0 2 0	"	Creighton, W.	170	"	0 7 1
"	Hempseed, Jno.	200	"	0 8 4	"	Carter, J.	50	"	0 2 1
"	Ingle, Mrs.	1,600	"	3 6 8	"	Drummond, R.	65	"	0 2 8½
"	Ingram, A.	96	"	0 4 0	"	Duncan, Rev. J.	150	"	0 6 3
"	Johnston, Jno.	2,900	"	6 0 10	"	Davis, W.	450	"	0 18 9
"	Johnston, Jas.	816	"	1 14 0	"	Dalrymple, J. T.	347	"	0 15 5½
"	Jacob, E. L.	200	"	0 8 4	"	Douglas and Co.	8,500	"	17 14 2
"	Jefferson, Bros.	400	"	0 16 8	"	Dundass, A.	2,000	"	4 3 4
"	Klaass, Jno.	150	"	0 6 3	"	Davis, J. R.	350	"	0 14 7
"	Kendrick, Jas.	300	"	0 12 6	"	Eglinton, B.	250	"	0 10 5
"	Kilgour, Jas.	106	"	0 4 5	"	Ellerm, W.	150	"	0 6 3
"	Lattorf, T. H. O.	240	"	0 10 0	"	Fraser, H.	1,000	"	2 1 8
"	Milner, Geo.	282	"	0 11 9	"	Farmer, A.	24	"	0 1 0
"	Myers, Fred.	60	"	0 2 6	"	Gower, W. J.	3,444	"	7 3 6
"	Meyers, C.	420	"	0 17 6	"	Grace, C.	94	"	0 3 11
"	Milne, Jas.	128	"	0 5 4	"	Gifford, W.	96	"	0 4 0
"	Morrison, D.	1,020	"	2 2 6	"	Grammer, F.	187	"	0 7 9½
"	Marshall, J. W.	2,620	"	5 9 2	"	Grammer, A.	16	"	0 0 8
"	Milne, A.	1,085	"	2 5 2½	"	Hedges, Geo.	300	"	0 12 6
"	Maunder, G.	900	"	1 17 6	"	Hadfield, J.	700	"	1 9 2
"	McLean, D.	240	"	0 10 0	"	Halcombe, A. F.	1,700	"	3 10 10
"	McDougal, W.	340	"	0 14 2	"	Harris, T.	650	"	1 7 1
"	McKenzie, T.	1,500	"	3 2 6	"	Hammond, H.	2,800	"	5 16 8
"	McKelvie, Jno.	3,103	"	6 9 3½	"	Heaton, J. A.	700	"	1 9 2
"	McBeth, Jno.	1,300	"	2 14 2	"	Kennedy, Jas.	100	"	0 4 2
"	McBeth, A.	750	"	1 11 3	"	Tees, Jno.	900	"	1 17 6
"	Morris, C. P.	200	"	0 8 4	"	McEwen, G.	440	"	0 18 4
"	Meads, Z.	800	"	1 13 4	"	McEwen, D.	115	"	0 4 9½
"	Macdounel, Mrs.	120	"	0 5 0	"	Marshall & Brennan	380	"	0 15 10
"	McBeth, J. and R.	150	"	0 6 3	"	McKenzie, R.	600	"	1 5 0
"	Meads, J.	800	"	1 13 4	"	McEwen, H.	140	"	0 5 10
"	McHardie, John	318	"	0 13 3	"	McKenzie, D.	250	"	0 10 5
"	Midford, John	96	"	0 4 0	"	Monrad, D.	380	"	0 15 10
"	Moore, H. A.	176	"	0 7 4	"	McKenzie, K.	28	"	0 1 2
"	Newman, John	150	"	0 6 3	"	McKenzie, T. and D.	200	"	0 8 4
"	Nitchke, G.	260	"	0 10 10	"	McKenzie, C.	78	"	0 3 3
"	Newman, T.	276	"	0 11 6	"	Murray, W.	24	"	0 1 0
"	Nesbitt, John	150	"	0 6 3	"	Nye, G.	85	"	0 3 6½
"	Paulin, James	350	"	0 14 7	"	Phillips, G.	360	"	0 15 0
"	Poppe, A.	100	"	0 4 2	"	Milner, S.	150	"	0 6 3
"	Poppe, F.	400	"	0 16 8	"	Penny, W.	500	"	1 0 10
"	Peacock, D.	1,050	"	2 3 9	"	Penny, S.	400	"	0 16 8
"	Richards, L. C.	1,900	"	3 19 2	"	Prisk, J.	167	"	0 6 11½
"	Read, E.	100	"	0 4 2	"	Robinson, F.	9,500	"	19 15 10
"	Ross, A.	320	"	0 13 4	"	Rout, G.	130	"	0 5 5
"	Signal Brothers	350	"	0 14 7	"	Roe, J.	200	"	0 8 4
"	Scott, D.	525	"	1 1 10½	"	Rockel, H.	430	"	0 17 11
"	Slight, James	120	"	0 5 0	"	Randolph and Walker	140	"	0 5 10
"	Snelgrove, E.	48	"	0 2 0	"	Simpson, W. & R. K.	1,000	"	2 1 8
"	Simpson, R. K.	850	"	1 15 5	"	Stace, Bros.	250	"	0 10 5
"	Stevens, D.	56	"	0 2 4	"	Swainson, W. J.	1,500	"	3 2 6
"	Small, F.	204	"	0 8 6	"	Smith, J. A.	44	"	0 1 10
"	Small, N.	96	"	0 4 0	"	Simmonds, H.	200	"	0 8 4
"	Spry, T.	370	"	0 15 5	"	Sanson and Acourt	400	"	0 16 8
"	Stantial, C.	110	"	0 4 7	"	Tow, John	470	"	0 19 7
"	Roper, T. C.	36	"	0 1 6	"	Thynne, E. S.	164	"	0 6 10
"	Riggs, A. C.	72	"	0 3 0	"	Whisker and Hughey	800	"	1 13 4
"	Taylor, W. W.	3,892	"	8 2 2	"				

District.	Name of Owner.	No. of Sheep.	Condi- tion.	Assessment.
Manawatu	Wheeler, Geo. ...	600	Clean	£ s. d. 1 5 0
"	Woods, G. ...	85	"	0 3 6½
"	Wilson, J. G. ...	8,226	"	17 2 9
"	Hoeta ...	800	"	1 13 4
"	Ratana Ngahina ...	1,100	"	2 5 10
"	Kore te One ...	150	"	0 6 3
"	Arama Karaka ...	60	"	0 2 6
"	Piti Hiri ...	60	"	0 2 6
"	Eruera ...	77	"	0 3 2½
"	Roeri ...	30	"	0 1 3
"	Apraima ...	39	"	0 1 7½
"	Pekahama ...	100	"	0 4 2
"	Tapa te Whata ...	120	"	0 5 0
"	Takana te Kaua ...	350	"	0 14 7
"	Matiu te Wheora ...	200	"	0 8 4
	Total ...	63,660		£ 132 12 6

TOTAL RETURNS.

District.	No. of Sheep.	Assessment.
Turakina ...	57,953	£ s. d. 120 14 8½
Rangitikei ...	80,080	166 16 8
Manawatu ...	63,660	132 12 6
Total ...	201,693	£420 3 10½

Notification of Vacancy of Seat in the House of Representatives for the Electoral District of Napier.

IN compliance with the provisions of the thirteenth section of "The Regulation of Elections Act, 1870," I hereby notify that the Hon. Sir Donald McLean, K.C.M.G., a Member of the House of Representatives for the Electoral District of Napier, died on the 5th day of January, 1877, and that the seat in the House of Representatives for the said Electoral District is vacant by reason of such death.

WILLIAM FITZHERBERT,
Speaker.

Dated at Wellington, the 11th day of January, 1877.

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 within one calendar month after the gazetting of this notice.

HENRY HORATIO PORT, Applicant.—Section 9, Block I., Riverton. No. 980.

The Reverend WILLIAM PONTIN TANNER, Applicant.—Section 3, Block XXII., Invercargill. No. 981.

JAMES GALT and ALLAN GALT, Applicants.—Sections 9, 11 to 15 inclusive, 57 to 61 inclusive, and 66 and 67, Block IV., Tuturau District. No. 983.

JAMES YOUNG and GEORGE YOUNG, Applicants. Sections 38 and 39, Block XVI., Invercargill Hundred. No. 985.

JAMES YOUNG and GEORGE YOUNG, Applicants.—Section 40, Block XIV., Invercargill Hundred. No. 986.

Diagrams may be inspected at this office.

Dated this fifth day of January, 1877, at the Lands Registry Office, Invercargill.

W. STUART,
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 on or before the 19th day of February, 1877.

2873. EDWARD FREEMAN.—16 perches, part of Lot 37, Town Reserves, City of Christchurch. In the occupation of C. E. Paget.

2913. THOMAS HILLIER GREEN.—Rural Sections 772, 1487, 1593, Christchurch District. In the occupation of Applicant.

2915. ALFRED MOLE.—27 perches, part of Lot 73, Town Reserves, City of Christchurch. In the occupation of Applicant.

2917. ISAAC PENTECOST.—14 perches, part of Lot 122, Town Reserves, City of Christchurch. In the occupation of — Trigeaux.

2918. WILLIAM DONALD.—Sections 58, 59, 60, Town of Lyttelton. In the occupation of Applicant.

2920. WILLIAM HENRY WYNN WILLIAMS.—20 perches, part of Lot No. 16, Town Reserve, City of Christchurch. Unoccupied.

Diagrams may be inspected at this office.

Dated this 5th day of January, 1877, at the Lands Registry Office, Christchurch.

EDWARD DENHAM,
District Land Registrar.

LAND TRANSFER ACT NOTICE.

HENRY SAWTELL, of the City of Christchurch, New Zealand, Merchant, and ROBERT SUTHERLAND, of the same place, Grocer, having made application as Devises under the Will of WILLIAM LAURENCE, of the Selwyn, Canterbury, New Zealand, Hotelkeeper, Deceased, to be registered as Proprietors of all that parcel of land containing 1 rood, part of Rural Section 7792, being the land included in Certificate of Title, Volume II., folio 129. Also of 1 acre, part of Rural Section 4583, being the land included in Certificate of Title, Volume XV., folio 92. Also of 2 roods 4 perches, part of Rural Section 7792, being the land included in Certificate of Title, Volume II., folio 224. Also 2 roods 26 perches, part of Rural Section 7792, being the land included in Certificate of Title, Volume V., folio 42 (subject as to the said four pieces of land to a lease). Also of 1 rood, part of Christchurch Town Reserve No. 54, being the land included in Certificate of Title, Volume I., folio 185 (subject as to the last-mentioned piece of land to a mortgage). Also of 500 acres, being Rural Sections, Nos. 15399, 15400, being the land included in Certificate of Title, Volume IV., folio 166 (subject as to the last-mentioned piece of land to a lease). Also of 29 acres 2 roods 18 perches, parts of Rural Sections Nos. 4383, 5556, and 7107, being the land included in Certificate of Title, Volume XXII., folio 177.

Notice is hereby given, that the Applicants will be registered accordingly, unless caveat be lodged forbidding the same on or before the 19th day of February, 1877.

Dated at the Lands Registry Office, Christchurch, this 5th day of January, 1877.

EDWARD DENHAM,
Deputy District Land Registrar.

PARTICULARS of the Estates of Deceased Persons which have been placed under the charge of the PUBLIC TRUSTEE during the Month of December, 1876.

No.	Name of Deceased.	Colonial Residence.	Supposed British or Foreign Residence.	Date of Rule or Order.	Value or Estimated Value of Personal Estate.	Time of Deceased's Death.	Remarks.
1	Diethelm, Adolphus Hy.	Auckland	...	December 8, 1876	Under £500	Aug. 21, 1876	
2	Kane, Patrick ...	Okarito	...	" 9, 1876	Under £100	July 10, 1876	
3	McDonald, Ronald	Reefton	...	" 8, 1876	Under £100	Oct. 1, 1876	
4	Chapman, Wm. Vincent	Auckland	...	" 9, 1876	Under £200	Sept. 26, 1876	
5	Curry, Thos. ...	Napier	...	None required	Under £50	Sept. 10, 1876	
6	Jenkins, Henry ...	Heathcote	...	"	Under £10	Nov. 30, 1876	
7	Perry, Alfred ...	Clyde	...	"	Under £50	June 10, 1876	
8	Murley, James ...	Onehunga	London	"	Under £1	Dec. 11, 1876	
9	Rae, John ...	Lawrence	...	"	Under £20	Nov. 8, 1876	
10	Marsh, John ...	Dunedin	...	"	Under £1	Feb. 14, 1876	
11	Farrow, Saml. ...	"	...	"	Ditto	Mar. 17, 1876	
12	Hill, John ...	"	...	"	Ditto	July 12, 1876	
13	Duncan, Peter ...	"	...	"	Under £5	Nov. 13, 1876	
14	Sharp, Wm. ...	"	...	"	Under £10	Oct. 27, 1876	
15	McLean, Lachlan...	"	...	"	Under £5	Oct. 18, 1876	
16	Line, Chas. ...	"	...	"	Under £1	Aug. 11, 1876	

Dated the 9th day of January, 1877.

J. WOODWARD, Public Trustee.

RETURN of LANDS SOLD and DEPOSITS RECEIVED in the Provincial District of Wellington, from the 1st to the 31st December, 1876.

District.	Purchaser or Applicant.	Land Selected or Applied for.	Contents.	Payment.		Remarks.
				Cash.	Scrip.	
			A. R. P.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	
Wellington	J. M. Stuart and J. G. Kinross	Remainder of Section 112, Ohariu ...	72 0 0	36 0 0	...	
	Robert Bould ...	" " 107 " ...	17 0 0	8 10 0	...	
	B. Serrell and S. Brooks	" " 103 " ...	19 0 0	9 10 0	...	
	Edward Carter ...	" " 31, Tukapu ...	11 0 0	5 10 0	...	
	T. F. Wilson ...	" " 34 " ...	16 0 0	8 0 0	...	
Porewa ...	Alex. McGregor ...	Rural Section No. 86, Parae Karetu Block	224 1 0	224 5 0	...	
Rangitikei	T. and A. Fraser ...	Balance on former purchase ...	15 0 0	7 13 0	...	
	C. Campion ...	" " " ...	4 0 0	2 0 0	...	
Manawatu	Fredk. Back ...	Parts of Sections 8 and 9, Karere Block	138 1 30	139 0 0	...	
	F. Back and R. O'Connor	Part of Section 10, Karere Block ...	75 3 6	76 0 0	...	
	F. Larkworthy ...	Township of Foxton ...	...	700 0 0	...	Special Settlement.
	Samuel Milson ...	Rural Section 532, Palmerston ...	...	34 13 0	...	Deferred payments.
	J. H. Gibbs ...	" " 220, 221, Carnarvon ...	...	76 10 0	...	" "
	J. G. Rush ...	" " 430, Palmerston ...	...	20 0 0	...	" "
	W. W. Johnston ...	" " 225, Carnarvon ...	...	67 18 0	...	" "
	W. H. Levin ...	" " 226 " ...	...	74 10 0	...	" "
	H. Hammond ...	" " 227 " ...	...	78 6 0	...	" "
	R. W. Bishop ...	" " 48, Sandon ...	...	54 12 0	...	" "
	D. Stevenson ...	" " 427, Palmerston ...	...	13 18 9	...	" "
	Caleb Whitehead ...	" " 536 " ...	...	30 0 0	...	" "
	T. U. McKenzie, sen.	" " 293, Carnarvon ...	...	28 5 0	...	" "
	T. U. McKenzie, jun.	" " 284 " ...	...	26 8 0	...	" "
	Alex. McKenzie ...	" " 281 " ...	...	37 6 0	...	" "
	Dan. McKenzie ...	" " 283 " ...	...	23 5 0	...	" "
	David Speedy ...	" " 46, Sandon ...	...	41 8 0	...	" "
	J. H. Speedy ...	" " 45 " ...	...	67 0 0	...	" "
	Maurice Hale ...	" " 294, Carnarvon ...	...	23 4 10	...	" "
	Richard Port ...	" " 217 " ...	...	64 14 0	...	" "
	Wm. Davis ...	" " 223 " ...	...	76 10 0	...	" "
East Coast	Edward Meredith...	Pastoral Section 700, Whareama Block	201 0 0	75 7 6	...	" "
Totals ...			793 1 36	2,130 1 1	...	

Crown Lands Office,
Wellington, 5th January, 1877.

Jos. G. HOLDSWORTH,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

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, within one calendar month after the gazetting of this notice.

WILLIAM RUSSELL, Applicant.—Section 6, Block XV., Invercargill Hundred. No. 938.

FREDERICK TOWNSHEND, Applicant.—Sections 3 and 20, Block XI., Invercargill. No. 945.

JANE MURDOCH, Applicant.—Sections 7 and 8, Block VI., Town of Gladstone. No. 975.

ARTHUR CHILLAS HENDERSON, Applicant.—Southern half of Allotment 11, Prestonville Estate, No. 978.

Diagrams may be inspected at this office.

Dated this 24th day of November, 1876, at the Lands Registry Office, Invercargill.

22 W. M. RUSSELL,
District Land Registrar.

LAND TRANSFER ACT NOTICE.

NOTICE is hereby given, that DONALD McLEAN, MALCOLM TOLMIE, JAMES RATTRAY, EDWARD BOWES CARGILL, and HENRY JAMES GIBBS, claiming as Devisees under the Will of WILLIAM ALEXANDER TOLMIE, late of Dunedin, New Zealand, Sheepfarmer, Deceased, have applied to be registered as Proprietors of Deceased's interest in Sections 6, and 16A, Block VIII., and 2, 3, and 4, Block X., Waikaka District, and Sections 20, Block IX., and 7, Block X., Tuturau District; and they will be so registered, unless Caveat forbidding the same, be lodged within one calendar month after the publication of this Notice.

Dated this fifth day of January, 1877, at the Lands Registry Office, Invercargill.

24 W. STUART,
Deputy District Land Registrar.

LAND TRANSFER ACT NOTICE.

NOTICE is hereby given, that FREDRIKE OTT, of Waikiwi, near Invercargill, Widow, claiming as Devisee under the Will of her late Husband, JACOB OTT, late of Waikiwi aforesaid, Hotelkeeper, deceased, has applied to be registered as Proprietress of deceased's interest in Sections 36, 1 and part of 2 of 38; 1, 2, and part of 3 of 37, Block IX., Invercargill Hundred; and that she will be so registered unless caveat forbidding the same be lodged within one calendar month after the publication of this notice.

Dated this fifth day of January, 1877, at the Lands Registry Office, Invercargill.

25 W. STUART,
Deputy District Land Registrar.

LAND TRANSFER ACT NOTICE.

NOTICE is hereby given, that the parcel of land hereinafter described will be brought under the provisions of "The Land Transfer Act, 1870," unless caveat be lodged forbidding the same on or before the 17th day of February next.

Wanganui Town Section 206, 1 rood.—In occupation of ROBERT CHARLES EARLE, the Applicant. 479.

Diagram may be inspected at this office.

Dated this 9th day of January, 1877, at the Lands Registry Office, Wellington.

7 ANDREW TURNBULL,
Deputy District Land Registrar.

LAND TRANSFER ACT NOTICE.

NOTICE is hereby given, that the parcel of land hereinafter described will be brought under the provisions of "The Land Transfer Act, 1870," unless caveat be lodged forbidding the same within one month from the date of the Gazette containing this notice.

Northern half of Allotment 812, Town of Hokitika.—In occupation of the Applicant, ANN DOLAN, Wife of John Dolan, of Hokitika, Carpenter. 329. (S. M. South, Solicitor.)

Diagram may be inspected at this office.

Dated this 21st day of December, 1876, at the Lands Registry Office, Hokitika.

10 W. M. PATRICK CRAUFORD,
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 within one calendar month from the date of publication of this notice in the Gazette:—

WILLIAM PAGE, of the District of Takaka, Farmer, Applicant.—58 acres, being Section "51" on square "11" of the plan of the Province of Nelson; also 33 acres and 40 acres 2 roods, being parts of Section "31" on the plan of the District of Takaka; also 160 acres, being Section "42" on the plan of the said district.

EDWARD HAROLD TRIBE, of the City of Nelson, Accountant, Applicant.—2 roods, being the eastern moiety of Section "1046" on the plan of the said City of Nelson, with a right-of-way over a private road ten feet wide from Nga-ti-awa Street, over the western moiety of the same section to the land applied for. (Henry Adams and Son, Solicitors.)

THOMAS POOLE, of the City of Nelson, Artist, Applicant.—1 acre, being part of part "6" of Section "166" on the plan of the District of Motueka; bounded Northward by part 7 of the same section; Eastward by a public road; Southward and Westward by other parts of said part "6." (Adams and Kingdon, Solicitors.)

HERBERT EVELYN CURTIS and OSWALD CURTIS, of the City of Nelson, Merchants, Applicants.—6 acres, being Sections "73, 74, 75, 76, 77, and 138," on the plan of the City of Nelson; also 61 acres 1 rood, being Sections "266 and 269" on the plan of the said city, two sections adjoining thereto on the said plan, not numbered, but originally granted to Joseph Macartney and Francis Dillon Bell, and part of Section "1" on the plan of the District of Suburban North, and adjoining the above lands; also 10 acres on the plan of the said city, known as the Mount Pleasant Estate, being part of a block of land of 21 acres granted to George William Schröder, and parts of Sections "51, 52, and 53," also granted to G. W. Schröder. Bounded Northward by Section 50, by other parts of said Sections 51, 52, and 53, and by Sections 54 and 55 on the plan of the City of Nelson; Eastward by other part of the said block of 21 acres, known as the Beachville Estate, and by a private road of 25 feet wide; Southward by Stanley Crescent; Westward partly by section 50, partly by other parts of the said block, and partly by Russell Street. (H. E. Curtis, Broker.)

Diagrams may be inspected at this office.

Dated this 8th day of January, 1877, at the Lands Registry Office, Nelson.

21 SAMUEL KINGDON,
District Land Registrar.

NOTICE.

THE appointment of JAMES STOCKWELL, of Brisbane, in the Colony of Queensland, notified in the *Gazette* of January 6th, 1876, as Commissioner of the Supreme Court of New Zealand, under "The Commissioners of the Supreme Court Act, 1875," for the purpose of taking acknowledgments of deeds by married women, has, at his own request, been revoked by His Honor the Chief Justice.

Notice of revocation was sent to the above Commissioner on December 29th, 1876.

ALEX. S. ALLAN,
Registrar, Supreme Court, Wellington.

To F. DERMOTT, Esq., Registrar of Births, Deaths, and Marriages.

SIR,—I hereby give notice that it is my intention to apply in one month from this date to be Registered under the provisions of the Medical Practitioners Act, and I have this day deposited my diploma with you for public examination.

THOMAS KEIRAN, L.R.C.S.E.
Hokitika, Jan. 4, 1877. 20

NOTICE is hereby given, that the Partnership subsisting between us, the undersigned Walter John Burton and Alfred Henry Burton, as Photographers, at Dunedin, under the style and firm of "Burton Brothers," has been dissolved by mutual consent as from the twenty-fifth day of November last. The business will in future be carried on by Mr. Alfred Henry Burton, under the same style as heretofore, who will pay all debts owing by, and is authorized to receive all debts and moneys owing to, the late firm.

As witness our hands this sixteenth day of December, 1876.

WALTER J. BURTON.
ALFRED H. BURTON.

Witness—
D'Arcy Haggitt, Solicitor, Dunedin. 657

STATEMENT of the Affairs of the Caledonian Quartz Mining Company (Registered), for the half-year ending 31st December, 1876, in accordance with section 135 of "The Mining Companies Act, 1872."

Name of Company: Caledonian Quartz Mining Company (Registered).
When formed, and date of registration: 23rd April, 1872.
Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Hokitika, Province of Westland; Leopold Beit.
Nominal capital: £15,000.
Amount of paid-up scrip given to shareholders: £5,000, half paid up, divided amongst original shareholders.
Number of shares in which capital is divided: 5,000.
Number of shares taken: 5,000, at £3 each.
Amount of calls made: £4,888 13s. 2d.
Total amount of subscribed capital paid up: £4,888 13s. 2d.
Number of shareholders at time of registration of Company: 10.
Amount of cash in hand: Nil.
Whether in operation or not: In operation.
Total amount of dividends declared: £750.
Number of shares unallotted: 100.

LEOPOLD BEIT,
Manager.

Hokitika, 31st December, 1876. 11

STATEMENT of the Affairs of the Orwell Creek Flat Gold Mining Company (Limited), for the half-year ended 31st December, 1876, in accordance with section 135 of "The Mining Companies Act, 1872."

Name of Company: Orwell Creek Flat Gold Mining Company (Limited).
When formed, and date of registration: 14th August, 1874.

Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Orwell Creek Flat, Grey Valley; George William Moss, Greymouth.

Nominal capital: £9,000.
Amount of paid-up scrip given to shareholders: £550.
Number of shares in which capital is divided: 3,000.
Number of shares taken: 2,055.
Amount of calls made: £2,532 10s.
Total amount of subscribed capital paid up: £2,496 2s. 6d., including £550 paid-up scrip given to shareholders.
Number of shareholders at time of registration of Company: 93.
Amount of cash in hand: Nil.
Whether in operation or not: Not in operation. Property purchased by, and now in course of transfer to, the Napoleon Hill Gold Mining Company (Limited).
Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.
Number of shares unallotted: 945.

G. W. Moss,
Manager.

Greymouth, 31st December, 1876. 19

STATEMENT of the Affairs of the Golden Fleece Gold Mining Company (Registered), for the half-year ended 31st December, 1876, in accordance with section 135 of "The Mining Companies Act, 1872."

Name of Company: The Golden Fleece Gold Mining Company (Registered).
When formed, and date of registration: 25th July, and 13th August, 1872.
Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Murray Creek, Inangahua; George William Moss, Greymouth.

Nominal capital: £24,000.
Amount of paid-up scrip given to shareholders: £15,000.
Number of shares in which capital is divided: 24,000.
Number of shares taken: 24,000.
Amount of calls made: £2,500.
Total amount of subscribed capital paid up: £17,500 (including paid-up scrip given to shareholders, £15,000).
Number of shareholders at time of registration of Company: 13.
Amount of cash in hand: Nil.
Whether in operation or not: Not in operation. Property purchased by, and now in course of transfer to, the Golden Fleece Extended Quartz Mining Company (Limited).
Total amount of dividends declared: £12,200.
Number of shares unallotted: Nil.

G. W. Moss,
Manager.

Greymouth, 31st December, 1876. 18

STATEMENT of the Affairs of the Ajax Quartz Mining Company (Registered), for the half-year ended 31st December, 1876, in accordance with section 135 of "The Mining Companies Act, 1872."

Name of Company: The Ajax Quartz Mining Company (Registered).
When formed, and date of registration: 15th and 18th June, 1872.

Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Shiels Prospecting Claim, Murray Creek; George William Moss, Greymouth.
Nominal capital: £50,080.
Amount of paid-up scrip given to shareholders: £40,064.
Number of shares in which capital is divided: 50,080.
Number of shares taken: 50,080.
Amount of calls made: £2,504.
Total amount of subscribed capital paid up: £42,568, including amount of paid-up scrip given to shareholders, £40,064.
Number of shareholders at time of registration of Company: 12.
Amount of cash in hand: Nil.
Whether in operation or not: Not in operation. Property purchased by, and now in course of transfer to, the Golden Fleece Extended Quartz Mining Company (Limited).
Total amount of dividends declared: £2,504.
Number of shares unallotted: Nil.

G. W. Moss,
Manager.

Greymouth, 31st December, 1876. 17

STATEMENT of the Affairs of the Golden Fleece Extended Quartz Mining Company (Limited), for the half-year ended 31st December, 1876, in

accordance with section 135 of "The Mining Companies Act, 1872."

Name of Company: The Golden Fleece Extended Quartz Mining Company (Limited).

When formed, and date of registration: October 21, and November 13, 1876.

Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Murray Creek, Inangahua; George William Moss, Greymouth.

Nominal capital: £48,000.

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

Number of shares in which capital is divided: 48,000.

Number of shares taken: 48,000.

Amount of calls made: Nil.

Total amount of subscribed capital paid up: £36,000, (being amount of paid-up scrip given to shareholders.

Number of shareholders at time of registration of Company: 35.

Amount of cash in hand: £342 8s. 8d.

Whether in operation or not: In operation.

Total amount of dividends declared: £13,200.

Number of shares unallotted: Nil.

G. W. Moss,
Manager.

Greymouth, 31st December, 1876. 14

STATEMENT of the Affairs of the Napoleon Hill Gold Mining Company (Limited), for the half-year ended 31st December, 1876, in accordance with section 135 of "The Mining Companies Act, 1872."

Name of Company: The Napoleon Hill Gold Mining Company (Limited).

When formed, and date of registration: 13th May, and 10th June, 1876.

Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Orwell Creek Flat, Grey Valley; George William Moss, Greymouth.

Nominal capital: £15,000.

Amount of paid-up scrip given to shareholders: £7,500.

Number of shares in which capital is divided: 5,000.

Number of shares taken: 5,000.

Amount of calls made: £3,000.

Total amount of subscribed capital paid up: £10,170 15s. 6d., including amount of paid-up scrip given to shareholders, £7,500.

Number of shareholders at time of registration of Company: 90.

Amount of cash in hand: Nil.

Whether in operation or not: In operation.

Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.

Number of shares unallotted: Nil.

G. W. Moss,
Manager.

Greymouth, 31st December, 1876. 16

STATEMENT of the Affairs of the Energetic Quartz Mining Company (Registered), for the half-year ended 31st December, 1876, in accordance with section 135 of "The Mining Companies Act, 1872."

Name of Company: The Energetic Quartz Mining Company (Registered).

When formed, and date of registration: 27th April, 1872.

Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Nos. 1 and 2 North of Wealth of Nations Quartz Mining Company (Registered), Murray Creek, Inangahua; George William Moss, Greymouth.

Nominal capital: £24,000.

Amount of paid-up scrip given to shareholders: £12,000.

Number of shares in which capital is divided: 6,000.

Number of shares taken: 6,000.

Amount of calls made: £5,250.

Total amount of subscribed capital paid up: £17,250, including paid-up scrip given to shareholders, £12,000.

Number of shareholders at time of registration of Company: 38.

Amount of cash in hand: £948 7s.

Whether in operation or not: In operation.

Total amount of dividends declared: £10,800.

Number of shares unallotted: Nil.

G. W. Moss,
Manager.

Greymouth, 31st December, 1876. 13