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Extending Jurisdiction of the Resident Magistrate's Court, Geraldine.

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

IN pursuance and exercise of the power and authority in me vested in this behalf by "The Resident Magistrates Act, 1867," I, George Augustus Constantine, Marquis of Normanby, the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, do hereby proclaim and declare that, from and after this first day of December instant, the jurisdiction of the Resident Magistrate's Court for

THE GERALDINE DISTRICT,

as the same is defined in a Proclamation bearing date the thirtieth day of November, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-seven, shall be extended to one hundred pounds.

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 Grand Cross 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 first day of December, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and seventy-seven.

JOHN SHEEHAN.

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN!

Land set apart for Special Settlement in Taranaki.

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

BY virtue and in exercise and pursuance of the powers and authorities vested in me by "The Taranaki Waste Lands Act, 1874," I, George Augustus Constantine, Marquis of Normanby, the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, do hereby proclaim and declare that the block of land described in the Schedule hereto is set apart, out of the waste lands within the Provincial District of Taranaki, for the purpose of special settlement, on such terms as may be sanctioned by the Governor in Council.

SCHEDULE.

ALL that parcel of land in the Provincial District of Taranaki, containing by admeasurement five thousand (5,000) acres, more or less. Bounded towards the North by the Manganui River, waste land, and part of the Ahuroa Block; towards the East by the Ahuroa Stream; towards the South by other part of the Ahuroa Block, waste land, and the Piakau River; and towards the West by the Waitara and Wanganui Railway line.

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 Grand Cross 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 tenth day of December, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and seventy-seven.

J. MACANDREW.

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN!

Boundaries of Borough of Caversham extended.

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

WHEREAS by "The Municipal Corporations Act, 1876," it is, amongst other things, enacted that the Governor may at any time, upon the petition of the Mayor and Council of a borough, by a Proclamation publicly notified, alter the boundaries of such borough so as to include therein any part of the foreshore: And whereas a petition has been presented to me by the Mayor and Councillors of the Borough of Caversham, in the Provincial District of Otago, praying me, amongst other things, to alter the boundaries of the said borough, so as to include therein the piece of land described in the First Schedule hereto, being part of the foreshore of the Otago Harbour:

Now, therefore, I, George Augustus Constantine, Marquis of Normanby, Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, in pursuance of the powers and authorities vested in me by the said Act, do hereby proclaim and declare that the boundaries of the said borough are hereby altered, so as to include within the limits of the said borough the land described in the First Schedule hereto, and that the said borough shall henceforth be bounded as specified in the Second Schedule hereto.

FIRST SCHEDULE.

EXTENSION OF BOROUGH OF CAVERSHAM.

ALL that parcel of land in the Provincial District of Otago, in the Colony of New Zealand, containing by admeasurement twenty (20) acres, more or less, and bounded towards the South-west by the Borough of Caversham as already existing; towards the North-west by a right line in continuation of the southern boundary of the Town Belt of the City of Dunedin to a point in Otago Harbour, a distance of one thousand (1000) links; towards the North-east by a right line from last-defined point to a point on the production of the north side of Cargill Road, a distance of one thousand (1000) links from the middle of the Anderson's Bay Road; and towards the South-east by the said right line, one thousand (1000) links, to the starting point: be all the aforesaid linkages more or less, as the same is delineated on the plans deposited in the Provincial District Survey Office, Dunedin; excepting out of the land herein described an area one (1) chain wide, being the Dunedin, Peninsula, and Ocean Beach Railway.

SECOND SCHEDULE.

BOROUGH OF CAVERSHAM.

ALL that parcel of land bounded on the North by the Southern Recreation-grounds and Town Belt of the City of Dunedin, from a road fronting Otago Harbour, known as Anderson's Bay Road, to the middle of the Main South Road; thence by the middle of the Main South Road through Sections 13, 14, and 15, Block VII., Town District, to where the eastern boundary of Section 5, Block VI., Town District, cuts that road; thence along the eastern side of said Section 5, Block VI., and thence by the northern boundary line of Sections 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 18, 19, 22, 23, 26, 27, 30, 31, 33, 34, 37, 38, 41, and

42, Block VI., Town District; bounded on the West by Section 45, Block VI., Town District, to the middle of the Main South Road; thence by the middle of the Main South Road to the District Road in Section 39, Block VI., Town District; thence along the middle of the said District Road to where it joins another District Road; then along the middle of that other road to the corner of Section 21, Ocean Beach District; thence by the western boundaries of Sections 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, and 32, Ocean Beach District, and a straight line to the Southern Ocean; bounded on the South by the Southern Ocean; bounded on the East by a line to and along the boundary of the incorporated Towns of St. Kilda and South Dunedin to a point opposite Section 8, Block VII., Town District, where a road line joins the before-mentioned Anderson's Bay Road, from said point in same direction as the north-western boundary line of South Dunedin in Otago Harbour, a distance of one thousand (1000) links; thence to a point in said harbour on the production of the southern boundary line of the Town Belt of the City of Dunedin, distant from middle of Anderson's Bay Road one thousand (1000) links; thence by a right line to the starting point: be all the aforesaid linkages more or less, as the same is delineated on the plans deposited in the Provincial District Survey Office, Dunedin; excepting out of the land herein described an area one (1) chain wide, being the Dunedin, Peninsula, and Ocean Beach Railway.

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 Grand Cross 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 eleventh day of December, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and seventy-seven.

G. S. WHITMORE.

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN!

Boundaries of Borough of South Dunedin Extended.

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

WHEREAS by "The Municipal Corporations Act, 1876," it is, amongst other things, enacted that the Governor may at any time, upon the petition of the Mayor and Council of a borough, by a Proclamation publicly notified, alter the boundaries of such borough so as to include therein any part of the foreshore: And whereas a petition has been presented to me by the Mayor and Councillors of the Borough of South Dunedin, in the Provincial District of Otago, praying me, amongst other things, to alter the boundaries of the said borough, so as to include therein the piece of land described in the First Schedule hereto, being part of the foreshore of the Otago Harbour:

Now, therefore, I, George Augustus Constantine, Marquis of Normanby, Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, in pursuance of the powers and authorities vested in me by the said Act, do hereby proclaim and declare that the boundaries of the said borough are hereby altered, so as to include within the limits of the said borough the land described in the First Schedule hereto, and that the said borough shall henceforth be bounded as specified in the Second Schedule hereto.

FIRST SCHEDULE.

ALL that area in the Provincial District of Otago, and Colony of New Zealand, containing by admeasurement one hundred and fifty-six (156) acres, more or less, being that portion of land lying between the Anderson's Bay Road and low watermark immediately contiguous to the Municipality of South Dunedin, commencing at the junction of the north side of the Cargill Road with the said Anderson's Bay Road, and continuing the line of the said Cargill Road a distance of three thousand (3000) links to low watermark; thence along low watermark a distance of four thousand one hundred and eighty (4180) links; thence in a line parallel to the first mentioned line three thousand six hundred (3600) links to the junction of the south side of the Bay View Road with the said Anderson's Bay Road; thence along the western side of the said Anderson's Bay Road four thousand two hundred (4200) links to the commencing point, the said western side being the eastern boundary of the said Municipality of South Dunedin. Excepting out of the land herein described an area one (1) chain wide, being the Dunedin, Peninsula, and Ocean Beach Railroad.

SECOND SCHEDULE.

ALL that parcel of land in the Provincial District of Otago, in the Colony of New Zealand, containing by admeasurement four hundred and nine (409) acres and twenty-five (25) poles, more or less, situated in the town district, being Sections numbered respectively one (1), two (2), three (3), four (4), five (5), six (6), seven (7), twenty-two (22), twenty-three (23), twenty-four (24), twenty-five (25), twenty-six (26), twenty-seven (27), twenty-eight (28), twenty-nine (29), thirty (30), thirty-one (31), thirty-two (32), thirty-three (33), thirty-four (34), thirty-five (35), thirty-six (36), and parts of Sections numbered respectively eight (8), forty-two (42), forty-three (43), forty-four (44), forty-five (45), Block seven (VII.), on the map of said district. Bounded towards the North-east by the low watermark of the Otago Harbour, four thousand one hundred and eighty (4180) links; towards the South-east by a line being the south side of Bay View Road produced, three thousand six hundred (3600) links, to the junction of the said side of Bay View Road with the Anderson's Bay Road; towards the South-west by a line to the middle of Bay View Road, twenty-five (25) links; again towards the South-east by a line extending along the middle of Bay View Road and Kennedy Road, five thousand two hundred and fifty (5250) links; towards the South-west by Section numbered 37, one thousand nine hundred and forty (1940) links; again towards the South-east by Sections numbered respectively 37, 38, 39, 40, and 41, and part of 46, three thousand six hundred and ten (3610) links; again towards the South-west by a road line two thousand (2000) links; and towards the North-west by part of Section numbered 13, Block VI., and Sections numbered respectively 21, 20, 19, 18, 17, 16, 15, 14, 13, and 12, and part of Section numbered 8, Block VII., eight thousand and eighty (8080) links, and thence in a right line in the same direction three

thousand (3000) links to low watermark at the starting point: be all the aforesaid linkages more or less. Excepting out of the land herein described an area one (1) chain wide, being the Dunedin, Peninsula, and Ocean Beach Railroad.

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 Grand Cross 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 eleventh day of December, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and seventy-seven.

G. S. WHITMORE.

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN!

Southland Thistle Ordinance brought into operation.

(L.S.)

NORMANBY, Governor.

A PROCLAMATION.

WHEREAS by an Ordinance of the Superintendent and Provincial Council of Southland intituled "The Thistle Ordinance, 1862," power is given to the Superintendent from time to time, by Proclamation in the Provincial Government Gazette, to declare that that Ordinance shall come into operation within any district, and thereby to proclaim the limits of the district: And whereas by "The Otago and Southland Union Act, 1870," all the powers vested in the Superintendent of the Province of Southland became vested in the Superintendent of the Province of Otago, and such powers now are, by "The Abolition of Provinces Act, 1875," vested in the Governor:

Now, therefore, I, George Augustus Constantine, Marquis of Normanby, the Governor of New Zealand, by virtue of the powers and authorities vested in me by the said Ordinance and Acts, do hereby proclaim and declare that on and after the fourteenth day of December, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-seven, the said Ordinance shall come into operation within the district, the limits whereof are set forth in the Schedule hereto.

SCHEDULE.

DESCRIPTION OF AREA PROPOSED TO BE BROUGHT UNDER "THE THISTLE ORDINANCE."

ALL that area of land comprising one thousand nine hundred and forty-nine (1,949) acres one (1) rood and three (3) perches, more or less, being part of Block I., Invercargill Hundred, and bounded as follows, namely:—Commencing on the Waihopai River, at the north-west angle of Section 25 (adjoining the Waihopai Bridge, on North Road); thence by a line running due south along the eastern side of North Road to Town of Invercargill; thence due east, and thereafter due south, along the northern and eastern boundaries of the Town of Invercargill to the eastern end of Tay Street; thence easterly, and thereafter north-easterly, along the southern boundaries of

Sections 1 to 7 inclusive of said block to the south-eastern angle of said Section 7; thence north-westerly along the eastern boundary lines of Sections 7, 34, 35, and 39, to the Waihopai River; thence south-westerly along the southern bank of said river to the starting point.

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 Grand Cross 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 thirteenth day of December, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and seventy-seven.

G. S. WHITMORE.

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN!

Members of Canterbury Public Domains Board appointed.

(L.S.) NORMANBY, Governor.

A PROCLAMATION.

WHEREAS by the eighth section of "The Canterbury Public Domains Act, 1872," it is enacted that the Superintendent of Canterbury, with the advice and consent of his Executive Council, may, by Proclamation under his hand, from time to time delegate all or any of the powers thereby conferred upon him acting as aforesaid to any person or persons for any period, and subject to such stipulations, conditions, and limitations as may be specified in such Proclamation, and every such delegation may from time to time in like manner alter or revoke: And whereas by a Proclamation dated the fifth day of May, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-six, published in the Canterbury Provincial Gazette, Volume XXIII., No. XVII., page 109, the Superintendent of the Province of Canterbury, with the advice of his Executive Council, delegated unto certain persons therein named, and called "The Canterbury Public Domains Board," all the powers conferred by the hereinbefore recited Act: And whereas by "The Abolition of Provinces Act, 1875," the powers, duties, and functions vested in the Superintendent and his Executive Council under the said eighth section are now vested in the Governor: And whereas it is expedient to alter the said Proclamation, so far as regards the delegation to the persons therein mentioned, of the powers thereby delegated:

Now, therefore I, George Augustus Constantine, Marquis of Normanby, Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, in pursuance of the powers and authorities vested in me by "The Canterbury Public Domains Act, 1872," and "The Abolition of Provinces Act, 1875," do hereby alter the said Proclamation so far as regards the delegation to the persons therein mentioned of the powers conferred by the said "Canterbury Public Domains Act, 1872," and I do hereby delegate, in respect of the lands contained

in the Schedule to "The Canterbury Public Domains Act, 1872," all the powers conferred by the said Act to the under-mentioned persons, who shall be known as "The Canterbury Public Domains Board," viz.,—

HUGH PERCY MURRAY-AYNSLEY,
JOHN HALL,
LEONARD HARPER,
RICHARD JAMES STRACHAN HARMAN,
EDWARD WILLIAM STAFFORD,
WILLIAM ROLLESTON,

subject to the stipulations hereinafter contained:—

1. None of the powers delegated shall be exercised in respect of the ground occupied by the building known as the Canterbury Museum, or by any building pertaining thereto which have been or may hereafter be erected in connection therewith by the authority of the Superintendent of the Province of Canterbury or Governor, or to such enclosures in connection therewith as may be approved by the Board and the Governor.

2. The Trustees of the said Museum, and their officers and servants, shall at all times have the right of ingress and egress to and from the said Museum at such times as shall be determined by the said Trustees.

3. The Board shall meet at such times and places as shall be from time to time appointed by the Chairman, or when it shall be convened by him, and the business shall be conducted under such regulations as shall be determined on by the Board.

4. The Board shall keep proper minutes and records of its proceedings, and full accounts of its receipts and expenditure, and a yearly statement of the same, together with a general report of its proceedings, shall be forwarded to the Governor once in every year.

5. This delegation of powers to the Board shall not in any way affect any lease or contract now in force between the Superintendent and any person or persons in respect of any portion of the lands named in the Schedule to "The Canterbury Public Domains Act, 1872," nor any agreement between the said Superintendent and any person or persons in respect of the dedication of any portion of the said lands to any purpose of public recreation or amusement.

6. This alteration shall not destroy or affect the validity of instruments executed or acts done during the subsistence of delegation made by the hereinbefore recited Proclamation of the fifth day of May, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-six.

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 Grand Cross 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 sixth day of December, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and seventy-seven.

G. S. WHITMORE.

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN!

Sanctioning Terms on which Land is set apart for Special Settlement in Taranaki.

NORMANBY, Governor.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government House, at Wellington, this tenth day of December, 1877.

Present:

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR IN COUNCIL.

WHEREAS by a Proclamation of even date herewith, made under the authority of "The Taranaki Waste Lands Act, 1874," the Governor did set apart out of the waste lands in the Provincial District of Taranaki, for special settlement, on such terms as might be sanctioned by the Governor in Council, the block of land described in the First Schedule hereto:

Now, therefore, I, George Augustus Constantine, Marquis of Normanby, the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, in pursuance and exercise of the powers and authorities vested in me by the said Act, and by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of the said colony, do hereby sanction the terms and conditions set forth at the foot hereof as the terms and conditions under which the said block of land is set apart for special settlement.

Conditions and Terms referred to in the above Order in Council.

1. In the construction of these terms, unless the context shall otherwise require, the following expressions shall have the meanings hereby assigned to them, that is to say,—

"Contractor" means any company, corporation, or person with whom the Governor may, in exercise of the powers vested in him by the 66th section of "The Taranaki Waste Lands Act, 1874," enter into such contract as is by such section authorized.

"Land" shall mean the block of land described in the First Schedule hereto.

"Settler" shall mean a male adult not less than twenty-one years of age, and shall include any person who purchases or otherwise becomes entitled under these conditions to the interest of such settler.

"Receiver of Land Revenue" shall mean the Receiver of Land Revenue for the Land District of Taranaki, or other person for the time being acting as such.

"Board" shall mean the Waste Lands Board for the Land District of Taranaki for the time being.

"The said Act" shall mean "The Taranaki Waste Lands Act, 1874."

2. The Contractor shall pay as the price of the land the sum of 20s. per acre, as follows:—A first instalment of 10 per cent. of the whole purchase-money six months from the date of the Contractor being furnished with a large-scale tracing of the land as surveyed into sections; a second instalment of 10 per cent. two years after the date hereinbefore appointed for payment of the first instalment; and the remainder of the purchase-money by eight instalments of 10 per cent. each, payable at intervals of twelve months, commencing as from the date appointed for the payment of the second instalment, until the whole purchase-money of 20s. per acre is paid.

3. The Governor shall, within nine months from the date of any contract made under the 66th section of the said Act, cause the land to be surveyed into convenient sections, not exceeding 200 acres

each, and road lines through the land to be reserved and laid off. The land so reserved, and all land reserved under the fourth paragraph of these conditions, shall be excepted from sale, and remain vested in Her Majesty.

4. The Governor may, within one month after the delivery to the Contractor of a large-scale tracing, pursuant to paragraph two of these conditions, reserve out of the land for public purposes, or as reserves for schools, such portion of the said land as shall not in the whole exceed ten acres; and the Contractor shall be entitled to a reduction in the purchase-money after the rate of twenty shillings per acre for every acre so reserved.

5. The Contractor may take up for his own purposes any portion of the said land not exceeding 400 acres in the whole.

6. All roads shall be constructed by the Contractor at such times and in such manner as the Board thinks best; but the Contractor shall not be bound to expend more than £2,000 upon such construction.

7. The land shall be surveyed into such sections, and in such manner as to shape, size, and otherwise, as shall be agreed upon by the Contractor and the Chief Surveyor of the Provincial District of Taranaki; or if they cannot agree within four months from the date of the contract, then as the Board directs.

8. If, after the completion of the survey as aforesaid, the Contractor shall desire any further subdivisions to be made, the same shall be made by the Chief Surveyor of the District of Taranaki, or by some surveyor authorized by him. All expenses thereby entailed, and in preparing plans for Crown grants or otherwise in consequence of such subdivision, shall be paid by the Contractor.

9. The Contractor shall at his own expense, within twelve calendar months from the day appointed for payment of the first instalment of the purchase-money, settle upon the said land one settler for every 200 acres of land. Every settler must be first approved of by the Board, and enter into an agreement with the Contractor to purchase not more than 200 acres, and not less than 50 acres, of the land.

10. Selections shall be made at such times and in such manner as the Contractor may, with the consent of the Board, require: Provided that neither the Government of the colony nor the Board shall be responsible for any delay occurring in the allotment or selection of any land, nor be bound to provide land for settlers in excess of the area of the land set aside and available for selection in accordance with these conditions.

11. A certificate in the form in the Third Schedule hereto, signed by the Contractor and the settler, shall be deposited with the Board before a settler shall be entitled to take occupation of the land selected by him.

12. The Contractor shall be entitled to require the Governor to issue Crown grants for the land purchased after the rate of one acre for every 20s. paid on account of purchase-money. No claim for a grant shall be made for less than 50 acres at one time, unless with the consent of the Board, and no grant shall be issued unless the Board shall certify that the Contractor has expended at least £250 in making and constructing roads through the land, nor shall grants be issued in excess of 100 acres for every £50 expended by the Contractor in constructing roads through the land as hereinbefore provided.

13. The Governor may (subject to the qualification contained in condition 12), if he thinks fit, issue a Crown grant to any settler who pays the purchase-money payable under these conditions for any land selected by him, and who proves to the satisfaction

of the Board that he is entitled thereto, and has fulfilled the terms and conditions of any contract he may have entered into with the Contractor respecting any land purchased by him. A certificate in the form specified in the Second Schedule hereto, signed by the Contractor, shall be sufficient evidence of such fulfilment.

14. Before any Crown grant is issued under these conditions, the usual and accustomed fees payable in respect of Crown grants shall be paid.

15. On the death of a settler before he has become entitled to a grant of his land, his executor or administrator shall, within six calendar months after his decease, or the Board may at any time thereafter, dispose of the estate and interest of such settler in any land purchased by him from the Contractor to some person who shall be approved of by the Board, and the purchaser shall be deemed to stand in the position of the settler whose interest he purchases, and be bound by and be subject to the same terms and conditions as such deceased settler was bound by and subject to.

16. If a sale under this condition is made by the Contractor, the net proceeds thereof, after paying all expenses, shall be paid to the executor or administrator of the deceased settler, as part of his personal estate.

17. Should any settler be compelled to leave the district previous to his becoming fully entitled to his Crown grant, he may transfer his right, title, and interest in such land to any person approved of by the Board. The purchaser shall stand in the same position as the settler from whom he purchased, and be subject to the same terms and conditions as such settler was bound by and subject to.

18. The estate and interest of any settler shall not, before he becomes fully entitled to a grant, be transferable, except as aforesaid, or liable to be taken in execution, or become vested on his bankruptcy or insolvency in the trustees of his estate, except with the consent of the Board and the Contractor.

19. No settler shall hold or be entitled to a grant for more than 200 acres in the whole, whether acquired by purchase from the Contractor or under the provisions of the last preceding sections. The Contractor shall not hold or purchase from a settler, or his executors or administrators, or the Board, the estate or interest of the settler in the land held by such settler under these conditions, nor hold or be entitled to a grant for more than 400 acres in the whole.

20. If the Contractor or any settler shall be found to have committed a wilful breach of any of these conditions, the Board may, upon sufficient proof thereof, of which the Board shall be the sole judge, forfeit his interest in the land so held or acquired; and the Board may dispose of such interest by public auction to any person who shall agree to settle on the land. Any person so purchasing shall be deemed to stand in the position of the settler whose interest he purchases. The proceeds of any sale, after paying all expenses, shall be expended by the Board in constructing and maintaining any roads on the land, or in such other improvements as the Board thinks best.

21. Within two years from the date hereinbefore fixed for payment of the first instalment of the purchase-money, the Contractor shall expend in making a road or roads through the land the sum of £2,000; such money shall be expended in such manner as the Board approves of.

22. The Governor may, if the Board shall consider it inexpedient to require the whole of the said sum of £2,000 to be expended within the said period of two years, require the Contractor, instead of so expending it, to deposit with the Board, at the expiration of the term of two years, so much of the said sum as shall be unexpended; and the moneys so deposited

shall be expended by the Board in the construction of roads through the land at such times and in such manner as the Board thinks expedient.

23. The Contractor shall forthwith on the delivery of such large-scale tracing as aforesaid give to the Board sufficient security (the nature and sufficiency whereof the Board shall be the sole judge) for the expenditure of the said sum of £2,000 or any part thereof.

24. All the moneys required to be paid for the land under these terms and conditions shall be paid to the Receiver of Land Revenue, and receipts given by him shall be a sufficient discharge for the payment of the moneys therein respectively acknowledged to have been received.

25. If the Contractor, or in the event of his decease his legal representatives, fails to carry out and perform any of these conditions, or of any contract he enters into with the Governor, all moneys paid under such contract shall be forfeited to Her Majesty, and the Governor may by notice to the Contractor, either delivered personally or left at the Contractor's known or last-known place of abode, in the Provincial District of Taranaki, determine this contract; and upon the delivery of such notice all the estate and interest of the Contractor under any contract made by him with the Governor shall cease and determine, and all improvements on the said land shall become the property of Her Majesty: Provided that the Governor may, in accordance with the conditions of this agreement, carry out and perform the terms and conditions of any contract made by the Contractor with a settler, and may, if he think fit, waive or dispense with the performance by a settler of any of such terms and conditions.

26. All disputes between the Governor and the Contractor, or between the Governor and any settler, concerning these conditions, or the terms and conditions of any contract between the Governor and the contractor or as to the construction of these conditions, or the terms and conditions of any such contract, or concerning any matter or thing required or not required to be done by these conditions or by any such contract, shall be submitted to two arbitrators, one to be named by each party. The arbitrators, or in case of difference between them, the umpire, shall award as to the matters in difference, and shall determine how and by whom the expenses of the reference shall be paid; and such award shall be final, and bind the parties hereto.

27. The Governor may, if he think fit, waive or dispense with the performance by the Contractor or by any settler of any matter or thing required by these conditions, or by any contract between the Governor and the Contractor to be done by such contractor or settler, or may extend the time within which such matter or thing may be done.

FIRST SCHEDULE.

ALL that parcel of land in the Provincial District of Taranaki, containing by admeasurement five thousand (5,000) acres, more or less. Bounded towards the North by the Manganui River, waste land, and part of the Ahuroa Block; towards the East by the Ahuroa Stream; towards the South by other part of the Ahuroa Block, waste land, and the Piakau River; and towards the West by the Waitara and Wanganui Railway line.

SECOND SCHEDULE.

I, THE UNDERSIGNED, do hereby consent to a Crown grant being issued to _____ for all that piece of land [*Here describe land*].

Dated _____, 18 _____.

Contractor.

The Waste Lands Board,
Land District of Taranaki.

THIRD SCHEDULE.

I, THE UNDERSIGNED, do hereby certify that [Name of settler] has agreed to purchase from me all that piece of land [Here describe the land], and is entitled to occupy the said land subject to the conditions under which the said land is set apart for special settlement, and of my contract with the Governor; and I, the said [Name of settler], do hereby agree with the Governor to abide by the said terms and conditions.

Dated , 18 .

Contractor.
Settler.

The Waste Lands Board,
Land District of Taranaki.

FORSTER GORING,
Clerk of the Executive Council.

Circuit Courts to be held at Invercargill.

NORMANBY, Governor.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government House, at Wellington, this tenth day of December, 1877.

Present:

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR IN COUNCIL.

WHEREAS by "The Supreme Court Act, 1860," it is enacted that there shall be held Circuit Courts, for the despatch of Civil and Criminal business of the Court before one of the Judges thereof, at such places and times as the Governor in Council may from time to time appoint:

And whereas by Order in Council made the second day of February, in the year one thousand eight hundred and seventy-four, Circuit Courts were appointed to be held within the Otago and Southland Judicial District, at the Council Hall at Invercargill, on the second Monday in each of the months of June and December in each and every year:

Now, therefore, His Excellency the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of the said colony, in pursuance and exercise of the power and authority vested in him by "The Supreme Court Act, 1860," doth hereby revoke the said in part recited Order in Council so far, but so far only, as the same appoints a Circuit Court of the Supreme Court to be held in the Otago and Southland Judicial District, at the Council Hall at Invercargill; and doth hereby appoint that, in lieu of the Circuit Court so appointed to be held, there shall be held in the said district, at the Assembly Room, Tay Street, on the second Monday in June and December in each and every year, a Circuit Court for the despatch of Civil and Criminal business of the said Court.

Approved in Council.

FORSTER GORING,
Clerk of the Executive Council.

Appointing Paora Tuhaere Trustee under "The Maori Real Estate Management Act, 1867."

NORMANBY, Governor.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government House, at Wellington, this tenth day of December, 1877.

Present:

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR IN COUNCIL.

WHEREAS by "The Maori Real Estate Management Act, 1867" (hereinafter called "the said

Act"), it is enacted that if any title to or interest in any hereditaments shall accrue to any Maoris, who or any of whom shall be infants, lunatics, or under legal disability, it shall be lawful for the Governor in Council, if he think fit, to order that such hereditaments, or any part thereof or interest therein as shall to the Governor in Council be shown to belong to such infant, lunatic, or other person under legal disability, shall be vested in trustees, as the Governor in Council shall think fit:

And whereas by an order bearing date the twentieth day of March, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-five, under the hand of Francis Dart Fenton, Esquire, Chief Judge of the Native Land Court, under the seal of the said Court, it was ordered that a memorial of the ownership of Arama Karaka te Matuku and others to the parcel of land described in the Schedule hereto, should be inscribed on the Court rolls:

And whereas the said Arama Karaka te Matuku died intestate:

And whereas at a sitting of the Native Land Court held at Helensville, in the District of Kaipara, in the Provincial District of Auckland, on the twenty-seventh day of June, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-seven, Te Tahuri Arama claimed to succeed to the interest and share of Arama Karaka te Matuku in the parcel of land described in the said Schedule, and it was ordered by the said Court that Te Tahuri Arama, Totaraehua, Te Waiante, and Paora Tuhaere, should succeed to the interest and share of the said Arama Karaka te Matuku in the hereditaments aforesaid:

And the said Te Waiante is an infant under the age of twenty-one years:

And it is expedient that Paora Tuhaere be appointed trustee under the said Act on behalf of the said Te Waiante:

Now, therefore, His Excellency the Governor of New Zealand, with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of the Colony, in exercise and in pursuance of the powers and authorities vested in him by the said Act, doth hereby order that the interest and share of the said Te Waiante in the land described in the Schedule hereto shall be and remain vested in the said

PAORA TUHAERE,

as Trustee within the meaning and for the purposes of the said Act for the said Te Waiante during minority.

SCHEDULE.

ALL that parcel of land at Makarau, in the District of Kaipara, in the Provincial District of Auckland, and called or known by the name of Tuhirangi or Makarau, containing by admeasurement 2,014 acres 1 rood and 8 perches, more or less: bounded towards the North-west by the Araparera Creek; towards the North-east by the Komokoriki Block, 13090 links; towards the East by the said block 8380 links, 168 links, 403 links, 86 links, 242 links, 208 links, 286 links, 824 links, 180 links, and 3444 links; towards the South by the Makarau River, and by a line 2050 links; towards the West by a line 3190 links; towards the North by lines 2523 links, 430 links, and 3053 links; and towards the West and South-west by lines 3070 links, 3900 links, 1309 links, and 12301 links.

FORSTER GORING,
Clerk of the Executive Council.

Warrant appointing Returning Officer, and Order declaring how Elections of County Councillors for the Riding of Wangapeka, County of Waimea, are to be regulated.

NORMANBY, Governor.

IN pursuance and exercise of all powers and authorities vested in me by "The Counties Act, 1876," I, George Augustus Constantine, Marquis of Normanby, the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, do hereby appoint

CHARLES ORCHARD

to be Returning Officer to conduct the elections of County Councillors of the County Council of Waimea, for the district of the Riding of Wangapeka, in the County of Waimea, so long as the whole of "The Counties Act, 1876," is not in force in the said county. And I do order that such elections shall be conducted and regulated by and under the provisions of "The Regulation of Local Elections Act, 1876," and that the provisions of that Act, except sections three, four, and six, shall apply accordingly; and that, for the purposes of that Act, the Returning Officer hereby appointed, or from time to time hereafter to be appointed by the Governor, shall have and exercise all the powers, duties, and functions vested by the said "Regulation of Local Elections Act, 1876," in any Returning Officer appointed by the local body under the provisions of that Act.

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

G. S. WHITMORE.

Rangers appointed under "The Protection of Animals Act, 1873."

NORMANBY, Governor.

IN pursuance of the powers vested in me by the thirty-first section of "The Protection of Animals Act, 1873," and "The Abolition of Provinces Act, 1875," I, George Augustus Constantine, Marquis of Normanby, Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, do hereby appoint

Mr. G. H. LUXFORD, of Berhampoor,
Mr. W. BRAMLEY, of Botanical Gardens, Wellington,
Mr. H. COOK, of Makara,
Mr. W. COOK, of Makara,
Mr. JOHN APLIN, of Upper Kaiwara,
Mr. CHARLES DUNCAN, of Porirua,
Mr. HENRY DAMANT, of Horokiwi Road,
Mr. D. SINCLAIR, of Wainuiomata,
Mr. J. SINCLAIR, of Wainuiomata,
Mr. JOHN GRACE, of Wainuiomata,
Mr. WELBY JACKSON, of Wainuiomata,
Mr. FRANK FISK, of Taita,
Mr. T. COTTER, of Silverstream,
Mr. JAMES BROWN, of Upper Hutt,
Mr. JAMES CRUICKSHANK, of Upper Hutt,
Mr. R. ELLIOTTE, of Pakuratahi,
Mr. W. BLACKIE, of Pahautanui,
Mr. G. BEST, of Ohariu,
Mr. ANDREW MAXWELL, of Wellington,

to be Rangers under the said thirty-first section within the district comprised within the limits of the County of Hutt, as defined in the First Schedule of "The Counties Act, 1876," to take care that the said Protection of Animals Act is complied with in the said district, and to lay informations against such persons as may offend against the same.

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

G. S. WHITMORE.

Notice of Petition.—Certain districts to be incorporated with the Borough of Maori Hill.

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

HIS Excellency the Governor directs it to be notified that, unless within two months after the publication of this notice a petition is presented to His Excellency the Governor signed by not less than one-third of the burgesses of the Borough of Maori Hill, or a petition signed by not less than one-third of the resident householders in certain districts adjoining the said borough, praying that such districts may not be incorporated into the said borough, His Excellency will, by Proclamation, incorporate into the said districts.

The boundaries of the districts proposed to be incorporated are as follows:—

All that parcel of land in the Provincial District of Otago, containing by admeasurement 1,700 acres, more or less. Bounded on the North-west and West by Bush Reserve and Section 40, 4500 links, by Sections 49, 50, 51, 52, 53, and part of 54, 8600 links, by Sections 73, 72, 71, and part of 70, 4200 links, all of Block V., Dunedin and East Taieri District; on the North-east by Sections 76 and 73, Block V., Dunedin and East Taieri, 5280 links, by Road Reserve and Sections 19 and 12, Block VIII., North Harbour and Blueskin, 3320 links, and Sections 66 and 65, Block XI., 4800 links, Section 8, Block X., 1300 links, and part of Sections 1 and 2, Block X., 1700 links, all of North Harbour and Blueskin District, also part of Section 8, Block 2, a road line, and Sections 14 and 13, Block I., Upper Kaikorai District, 420, 30, and 1860 links; on South-east by north-west side of a road line between Blocks VIII. and XI., North Harbour and Blueskin, 150 links, by Sections 8 and 6, and part of Sections 4 and 1, Block X., North Harbour and Blueskin, 1500 and 4300 links, by Dunedin Town Belt 2400 and 620 links, by middle of a road line between Sections 8 and 9, 843 links, and by Section 8, Block II., Upper Kaikorai District, 1140 links, and by middle of a road line north-west of Sections 101, 102, and 103, Wakari District, 1720 links; on the South and South-west by Sections 36, 38, 40, Block V., Dunedin and East Taieri, 4300 links, and Sections 10 and 51, Wakari District, 4320 links, by middle of a road line from Dunedin Town Belt to northern angle of Section 101, Wakari District, 10,000 links, and by the north-east side of a road line present boundary of Maori Hill Municipality, 1710 links; be all the aforesaid linkages more or less.

G. S. WHITMORE.

By-laws of Avenal Municipal Corporation confirmed.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Wellington, 11th December, 1877.

THE following By-laws, passed by the Municipal Corporation of the Borough of Avenal, are published in accordance with the provisions of "The Otago Municipal Corporations Empowering Act, 1865."

G. S. WHITMORE.

BY-LAWS MADE UNDER THE AUTHORITY OF "THE OTAGO MUNICIPAL CORPORATIONS EMPOWERING ACT, 1865."

Any person guilty of any of the following offences, omissions, or neglects within the Town of Avenal shall, on being convicted of any such offence, neglect, or omission, be liable to pay any penalty not exceeding five pounds (£5).

1st. Throwing any glass, filth, dirt, rubbish, or other matter of a similar nature upon any street, footway, court, alley, or public place whatsoever.

2nd. Riding, driving, leading, or wheeling any barrow, cart, dray, or carriage upon or along any footpath without permission from the Town Council to do so.

3rd. Placing any timber, bricks, stones, or other building materials upon any footway, channel, surface drain, or carriage-road, or open or public place without such permission as aforesaid.

4th. Burning any shavings, straw, or other materials or matter upon any footway, carriage-road, or open or public place without such permission as aforesaid.

5th. Leaving any inflammable materials or matter in any public shed or place, or on any open space near any building, without such permission as aforesaid.

6th. Drawing or trailing any sledge, timber, or other material upon any footway or carriage-road, to the injury of such footway or carriage-road, so as to be unable to have the full control of them.

7th. Placing any placard or other document, writing, or painting on, or otherwise defacing any house or building, or any wall, fence, or lamp-post, railway-post, or gate, without the consent of the occupier or owner thereof.

8th. Opening any drain or sewer, or removing the surface of any footway or carriage-road without authority from the Town Council to do so.

9th. Neglecting to clean any private yardway, passage, or avenue, by which neglect a nuisance, by offensive smell or otherwise, is caused.

10th. Furiously or negligently riding or driving through any public street or thoroughfare.

11th. Making any cellar door or other opening from the footway of any street or public thoroughfare without the consent or not in accordance with the direction of the Town Council.

12th. Any person laying out or opening any street or building therein, and omitting, during the operations necessary for forming such street or for building therein, to take all such precautions for guarding against injury to the passengers along such street as may be necessary or as may be directed by the Town Council.

13th. Any person placing any obstruction upon any street line whereby life or limb is likely to be endangered.

14th. Any person leaving any hole, excavation, or dangerous formation in or near any public place, street, or thoroughfare, without fencing or enclosing the same, or without keeping a light burning upon such formation from sunset to sunrise.

15th. Any person neglecting or omitting to keep in good repair any rail, gate, fence, or cover over or about any area or entrance to any cellar or other place, or keeping open for more than a reasonable time for taking in or out any articles any entrance to any area, cellar, or other place (such area or entrance opening into or upon or near any public street, road, thoroughfare, or other public place).

16th. Any carter riding on any cart, dray, or wagon without having or holding proper and sufficient reins, and no competent person having charge of the animal or animals drawing the same.

17th. Any person driving any vehicle whatsoever, or riding any animal, and, when meeting any other vehicle or animal, not keeping on the left or near side of the road or street, or, when passing any other vehicle or animal going in the same direction, not going or passing, or not allowing any person desirous so to do, to pass, when practicable, on the right or off side of such other vehicle or animal.

18th. Driver of any horse or vehicle injuring any person or property whatsoever by negligence, or by driving on the wrong side of the road, or by being away from his horse or cattle so as to be unable to have the full control of them.

19th. Any person who shall act as driver or have the sole charge of more than one vehicle on any public road or street, unless in cases where two of such carriages, and no more, shall be drawn each by one horse only, and the horse of the hinder of such carriages shall be attached by a sufficient rein to the back of the foremost of such vehicles.

20th. Driver or guard of public vehicle for conveyance of passengers wilfully delaying on the road, using any abusive or insulting language to any passenger, or, by reason of intoxication, negligence, or other misconduct, causing injury to or endangering the safety of the persons or property of any passenger or other person.

21st. Any person turning loose any horse or cattle upon any public street, or allowing any animal or animals to wander on any public street or thoroughfare, within the Town of Avenal.

22nd. Any person leaving upon any public street or thoroughfare any plough, harrow, cart, or other vehicle without any horse or animal harnessed thereto, unless in consequence of some accident having occurred.

23rd. Any person having any iron, timber, or boards laid across any vehicle going along any street or thoroughfare, so that either end shall project more than two (2) feet beyond the wheels or sides of such vehicle, without the permission of the Town Council.

24th. Any person suffering or allowing any waste or impure water, offensive vegetable or animal matter, or other matter to remain in any cellar or place within any building or premises in the town, or allowing any waste or impure water or other matter to run or flow from any such building or premises upon, or over, or be on any carriage road or footway, or other place, whether public or private, within the said town, or shall allow the contents of any water-closet, privy, or cesspool to overflow or to soak therefrom, so as to be offensive.

25th. All drains under footways shall be constructed with iron pipes, drain tiles, or box drains, not exceeding three (3) inches in diameter, and shall be laid with a fall of four (4) inches in the whole width of the footway, the level at the discharge mouth being the level of the water-channels.

26th. The curbing shall be neatly cut with a hole of the same size as the outside diameter of the pipe to receive the end of the pipe, and re-laid to line and level.

27th. The footway opened up for the reception of the pipe shall be made good with the same material of which it is constructed, to the satisfaction of the Town Surveyor.

28th. No drain under a footway, and discharging into the channel, shall be laid or used for any other purpose than for carrying off surface-water, whether from roof or yards.

29th. Every drain from a house or building connected with the main or branch drain or sewer shall be made of flanged earthenware or metal pipes, or wooden box-drains of six (6) inches in diameter, and placed at such level or inclination as the Town Surveyor shall direct, and shall have a sunk box at its source, the bottom of which shall be fixed at a level of twelve (12) inches below the level of the drain, and must be made in accordance with a drawing and specification deposited at the office of the Town Clerk.

30th. No crossing shall be less than ten (10) feet long in the direction of the street, nor of greater

length, unless the permission of the Town Surveyor has been first obtained.

31st. Any crossing laid in any street or part of a street may be laid with hardwood sleepers, four (4) inches deep and three (3) inches thick, well tarred, twelve (12) inches apart, and the crossing may be laid with planks of 4 x 2 inches in regular courses one (1) inch apart.

32nd. All crossings shall be laid the full width of and level with the footway, and extending not less than three (3) feet into the street, and shall have such inclination over the channel and be set to such gradients as the Town Surveyor may direct.

33rd. No materials shall be used in any crossings which have not first been approved of by the Town Surveyor.

34th. It shall not be lawful to make or keep any stack of hay, corn, straw, or other agricultural produce belonging to the class of cereals stored in any building within the Town of Avenal attached to or at a less distance than twenty (20) feet from any other building, unless the roof of such first-mentioned building is covered with iron or slates and the walls are constructed wholly of brick.

36th. It shall not be lawful to deposit any timber shavings in any wooden building at a less distance than ten (10) feet from any adjoining land, street, public place, and building.

37th. It shall not be lawful to make or light any fire in any building within the Town of Avenal situate at a less distance than fifty (50) feet from any other building, save in some properly-constructed fireplace.

38th. Any building, while used as a stable only, may be used for the storage of hay, corn, straw, or other agricultural produce, whether complying with the foregoing regulations or not, provided that, if built of wood or iron, its storing capacity shall not exceed three thousand (3,000) cubic feet.

39th. It shall not be lawful to keep any swine within sixty (60) feet of any private or public dwelling, shop, or of any public or private street within the meaning of the said Act, or within (60) sixty feet of any adjoining land. This regulation shall be construed as meaning the building line of the said streets or of any such street respectively.

40th. No person shall empty any privy, or load, carry, remove, or deposit any nightsoil, offal, filth, rubbish, or other offensive refuse or matter within the Town of Avenal, save between the hours of eleven o'clock p.m. and six o'clock a.m. of any day.

41st. No person shall deposit any nightsoil, offal, filth, rubbish, or other offensive refuse or matter, or empty the contents of any privy within the Town of Avenal at any place save and except at the Corporation Manure Depot.

42nd. For each license for any hackney carriage or borough stage carriage, within the meaning of a regulation made under the authority of section 48, subdivision 1, part 10, of the 13th schedule of the said Act, there shall be paid to the Town Clerk the sum of one pound (£1) annually, every license to be available only until the 19th day of April after the day of its issue.

43rd. Every such hackney carriage or borough stage carriage, while standing or plying for hire, shall every evening at and after sunset, carry and sufficiently display two (2) lighted lamps, one on each side of the splash board.

44th. The owner of every licensed hackney carriage shall paint, on a conspicuous part of the offside thereof, his name, and the word "licensed," and the number of the license, in white letters one (1) inch in length on a black ground.

45th.—All hackney carriages and borough stage

carriages plying for hire when waiting for hire shall be ranked in single line.

46th. The rates of fares to be paid for hackney carriages or borough stage carriages shall be as follows:—

Fares by time for licensed carriage drawn by one horse: for the first, second, or third hour four shillings (4s.) per hour; for every subsequent hour three shillings (3s.) per hour; half and quarter hours at the same rates.

Fares by time for licensed carriage drawn by more than one horse:—For the first, second, or third hour five shillings (5s.) per hour; for every subsequent hour four shillings (4s.) per hour; half and quarter hours at same rates.

Fares by distance for licensed carriage drawn by one horse:—For half a mile, or any less distance, 1s.

For a mile, or any less distance more than half a mile, 1s. 6d.

For every additional half mile, or fractional part of half a mile, 9d.

Any person calling or sending for any licensed carriage, and not further employing same, exclusive of detention charge, 1s.

Half fare allowed each if distance exceeds two miles, provided the fare is not by time.

Fares by distance for licensed carriages drawn by more than one horse:—For half a mile or any less distance, 1s. 6d.

For a mile, or any less distance more than half a mile, 2s.

For every additional half-mile, or fractional part of half a mile, 1s.

Any person calling or sending for any licensed carriage drawn by more than one horse, and not further employing same, exclusive of detention charge, 1s. 6d.

Half fare allowed each if distance exceeds two miles, provided the fare is not by time. Detention, for every fifteen minutes after the first five minutes, charge, 1s.

47th. For every license for any cart plying for hire within the Town of Avenal, and for any wood cart, and for any night-cart, there shall be paid to the Town Clerk the sum of one pound (£1) annually.

Every license to be available only until the 19th day of April after the date of its issue.

The owner of any licensed cart shall paint, on a conspicuous part of the offside thereof, his name, and the word "licensed," and the number of the license, in white letters one (1) inch in length on a black ground.

The rates of fares to be paid for licensed carts plying for hire, and night-carts, shall be as follows:—

Carts and Wagons.—The weight to be carried for a single load by any cart licensed to stand or ply for hire shall be one (1) ton (2,240 lbs.), and for any express wagon half a ton (1,120 lbs.).

Fares by Distance.—For any quantity of goods not exceeding five (5) cwt., distance half a mile or under, 1s. 6d. Further distance to be charged by time.

For any quantity over five (5) cwt. and under one (1) ton, distance half a mile or under, 2s.

For any quantity over five (5) cwt. and under one (1) ton, to any part of Avenal from any part, distance being above half a mile, 2s. 6d.

For any distance beyond one (1) mile, at per mile, 2s. 6d.

For any further ton, 2s. 6d.

Further distance to be charged by time.

Fares by Time.—For any time not exceeding half an hour, 2s. 6d.

Exceeding one half, but not exceeding one hour, 4s.

Subsequent hour, each, 3s.

For whole day of eight hours' work, 20s.

Removing of furniture always to be paid by time, carter being bound to use all reasonable expedition. Time or distance to be at the option of the employer, except as to removal of furniture.

Night-carts. — For removing the nightsoil from boxes two (2) feet eight (8) inches in length by one (1) foot six (6) inches, by one (1) foot three (3) inches, inside measurement, or boxes measuring the equivalent of five (5) cubic feet, 4s. For boxes measuring above five (5) cubic feet and less than ten (10) cubic feet, 7s. For boxes measuring above ten (10) cubic feet and less than fifteen (15) cubic feet, 10s.

The above by-laws were made by the Council of the Town of Avenal at a special meeting held at the Council Chambers, Main North Road, Avenal, on the 19th day of September, 1877.

ANDREW DUNLOP, Mayor.
CHAS. W. BROWN, Town Clerk.

We hereby declare that more than two-fifths of the Councillors were present at the above meeting, as required by section 39 of "The Municipal Corporations Empowering Act, 1875."

ANDREW DUNLOP, Mayor.
CHAS. W. BROWN, Town Clerk.

Public Vaccinator appointed.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Wellington, 7th December, 1877.

IT is hereby notified that, under the provisions of "The Public Health Act, 1876," His Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint

Mr. ROBERT CROSS,

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 of Waimea.

G. S. WHITMORE.

Returning Officer and Polling-places for Mount Cook Road Board appointed.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Wellington, 7th December, 1877.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint

GEORGE FREDERICK CLULEE, Esq.,

to be Returning Officer to conduct the elections for the Mount Cook Road Board; and also to appoint

The RAILWAY STATION, ALBURY, and
The ROAD BOARD OFFICE, BURKE'S PASS,

to be Polling-places for the aforesaid elections.

G. S. WHITMORE.

Managers of Mount Hutt Cemetery appointed.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Wellington, 7th December, 1877.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint the under-mentioned persons to be Managers of the Mount Hutt Cemetery, under section 1 of "The Cemetery Reserves Management Ordinance, 1870" (Canterbury), viz.,—

HUGH McLLRAITH,
JULIAN JACKSON,
CHARLES STRICKLAND MACKIE,
WILLIAM MACMILLAN,
THOMAS ALLEN.

G. S. WHITMORE.

Registrar of Dogs appointed.

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

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint

JAMES EDWARD IND BOYS

to be Registrar of Dogs for the district known as the Greytown Local District.

G. S. WHITMORE.

Member of Board of Management of Nelson Hospital appointed.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Wellington, 7th December, 1877.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint

ALFRED GREENFIELD, Esq.,

to be a member of the Board of Management of the Nelson Hospital, vice Lowther Broad, Esq., resigned.

G. S. WHITMORE.

Inspectors of Slaughterhouses appointed.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Wellington, 7th December, 1877.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint the following members of the police force in the Westland District to be Inspectors of Slaughterhouses and of Cattle intended for Slaughter, for the districts placed opposite the name of each member, viz.,—

Name.	Rank.	District.
James O'Malley	Sergeant	Hokitika.
James Doris	Constable	Greymouth.
Timothy McCarthy	"	Ahaura.
Joseph Eccleton	"	No Town.
Hugh Boyle	Sergeant	Maori Gully.
Michael Quirke	Constable	Dunganville.
John Dean Watson	"	Greenstone.
William Emerson	Sergeant	Waimea.
Patrick McGill	Constable	Stafford.
John Hatton	"	Kumara.
Adam Bissett	Sergeant	Kanieri.
John Keating	Constable	Ross.
James Slattery	Sergeant	Okarito.
Joseph Barrett	"	Arawata.

G. S. WHITMORE.

Registrar of Friendly Societies appointed.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Wellington, 11th December, 1877.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint

WILLIAM ROBERT EDWARD BROWN, Esq.,

to be Registrar of Friendly Societies, under "The Friendly Societies Act, 1877."

G. S. WHITMORE.

Prize Firing Rules.

Colonial Defence Office,
Wellington, 12th December, 1877.

THE following Rules for the competition for the Rifle Prizes, 1878, are published for general information.

G. S. WHITMORE.

1. The sum of £800 having been voted by the General Assembly for rifle prizes, the amount has

been divided *pro rata* amongst the Volunteer Corps, according to the nominal strength on the 31st October, 1877, viz.,—

District.	Adults.			Cadets.			Total.		
	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Auckland ...	84	0	0	6	5	0	90	5	0
Waiuku ...	41	10	0	4	5	0	45	15	0
Waikato ...	17	5	0	...	...	...	17	5	0
Taranaki ...	9	15	0	...	...	...	9	15	0
Wanganui ...	16	15	0	2	15	0	19	0	0
Rangitikei ...	10	15	0	2	5	0	13	0	0
Wellington ...	34	5	0	14	10	0	48	15	0
Napier ...	6	5	0	1	15	0	8	0	0
Poverty Bay ...	17	15	0	...	...	...	17	15	0
Bay of Plenty ...	6	10	0	...	...	...	6	10	0
Thames ...	74	15	0	9	10	0	84	5	0
Nelson ...	27	5	0	9	5	0	36	10	0
Marlborough ...	35	15	0	9	10	0	45	5	0
Canterbury ...	53	10	0	5	10	0	59	0	0
Oamaru ...	24	0	0	5	5	0	29	5	0
Dunedin ...	100	15	0	41	5	0	142	0	0
Invercargill ...	27	0	0	6	10	0	33	10	0
Lake ...	19	10	0	1	10	0	21	0	0
Westland ...	22	15	0	5	10	0	28	5	0
Armed Constabulary Reserve ...	45	0	0	...	...	...	45	0	0
Total ...	675	0	0	125	0	0	800	0	0

2. The whole sum voted having been set apart for prizes, no claims for marking, &c., can be entertained. Each district must arrange for markers at its own expense.

3. A Committee, composed of the Officer Commanding and not less than two senior Volunteer Officers in each district, will divide the amounts set apart for their respective districts into such prizes as they may determine, and to be competed for at such ranges, &c., as they may appoint. The Commissioner of Armed Constabulary will prepare and issue rules for the prizes apportioned to that force.

4. In the firing for these prizes the general rules of the "Prize Firing Regulations, 1877," must be adhered to.

5. The competition to take place at such times as may be directed by the Officer Commanding the district, not being later than 31st March, 1878.

6. As soon as possible after the firing has been concluded, returns showing the conditions under which the competitions took place, the names of the prize-winners, and the several amounts of the prizes, together with the full scores of all competitors, must be sent to the Acting Under Secretary for Defence.

Resignation of Volunteer Officers.

Colonial Defence Office,
Wellington, 12th December, 1877.

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

Lieutenant A. King, South District Rifle Volunteers.

Honorary Assistant Surgeon W. Cotterell, Invercargill Artillery Volunteers.

Captain G. Lawlor, Thames Engineer Cadets.

Captain G. A. King, Auckland Grammar School Cadets.

G. S. WHITMORE.

Appointment of Armed Constabulary Officers.

Colonial Defence Office,
Wellington, 12th December, 1877.

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

In the Armed Constabulary Force.

Sub-Inspector William Airy Richardson to be Inspector, First Class. Date of commission, 17th August, 1874.

Sub-Inspector Forster Yelverton Goring to be Inspector, Second Class. Date of commission, 17th August, 1874.

G. S. WHITMORE.

Receiver of Gold Revenue appointed.

The Treasury,
Wellington, 11th December, 1877.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint

JOSEPH ECCLETON

to be Receiver of Gold Revenue at No Town, in the Provincial District of Nelson, as from the 12th November, 1877, *vice* W. Stephenson, transferred.

G. GREY,
(for the Colonial Treasurer.)

NOTICE TO MARINERS.

No. 38 of 1877.

Customs Department (Marine Branch),
Wellington, 11th December, 1877.

THE following Hydrographical memorandum, received from the Commodore Commanding the Australian Station, is published for general information.

G. GREY.

FIJI.

INFORMATION FURNISHED BY H.M.S. "ALACRITY,"
DURING SURVEY OF GROUP IN 1877.

Olozenga Rock, near Kermadec Group, W. Polynesia.

Investigator Straits, Port Moorowie, S. Australia.

Light on Cape Wanbrow, Port of Oamaru, N.Z.
Kaan Islands, and New Britain Coast.

Hydrographic Notice No. 17.

THE accompanying Hydrographic information relative to parts of the Australian Station is promulgated for general information and guidance.

A. H. HOSKINS,
Commodore.

To the respective Captains and Officers
Commanding Her Majesty's Ships on
the Australian Station.

Extract from Sailing Directions sent to Hydrographer's Office from Her Majesty's Surveying Schooner "Alacrity."

September, 1877.

SUVA TO THUVU (OR THUB).

Suva to Navua River.—From Suva to Navua River the general direction of the coast is S.W. An irregular chain of reefs lies parallel to the shore, forming four prominent elbows, two of which are 3 miles distant from the nearest part of the coast.

Navua Roads.—The Navua Roads is the name given to the anchorage formed by the deposit from the Navua River. In westerly winds good shelter can be obtained, west of the river, under the lee of the Rovondrau Reefs in 4 fathoms, mud.

Rovondrau Bay.—Two miles to the westward of Navua River is Rovondrau Bay, where there is good anchorage in moderate depth, well protected from the prevailing S.E. winds by the Rovondrau Reefs.

Coral Bay.—The Rovondrau Reefs terminate $\frac{1}{2}$ mile S.W. of a bay of coral grit which stands 1 foot above high water, and is conspicuous in bright weather.

Mbengha Passage.—The Mbengha Passage between the Island of Mbengha and the south coast of Viti Levu is 10 miles long, and has for its limits—on the south side the Pratt Reefs, the Pearl Rock, the Cæsar Rocks, and the Nisithi Rocks; and on the north side the Naitata Flats, the Rovondrau Reefs, Combe, Lake, and Shark Reefs, and the Lerua Reef. Between Shark Reef and the Cæsar Rock the passage is but little over one mile wide, the depth in the middle being 150 fathoms.

Landmarks.—In passing through the Mbengha Passage the most conspicuous landmarks are—Storm Islet, Mbengha, Tanutha, and Bird Islet, on the port hand; the Kovondrau Bay, Shark's Fin Hill, and a sandy bay on the Shark Reef, on the starboard hand.

Directions for Mbengha Passage.—Pass within 1 mile of the Rovondrau Bay, and steer W. by S. $\frac{1}{4}$ S., keeping well over to the Shark Reef to insure clearing the Cæsar Rocks which do not break. The Cæsar Rocks are passed when Shark Reef Bay is in line with the Shark's Fin, when a more southerly course may be steered, if necessary, to clear the reefs off Lerua.

Pratt Reefs.—The Pratt Reefs are a group of coral patches half way between the North Shore of Mbengha and the Rovondrau Reefs. In the centre of the largest patch is a sandy bay which is awash at low water.

Pearl Rock.—Pearl Rock, W.S.W. 2 miles of the sand bay mentioned above, is a coral patch with 3 fathoms on it at low water.

Cæsar Rocks.—The Cæsar Rocks are two small coral heads of 6 feet below low water, situated N.E. $\frac{1}{2}$ N. 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ miles from Bird Islet. There is seldom or ever any break on them.

Nisithi Rocks.—Between the Cæsar Rocks and Thakau Nisithi the bottom is very foul, being strewn with rocks about 6 to 12 feet below low water.

Thakau Nisithi.—Thakau Nisithi is the name given by the natives to the coral reef upon which is situated the Bird Islet (of Wilkes), which is a small sandy bay with a group of bushes on it, making its entire height 4 feet above high water.

Tanutha Island. (Called *Namuka* on Chart 2691.)—Tanutha Island, 8 miles W. by S. of Mbengha Peak, is 1 mile long by $\frac{1}{2}$ mile broad. It has three peaks, the highest of which is 450 feet. There is anchorage in 7 fathoms, sand, off the N.W. coast, protected from prevailing winds. In going north from this island care must be taken to avoid the coral heads between the Tanutha Reefs (to the West of Tanutha and Thakau Nisithi).

The Shark's Fin.—In passing through the Mbengha Passage the most conspicuous landmark on the starboard hand is the Shark's Fin—a hill covered with trees, and 680 feet high.

Combe Reef.—Combe Reef is a large patch awash at low water 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ miles W. by S. of the Rovondrau Bay.

Lake Reef.—Lake Reef, 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ W. by S. of Combe Reef, is below low water, and less conspicuous than the latter.

Shark Reef.—Shark Reef is 1 $\frac{1}{4}$ miles long. The western half of it is awash, but the eastern half is a few feet below low water. The sand bay on Shark Reef is 1 foot above high water and is situated 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ miles S. $\frac{1}{2}$ E. of the Shark's Fin.

Lerua Harbour.—Lerua Harbour is well protected from all winds, but not suitable for sailing vessels, on account of the difficulty of egress when the trade wind is blowing. There is good anchorage in 16 fathoms, mud, with left extreme Lerua Islet in line, left extreme land beyond, distant 1,200 yards.

The Hog's Back.—2 $\frac{1}{2}$ miles west of Lerua Harbour is a round, wooded hill, called the Hog's Back, conspicuous for many miles from both East and West.

Hog's Back Point.—Hog's Back Point is the extremity of the ridge running down from the Hog's Back.

Harbours between Lerua and Thuvu.—Vinariu, called Grandy Harbour in Chart 2691. Levi and Thuvu Harbours are suitable for steam vessels only.

Vinariu Harbour.—Vinariu Harbour is 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ miles W. by S. of Hog's Back Point. Good anchorage in 8 fathoms, mud; well protected.

Levi.—Levi Harbour, 17 $\frac{1}{2}$ miles W. $\frac{1}{2}$ N. of Hog's Back Point, has anchorage in 7 fathoms, sand.

Thuvu.—Thuvu, or Thub, Harbour (erroneously called Ndronga on Pub. Chart No. 176) is 6 $\frac{1}{2}$ miles W. by N. of the Singatoke River. Anchorage in 5 fathoms, sand. Staff Commander Hosken has executed a sketch of this small port. Bearings given are magnetic.

Corrections to Chart No. 2691.

Name of Place.	Position assigned on Chart No. 2691.		Corrected Position.	
	Lat.	Long.	Lat.	Long.
Vatu Lele Island, N. Point	deg. min. 18 31	deg. min. 177 32	deg. min. 18 29	deg. min. 177 30 $\frac{1}{2}$
Vatu Lele Island, S. Point	18 23	177 35 $\frac{1}{2}$	18 30	177 38
Vatu Lele, East Elbow of Reef	18 30 $\frac{1}{2}$	177 35	18 29 $\frac{1}{2}$	177 40.
Flying Fish Shoal ...	18 36	177 43 $\frac{1}{2}$	18 36	177 46 $\frac{1}{2}$
S.W. Horn, Mbengha Barrier	18 31	177 53 $\frac{1}{2}$	18 31 $\frac{1}{2}$	177 57 $\frac{1}{2}$
East Point, Mbengha Barrier	18 23	178 8	18 23 $\frac{1}{2}$	175 11
Storm Islet, North Point	18 20 $\frac{1}{2}$	178 6	18 20 $\frac{1}{2}$	178 8 $\frac{1}{2}$
Elbow of Coral Reef ...	18 12 $\frac{1}{2}$	178 13	18 14	178 15
Elbow of Coral Reef ...	18 16	178 8	18 16	178 11 $\frac{1}{2}$
Elbow of Coral Reef, Naitata	18 18 $\frac{3}{4}$	178 6 $\frac{1}{4}$	18 16 $\frac{3}{4}$	178 8
Rovondrau Coral Bay ...	Not known.		18 17 $\frac{1}{4}$	178 5 $\frac{1}{2}$
Cæsar Rocks ...	Not known.		18 17	178 0 $\frac{1}{2}$
Bird Islet ...	18 20	177 58	18 20 $\frac{3}{4}$	177 58 $\frac{1}{2}$
Shark's Fin Hill ...	Not known.		18 15 $\frac{1}{2}$	178 0 $\frac{1}{2}$
Tanutha Island, N. Point	18 22 $\frac{1}{2}$	177 55	18 22 $\frac{1}{2}$	177 58 $\frac{1}{2}$
Tanutha Reefs, N. Point	18 21	177 49	18 21 $\frac{1}{2}$	177 57
Mouth of Lerua Harbour	18 15	177 50 $\frac{1}{2}$	18 17 $\frac{1}{2}$	177 55
Mouth of Vinariu Harbour	18 15	177 47 $\frac{1}{2}$	18 16 $\frac{1}{2}$	177 50 $\frac{1}{2}$
Mouth of Lovi Harbour	Not known.		18 11	177 34
Mouth of Singatoke River	18 9 $\frac{3}{4}$	177 25 $\frac{1}{2}$	18 11	177 30
Mouth of Thuvu Harbour (called Ndronga, on Chart 2691)	18 6 $\frac{1}{4}$	177 18 $\frac{1}{2}$	18 09	177 23 $\frac{3}{4}$

Longitudes depend on Obs. Spot, Courthouse, Levuka, being 178, 49, 03, East.

Corrections to Chart No. 2691.

Islands and Points, West Coast, Viti Levu.	Position assigned on Chart No. 2691.		Corrected Position.	
	Lat.	Long.	Lat.	Long.
Summit Naviti Island (Called Vaviti, Chart 2691)	deg. min. 17 06	deg. min. 177 08	deg. min. 17 6 $\frac{1}{4}$	deg. min. 177 13 $\frac{1}{4}$
S.W. extreme Virva Reef (Called Biva, Chart 2691)	17 12 $\frac{1}{2}$	176 52	17 13 $\frac{1}{4}$	176 51
Highest Peak, Waia Island	17 17 $\frac{1}{2}$	177 1 $\frac{1}{2}$	17 16 $\frac{3}{4}$	177 6 $\frac{1}{2}$
Highest Peak, Baldwin Island	17 27 $\frac{1}{4}$	176 56 $\frac{3}{4}$	17 27 $\frac{1}{4}$	177 01 $\frac{3}{4}$
Summit Malolo Island ..	17 47 $\frac{1}{4}$	177 3	17 44 $\frac{3}{4}$	177 9
Vie Tonga Point ...	17 39	177 18	17 38 $\frac{1}{2}$	177 22
White Rock ...	17 22 $\frac{1}{4}$	177 7 $\frac{3}{4}$	17 22 $\frac{1}{2}$	177 13 $\frac{1}{4}$
Koromba or Pickering Peak	17 53	177 26 $\frac{3}{4}$	17 53 $\frac{1}{2}$	177 29 $\frac{1}{4}$

Longitudes depend on Obs. Spot, Levuka being 178, 49, 03.

It appears from the above positions that islands fixed by the United States Expedition are placed too far West. Biva has probably been corrected since.

The position of Tartar Reef should not be altered with the islands, as it was probably determined independently of them.

The natives of Waia state that several reefs exist between Virva (Biva) and Waia, also between Virva and Baldwin Island, which only break in strong gales from West.

From the summit of Waia two patches were seen in the channel between Waia-lai-lai-i-thake and Knox Island, awash at low water.

From summit of Baldwin Island the sea to the westward appeared dotted with patches for a distance of three or four miles from the island. Apparently there was not less than two fathoms on any of them at low water.

OLOZENGA ROCK.

GERMAN NOTICE TO MARINERS.

Position of a Rock (Olozenge) near the Kermadec Group, West Polynesia.

ACCORDING to a report of Captain Knorr, R.N., Commander of H.M.S. "Hertha," the Captain of the schooner "Olozenge," Captain Ranzon, has given notice that, on 25th December, 1876, at about 7 p.m., he has seen breakers in about latitude $29^{\circ} 48' S.$, and longitude $177^{\circ} 18' E.$, on his voyage to Auckland. When examined it was found these breakers proceeded from a shallow rock a very little way under water. The schooner having no chronometer on board, the longitude, with regard to current drift, was as much as possible corrected after having reached the land four days after. According to this correction the rock lies in about latitude $29^{\circ} 48' S.$, and longitude $176^{\circ} 45' E.$

COPY OF NOTICE TO MARINERS RECEIVED FROM THE PRESIDENT OF THE MARINE BOARD, SOUTH AUSTRALIA.

Investigator Strait, Port Moorowie.

NOTICE is hereby given that three buoys have been placed just East of Point Gilbert, to mark the entrance to this anchorage.

The middle chequered buoy, with staff and ball, painted black and red, and cheese-shaped, is placed on a rocky patch, having little more than 4 feet 6 inches of water over it at low-water springs. This patch covers an area of about 350 feet, and lies nearly in mid-channel. Vessels working into or out of the anchorage should not approach the chequered buoy nearer than half a cable's length.

A cheese-shaped red buoy, with staff and ball, is placed at the end of a reef in about 7 feet of water at low water, bearing E. by S. half S. from the above-mentioned chequered buoy, there being a channel between the red buoy and the chequered buoy of 9 feet at low water.

A cheese-shaped black buoy, with staff and ball, has been placed in 8 feet at low water on the shoal forming the western side of the anchorage. This buoy lies nearly due West from the chequered buoy, or in line with the extreme outer end of Point Gilbert, leaving a channel between having 9 to 10 feet through at low water.

Using either of the above channels, and steering for the large store above the landing place, will lead into a pool (having a depth of not less than 3 to $3\frac{1}{2}$ fathoms at low water) capable of holding ten or twelve small vessels.

Running in from seaward the soundings gradually decrease, until not more than 9 feet exists in a line with the buoys, after passing which it will soon deepen. A convenient position for anchoring should then be taken up.

Hydrographical information furnished by Officers of H.M.S. "Sappho," 23rd July, 1877.

It is reported, on reliable authority, that the fixed White Light exhibited from a lighthouse on Cape Wanbrow, at the Port of Oamaru, said to be seen, in clear weather, about 15 nautical miles over an arc of $146^{\circ} 15'$, between N.N.W. and S. by W. from seaward, is a small light, and is not visible at a distance of 15 miles.

Information furnished by Lieutenant Nusters, Commanding Her Majesty's Schooner "Conflict."

The Kaan Islands are ten in number, in latitude $3^{\circ} 32' S.$, longitude $153^{\circ} 30' E.$; natives ferocious, naked, and armed with spears.

Man Island Chart No. 794 is incorrectly placed. The passage between Man Island and New Britain is about 5 miles wide, quite clear of danger, with the exception of one shoal nearly dry at low water, which is about 2 miles off the New Britain coast.

The following bearings, which put it on the land on Chart No. 794, show that Cape Stevens is incorrectly placed on that Chart:—

Bearings from shoal — The Mother, E.; Cape Stevens, N. $51^{\circ} E.$

A vessel of any draft could pass between it and New Britain.

Off Cape Luen there is a dangerous reef, running out a mile or so, in a northerly direction. West of the Cape is a small island, called Urare, between which and the Cape is a good passage, with three shoal patches in it close together, easily discernible from mast-head, about half a mile off a reef, in a westerly direction.

NOTICE TO MARINERS.

ENTRANCE TO MANUKAU HARBOUR.

No. 39 of 1877.

Customs Department (Marine Branch),
Wellington, 11th December, 1877.

THE following Notice to Mariners, received from the Harbourmaster at Manukau, containing sailing directions for entering the Fanny Channel, is published for general information.

G. GREY.

THE South Head beacons are now adjusted in line, to lead the course of the Fanny Channel from sea, bearing N.E. by N. by compass. Care must be observed, when drawing near the Tranmere Shoal, not to open the South Head beacon southward, and to pay attention to the pointing of the semaphore arms for other guidance.

T. WING,
Harbourmaster.
Manukau Heads,
10th December, 1877.

Interpreter appointed.

Native Office,
Wellington, 12th December, 1877.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint

JOHN BROOKING, of Gisborne,
to be an Interpreter under the 12th section of "The Native Land Act, 1873."

JOHN SHEEHAN.

Alterations and Additions to the Rates for the Conveyance, Delivery, and Storage of Goods, Parcels, &c., on all the New Zealand Railways.

IN accordance with the By-laws for the New Zealand Railways, fixed by Order in Council, dated the 17th day of April, 1877, the following alterations and additions to the rates for the conveyance, delivery, and storage of goods, parcels, &c., on all the New Zealand Railways, are hereby declared to be fixed, and shall come into force on and from the first day of January, 1878.

All previous rates applying to Class F are hereby cancelled.

CLASS F.—MINERALS (Owners' risk).

- Bones.
- Bricks.
- Clay.
- Coal.
- Coal Dross.
- Coke (double rates).
- Copper Ore.
- Drain Pipes and Tiles.
- Flagging.
- Granite, rough.
- Gravel.
- Iron Ore.
- Limestone.
- Lime, in bulk.
- Manures, animal.
- Marble, in rough blocks.
- Pyrites.
- Quartz and Quartz Tailings.
- Road Metal.
- Sand.
- Ships' Ballast.
- Stone, rough.

Twopence (2d.) per ton per mile for each mile up to 50 miles; one penny halfpenny (1½d.) per ton per mile for each additional mile. Minimum charge per ton for coals for distance of 3 miles and under, one shilling and sixpence (1s. 6d.); for distances over 3 miles and not exceeding 15 miles, two shillings and sixpence (2s. 6d.). Minimum charge per ton on other minerals, one shilling and threepence (1s. 3d.). Minimum charge as for four tons. Small lots of two tons and under, if in packages or bags, may be carried as Class D.

Owner loads and unloads. For each loading or unloading done by the Railway Department, one shilling (1s.) per ton will be charged.

POSTS AND RAILS, FIREWOOD, SPLIT HOUSE BLOCKS (Owners' risk).

Tenpence (10d.) per truck per mile for each mile up to 50 miles; sevenpence halfpenny (7½d.) per truck per mile for each additional mile. Minimum charge, six shillings (6s.) per truck; full truck charged for. Owner loads and unloads. For each loading and unloading done by the department, five shillings (5s.) per truck will be charged. Small lots not exceeding two tons may be carried as Class D.

The minimum charge on returned empties which have passed on the line full to be 3d., where not otherwise specially mentioned.

Ships' goods of Classes A, B, C, D, to be carried on the Picton and Blenheim Railway, as Class B.

Goods of Classes A, B, C, D, booked between Lyttelton and Christchurch, will be charged at five shillings and sixpence (5s. 6d.) per ton. In all other cases, goods of Classes A, B, C, D, conveyed over the Lyttelton to Christchurch line, will be carried thereon as Class B. Ships' goods carried according to bill of lading; other goods by weight or measurement, as the Manager directs.

Goods of Classes A, B, C, D, booked between the Bluff and Invercargill, will be charged at nine shillings and fourpence (9s. 4d.) per ton. In all other cases, goods of Classes A, B, C, D, conveyed over the Bluff to Invercargill line, will be carried thereon as Class B. Ships' goods carried according to bill of lading; other goods by weight or measurement, as the Manager directs.

Previous rates on wool are hereby cancelled.

WOOL.

Undumped, one penny (1d.) per bale per mile for each bale not exceeding 4 cwts.; one farthing (¼d.) per mile extra for

bales exceeding 4 cwts. Minimum, one shilling (1s.) per bale. Double-dumped wool, one penny three farthings (1¾d.) per bale for each bale not exceeding 8 cwts.; one farthing (¼d.) per mile extra for bales exceeding 8 cwts. Minimum, one shilling and sixpence (1s. 6d.) per bale.

For distances after 50 and up to 100 miles the rate on undumped to be diminished one-eighth of a penny (⅛d.), and on double-dumped one farthing (¼d.) per mile.

For distances after 100 miles the rate on undumped to be further diminished one-eighth of a penny (⅛d.), and on double-dumped one farthing (¼d.) per bale per mile.

Owner loads and unloads.

For each loading or unloading done by the Railway Department, threepence halfpenny (3½d.) per bale for undumped, and sixpence (6d.) per bale for double-dumped, will be charged.

PARCELS SPECIAL RATE.—MILK (Owners' risk).

Owner to take all responsibility of loading and unloading.

Three farthings (¾d.) per gallon for all distances up to 10 miles; for each additional 10 miles or fraction thereof, one farthing (¼d.) per gallon. Minimum charge, ninepence (9d.). Returned empties, free.

TIMBER.

Mileage rates computing to the fraction of a penny, when the fraction is one halfpenny or over, the next highest penny will be charged; when less than one halfpenny, the next lowest penny will be charged.

Dated at Wellington, this 12th day of December, 1877.

G. S. WHITMORE,
Minister acting for Minister for Public Works.

Rates for Wool, Lawrence and Waitahuna to Dunedin.

IN accordance with the By-laws for the New Zealand Railways, fixed by Order in Council dated the 17th day of April, 1877, the following alterations and additions to the rates for the conveyance, delivery, and storage of goods, parcels, &c., on all the New Zealand Railways are hereby declared to be fixed, and shall come into force on and after this date.

The rate for the conveyance of wool from Waitahuna and Lawrence Stations to Dunedin Station to be three shillings and eleven pence (3s. 11d.) per bale of 4 cwt.

Dated at Wellington this 13th day of December, 1877.

W. J. M. LARNACH,
Minister for Public Works.

Traffic Returns.

NEW ZEALAND RAILWAYS.—Traffic Returns for the Four Weeks ending 17th November, 1877:—

		KAIPARA SECTION.	
		1877.	Corresponding Four Weeks 1876.
		No.	No.
PASSENGERS,—			
1st Class	...	185	105
2nd Class	...	394	369
Total...	...	579	474
GOODS,—			
		Tons cwt. qr.	Tons cwt. qr.
Wool	...	2 0 0	...
Sawn Timber	...	54 0 0	96 0 0
Grain	...	5 0 0	...
Merchandise	...	356 0 0	264 0 0
Minerals	...	...	...
Total	...	417 0 0	360 0 0
LIVE STOCK,—			
		No.	No.
Horses and Cattle	...	...	...
Sheep, Pigs, &c.	...	27	...
Total...	...	27	...
RECEIPTS,—			
		£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Passengers, Parcels, &c. ....	...	85 10 7	73 16 8
Goods and Live Stock	...	144 7 0	117 16 6
Total...	...	£229 17 7	£191 13 2
Wharf Dues...	...	38 0 1	40 11 0
Total Revenue	...	£267 17 8	£232 4 2

AUCKLAND SECTION.				
	1877.		1876.	
PASSENGERS,—	No.		No.	
1st Class ...	1,257		1,716	
2nd Class ...	9,521		9,056	
Total...	10,778		10,772	
GOODS,—	Tons cwt. qr.		Tons cwt. qr.	
Wool ...	28	0 0	...	...
Sawn Timber ...	187	0 0	872	0 0
Grain ...	127	0 0	...	...
Merchandise ...	2,028	0 0	1,179	0 0
Minerals ...	2,070	0 0	...	...
Total...	4,440	0 0	2,051	0 0
LIVE STOCK,—	No.		No.	
Horses and Cattle ...	81		13	
Sheep, Pigs, &c. ...	1,038		420	
Total...	1,119		433	
RECEIPTS,—	£ s. d.		£ s. d.	
Passengers, Parcels, &c. ...	1,473	3 5	1,037	15 10
Goods and Live Stock ...	1,355	19 5	795	15 6
Total...	£2,829	2 10	£1,833	11 4
Wharf Dues ...	64	3 4	...	...
Total Revenue ...	£2,893	6 2	£1,833	11 4

NAPIER SECTION.				
	No.		No.	
PASSENGERS,—				
1st Class ...	1,135		1,047	
2nd Class ...	3,927		2,926	
Total...	5,062		3,973	
GOODS,—	Tons cwt. qr.		Tons cwt. qr.	
Wool ...	693	0 0	...	...
Sawn Timber ...	499	0 0	332	0 0
Grain ...	89	0 0	...	...
Merchandise ...	593	0 0	1,181	0 0
Minerals ...	694	0 0	...	...
Total...	2,568	0 0	1,513	0 0
LIVE STOCK,—	No.		No.	
Horses and Cattle ...	17		11	
Sheep, Pigs, &c. ...	153		221	
Total...	170		232	
RECEIPTS,—	£ s. d.		£ s. d.	
Passengers, Parcels, &c. ...	784	0 1	686	7 6
Goods and Live Stock ...	1,036	8 0	750	9 4
Total Revenue ...	£1,820	8 1	£1,436	16 10

WELLINGTON SECTION.				
	No.		No.	
PASSENGERS,—				
1st Class ...	1,781		1,910	
2nd Class ...	6,086		5,221	
Total...	7,867		7,131	
GOODS,—	Tons cwt. qr.		Tons cwt. qr.	
Wool ...	24	0 0	...	...
Sawn Timber ...	285	0 0	216	0 0
Grain ...	...	...	...	...
Merchandise ...	437	0 0	517	0 0
Minerals ...	2,664	0 0	...	...
Total...	3,410	0 0	733	0 0
LIVE STOCK,—	No.		No.	
Horses and Cattle ...	10		7	
Sheep, Pigs, &c. ...	34		96	
Total...	44		103	
RECEIPTS,—	£ s. d.		£ s. d.	
Passengers, Parcels, &c. ...	663	14 6	754	7 3
Goods and Live Stock ...	453	8 2	220	12 6
Total Revenue ...	£1,117	2 8	£974	19 9

FOXTON SECTION.				
	1877.		1876.	
PASSENGERS,—	No.		No.	
1st Class ...	234		97	
2nd Class ...	832		993	
Total...	1,066		1,090	
GOODS,—	Tons cwt. qr.		Tons cwt. qr.	
Wool ...	25	0 0	...	...
Sawn Timber ...	652	0 0	311	0 0
Grain ...	32	0 0	...	...
Merchandise ...	205	0 0	231	0 0
Minerals ...	460	0 0	...	...
Total...	1,374	0 0	542	0 0
LIVE STOCK,—	No.		No.	
Horses and Cattle ...	23		...	...
Sheep, Pigs, &c. ...	...		...	...
Total...	23		...	...
RECEIPTS,—	£ s. d.		£ s. d.	
Passengers, Parcels, &c. ...	205	4 4	243	17 7
Goods and Live Stock ...	559	5 5	340	15 5
Total...	£764	9 9	£589	13 0
Wharf Dues ...	100	9 7	72	9 8
Total Revenue ...	£864	19 4	662	2 8

WANGANUI SECTION.				
	No.		No.	
PASSENGERS,—				
1st Class ...	125		...	...
2nd Class ...	521		...	...
Total...	646		...	...
GOODS,—	Tons cwt. qr.		Tons cwt. qr.	
Wool ...	10	0 0	...	...
Sawn Timber ...	38	0 0	...	...
Grain ...	4	0 0	...	...
Merchandise ...	70	0 0	...	...
Minerals ...	214	0 0	...	...
Total...	336	0 0	...	...
LIVE STOCK,—	No.		No.	
Horses and Cattle ...	9		...	...
Sheep, Pigs, &c. ...	...		...	...
Total...	9		...	...
RECEIPTS,—	£ s. d.		£ s. d.	
Passengers, Parcels, &c. ...	85	4 3	...	...
Goods and Live Stock ...	61	7 11	...	...
Total Revenue ...	£146	12 2	...	...

NEW PLYMOUTH SECTION.				
	No.		No.	
PASSENGERS,—				
1st Class ...	100		98	
2nd Class ...	1,096		902	
Total...	1,196		1,000	
GOODS,—	Tons cwt. qr.		Tons cwt. qr.	
Wool ...	...	...	...	...
Sawn Timber ...	114	0 0	12	0 0
Grain ...	6	0 0	...	...
Merchandise ...	84	0 0	262	0 0
Minerals ...	84	0 0	...	...
Total...	288	0 0	274	0 0
LIVE STOCK,—	No.		No.	
Horses and Cattle ...	...		...	...
Sheep, Pigs, &c. ...	5		20	
Total...	5		20	

NEW PLYMOUTH SECTION—continued.

	1877.			1876.		
	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
RECEIPTS,—						
Passengers, Parcels, &c....	125	1	6	114	16	1
Goods and Live Stock ...	136	0	10	83	14	11
Total...	£261	2	4	£198	11	0
Wharf Dues...	6	12	5	20	7	6
Total Revenue ...	£267	14	9	£218	18	6

GREYMOUTH SECTION.

	1877.			1876.		
	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
PASSENGERS,—						
1st Class ...	247			518		
2nd Class ...	1,748			990		
Total...	1,995			1,508		
GOODS,—						
Tons cwt. qr.						
Wool ...	124	0	0	95	0	0
Sawn Timber ...	81	0	0	...	...	...
Grain ...	144	0	0	1,808	0	0
Merchandise ...	1,599	0	0	...	...	...
Minerals ...	1,948	0	0	1,903	0	0
Total...	1,948	0	0	1,903	0	0
LIVE STOCK,—						
No.				No.		
Horses and Cattle ...	...			3		
Sheep, Pigs, &c. ...	1			...		
Total...	1			3		
RECEIPTS,—						
£ s. d.				£ s. d.		
Passengers, Parcels, &c. ...	120	5	4	178	8	8
Goods and Live Stock ...	288	13	2	233	8	2
Total...	£408	18	6	£411	16	10
Wharf Dues...	213	1	8	271	18	7
Total Revenue ...	£622	0	2	£683	15	5

WESTPORT SECTION.

	1877.			1876.		
	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
PASSENGERS,—						
No.				No.		
1st Class ...	52			...		
2nd Class ...	213			416		
Total	265			416		
GOODS,—						
Tons cwt. qr.				Tons cwt. qr.		
Wool ...	4	0	0	7	0	0
Sawn Timber ...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Grain ...	33	0	0	20	0	0
Merchandise ...	581	0	0	...	...	...
Minerals ...	618	0	0	27	0	0
Total...	618	0	0	27	0	0
LIVE STOCK,—						
No.				No.		
Horses and Cattle ...	...			...
Sheep, Pigs, &c. ...	...			...
Total...	...			...
RECEIPTS,—						
£ s. d.				£ s. d.		
Passengers, Parcels, &c. ...	23	12	8	59	13	0
Goods and Live Stock ...	41	7	4	18	16	3
Total Revenue ...	£65	0	0	£78	9	3

NELSON SECTION.

	1877.			1876.		
	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
PASSENGERS,—						
No.				No.		
1st Class ...	1,115			902		
2nd Class ...	2,649			2,205		
Total...	3,764			3,107		

	1877.			1876.		
	Tons	cwt.	qr.	Tons	cwt.	qr.
GOODS,—						
Wool ...	8	0	0	...	...	...
Sawn Timber ...	212	0	0	78	0	0
Grain ...	4	0	0	...	...	...
Merchandise ...	113	0	0	399	0	0
Minerals ...	490	0	0	...	...	...
Total...	827	0	0	477	0	0

	1877.		1876.	
	No.		No.	
LIVE STOCK,—				
Horses and Cattle ...	3		...	
Sheep, Pigs, &c. ...	8		40	
Total...	11		40	

	1877.			1876.		
	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
RECEIPTS,—						
Passengers, Parcels, &c. ...	368	18	5	431	1	5
Goods and Live Stock ...	146	1	4	153	15	3
Total Revenue ...	£514	19	9	£584	16	8

PICTON SECTION.

	1877.			1876.		
	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
PASSENGERS,—						
No.				No.		
1st Class ...	194			276		
2nd Class ...	1,354			1,134		
Total...	1,548			1,410		
GOODS,—						
Tons cwt. qr.				Tons cwt. qr.		
Wool ...	551	0	0	701	0	0
Sawn Timber ...	11	0	0	...	...	...
Grain ...	53	0	0	223	0	0
Merchandise ...	211	0	0	...	...	...
Minerals ...	826	0	0	924	0	0
Total...	826	0	0	924	0	0
LIVE STOCK,—						
No.				No.		
Horses and Cattle ...	3			...		
Sheep, Pigs, &c. ...	124			...		
Total...	127			...		
RECEIPTS,—						
£ s. d.				£ s. d.		
Passengers, Parcels, &c., ...	152	12	4	171	11	9
Goods and Live Stock ...	151	6	1	218	11	9
Total...	£303	18	5	£390	3	6
Wharf Dues...	52	18	3	64	4	11
Total Revenue ...	£356	16	8	£454	8	5

CHRISTCHURCH SECTION.†

	1877.			1876.		
	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
PASSENGERS,—						
No.				No.		
1st Class ...	13,712			25,375		
2nd Class ...	43,537			59,479		
Total...	57,249			84,854*		
GOODS,—						
Tons cwt. qr.				Tons cwt. qr.		
Wool ...	1,050	0	0	1,235	0	0
Sawn Timber ...	5,253	0	0	5,936	0	0
Grain ...	3,786	0	0	2,936	0	0
Merchandise ...	7,769	0	0	10,718	0	0
Minerals ...	7,592	0	0	4,686	0	0
Total...	25,450	0	0	25,511	0	0
LIVE STOCK,—						
No.				No.		
Horses and Cattle ...	582			...		
Sheep, Pigs, &c. ...	5,951			...		
Total	6,533			1,015		
RECEIPTS,—						
£ s. d.				£ s. d.		
Passengers, Parcels, &c. ...	10,602	19	4	8,172	9	7
Goods and Live Stock ...	9,966	7	1	10,026	5	5
Total Revenue ...	£20,569	6	5	£18,198	15	0

DUNEDIN SECTION.†					
1877.			1876.		
No.			No.		
PASSENGERS,—					
1st Class	...	5,855	...	...	...
2nd Class	...	21,631	...	...	...
Total...	...	27,486	...	23,966	...
GOODS,—					
	Tons	cwt.	qr.	Tons	cwt. qr.
Wool	186	0	0	...	...
Sawn Timber	891	0	0	...	...
Grain	891	0	0	...	...
Merchandise	3,741	0	0	...	...
Minerals	5,695	0	0	...	...
Total...	11,404	0	0	10,339	0 0
LIVE STOCK,—					
	No.		No.		
Horses and Cattle	...	115	...	...	...
Sheep, Pigs, &c.	...	1,695	...	...	...
Total	...	1,810	...	...	...
RECEIPTS,—					
	£	s.	d.	£	s. d.
Passengers, Parcels, &c.	3,575	10	7	3,292	18 0
Goods and Live Stock	2,709	14	10	3,202	6 1
Total Revenue	£6,285	5	5	£6,495	4 1

INVERCARGILL SECTION.†					
No.			No.		
PASSENGERS,—					
1st Class	...	1,132	...	...	...
2nd Class	...	6,143	...	...	...
Total...	...	7,275	...	6,248	...
GOODS,—					
	Tons	cwt.	qr.	Tons	cwt. qr.
Wool	100	0	0	...	...
Sawn Timber	1,311	0	0	...	...
Grain	445	0	0	...	...
Merchandise	1,512	0	0	...	...
Minerals	1,123	0	0	...	...
Total...	4,491	0	0	5,344	0 0
LIVE STOCK,—					
	No.		No.		
Horses and Cattle	...	26	...	...	...
Sheep, Pigs, &c.	...	474	...	...	...
Total...	...	500	...	...	...
RECEIPTS,—					
	£	s.	d.	£	s. d.
Passengers, Parcels, &c.	1,397	6	9	1,062	5 3
Goods and Live Stock	1,641	2	5	2,288	16 0
Total Revenue	£3,038	9	2	£3,351	1 3

JOHN CARRUTHERS,
Engineer-in-Chief.

* The apparent excess in 1876 is due to the fact that return tickets and all Saturday tickets were counted as two passengers.
† Average taken for four weeks, 1876.

Medical Referee appointed.

Government Insurance Office,
Wellington, 11th December, 1877.

THE under-mentioned gentleman has been appointed a Medical Referee, under "The Government Insurance and Annuities Act, 1874," at Newtown, Wellington:—

ALFRED BULLOCK WATTS, Esq., L.S.A., London.
J. WOODWARD,
Deputy Commissioner.

Telegraph Notice.

Telegraph Office,
Wellington, 1st December, 1877.

THE following list of Telegraph Stations open to date is published for general information.
By order of the Telegraph Commissioner.

C. LEMON,
General Manager.

Abbotsford, *Taieri*.
Ahaura, *Grey*.
Akaroa, *Akaroa*.
Alexandra, *Waipa*.
Alexandra, *Vincent*.
Amberley, *Ashley*.
Arrow, *Lake*.
Ashburton, *Ashburton*.
*Auckland, *Eden*.
Balclutha, *Clutha*.
Bealey, *Selwyn*.
Blenheim, *Marlborough*.
Blueskin, *Waikouaiti*.
*Bluff, *Southland*.
Bull's, *Rangitikei*.
Burnham, *Selwyn*.
Cambridge, *Waikato*.
Carterton, *Wairarapa West*.
Castlepoint, *Wairarapa East*.
Caversham, *Taieri*.
Charleston, *Buller*.
Cheviot, *Cheviot*.
*Christchurch, *Selwyn*.
Clinton, *Clutha*.
Clyde, *Vincent*.
Coalgate, *Selwyn*.
Coromandel, *Coromandel*.
Cromwell, *Vincent*.
Cust, *Ashley*.
Drury, *Manukau*.
*Dunedin, *Taieri*.
Dunedin North, *Taieri*.
Dunedin Railway Station, *Taieri*.
Dunsandel, *Selwyn*.
Edendale, *Southland*.
Elbow, *Southland*.
Farndon, *Hawke's Bay*.
Featherston, *Wairarapa West*.
Feilding, *Manawatu*.
Foxhill, *Waimea*.
Foxton, *Manawatu*.
Geraldine, *Geraldine*.
Gisborne, *Cook*.
Gore, *Southland*.
Government Buildings (Wellington), *Hutt*.
*Grahamstown, *Thames*.
Greymouth, *Grey*.
Greytown, *Wairarapa West*.
Hamilton, *Waikato*.
Hampden, *Waitaki*.
Hastings, *Hawke's Bay*.
Hastings, *Thames*.
Havelock, *Marlborough*.
Hawera, *Patea*.
Helensville, *Waitemata*.
Herbert, *Waitaki*.
Hokianga, *Hokianga*.
Hokitika, *Westland*.
Horndon Junction, *Selwyn*.
Hurunui, *Ashley*.
Hutt, *Hutt*.
*Invercargill, *Southland*.
Kaiapoi, *Ashley*.
Kaikoura, *Kaikoura*.
Kaitangata, *Bruce*.
Kakanui, *Waitaki*.
Katikati, *Tauranga*.
Kawakawa, *Bay of Islands*.
Kekerangu, *Marlborough*.
Kumara, *Westland*.
Lawrence, *Tuapeka*.
Leithfield, *Ashley*.
Longbush, *Southland*.
Lyell, *Buller*.
*Lyttelton, *Selwyn*.
Maketu, *Tauranga*.

Malvern, *Selwyn*.
 Manuka Creek, *Tuapeka*.
 Manukau Heads, *Manukau*.
 Manutahi, *Patea*.
 Marton, *Rangitikei*.
 Masterton, *Wairarapa West*.
 Mataura, *Southland*.
 Mercer, *Waikato*.
 Mohaka, *Wairoa*.
 Mongonui, *Mongonui*.
 Mosgiel, *Taieri*.
 Motueka, *Waimea*.
 *Napier, *Hawke's Bay*.
 Naseby, *Maniototo*.
 *Nelson, *Waimea*.
 Newcastle, *Waikato*.
 Newmarket, *Eden*.
 *New Plymouth, *Taranaki*.
 Oamaru, *Waitaki*.
 Ohaeawai, *Bay of Islands*.
 Onehunga, *Eden*.
 Ophir, *Vincent*.
 Opotiki, *Whakatane*.
 Opunake, *Taranaki*.
 Orari, *Selwyn*.
 Oreti, *Southland*.
 Otago Heads, *Peninsula*.
 Otahuhu, *Manukau*.
 Otaki, *Manawatu*.
 Outram, *Taieri*.
 Oxford, *Ashley*.
 Palmerston, *Waikouaiti*.
 Palmerston North, *Manawatu*.
 Patea, *Patea*.
 Picton, *Marlborough*.
 Porangahau, *Waipawa*.
 *Port Chalmers, *Waikouaiti*.
 Pukorokoro, *Thames*.
 Queenstown, *Lake*.
 Rakaia, *Ashburton*.
 Rangiora, *Ashley*.
 Rangitata North, *Ashburton*.
 Reefton, *Inangahua*.
 Richmond, *Waimea*.
 Riverhead, *Waitemata*.
 Riverton, *Wallace*.
 Rolleston, *Selwyn*.
 Ross, *Westland*.
 Rotorua, *Tauranga*.
 Roxburgh, *Tuapeka*.
 Russell, *Bay of Islands*.
 Sanson, *Manawatu*.
 Sheffield, *Selwyn*.
 Southbride, *Selwyn*.
 Southbridge Junction, *Selwyn*.
 Spit, *Hawke's Bay*.
 Springston, *Selwyn*.
 St. Bathans, *Maniototo*.
 Stirling, *Bruce*.
 Tapanui, *Tuapeka*.
 Tarawera, *Wairoa*.
 Taupo, *East Taupo*.
 Tauranga, *Tauranga*.
 Te Awamutu, *Waipa*.
 Temuka, *Geraldine*.
 Timaru, *Geraldine*.
 Tokatea, *Coromandel*.
 Tokomairiro, *Bruce*.
 Top House, *Marlborough*.
 Turakina, *Rangitikei*.
 Upper Hutt, *Hutt*.
 Waiau, *Amuri*.
 Waihoia, *Bruce*.
 Waikaia, *Southland*.
 Waikouaiti, *Waikouaiti*.
 Waimate, *Waimate*.
 Waimate Junction, *Waimate*.

Wainui, *Waipawa*.
 Waipawa, *Waipawa*.
 Waipu, *Whangarei*.
 Waipukurau, *Waipawa*.
 Wairoa, *Wairoa*.
 Waitahuna, *Tuapeka*.
 Waitaki, *Waitaki*.
 Waitotara, *Wanganui*.
 Waiuku, *Manukau*.
 Waiwera, *Rodney*.
 Wakapuaka, *Waimea*.
 Wanganui, *Wanganui*.
 Warkworth, *Rodney*.
 Washdyke, *Geraldine*.
 Waverley, *Patea*.
 *Wellington, *Hutt*.
 Westport, *Buller*.
 Whangarei, *Whangarei*.
 Whangaroa, *Mongonui*.
 *White's Bay, *Sounds*.
 Winton, *Southland*.

* The Stations marked with an asterisk are open from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m.; all others from 9 a.m. till 5 p.m., except Onehunga, which opens at 8 a.m. and closes at 5 p.m.; and Government Buildings, which opens at 10 a.m. and closes at 4.30 p.m., except on Saturdays, when it closes at 2 p.m.; this Station is also closed on Sundays.

In addition to the ordinary hours, the following Stations are open during the hours specified opposite the name of each:—

Blenheim—From 7 p.m. till 8 p.m. daily, Sundays and Holidays excepted.

Greymouth—From 7.30 p.m. till 8 p.m. daily, Sundays and Holidays excepted.

Hamilton—From 7.30 p.m. till 8 p.m., every Monday, Wednesday, and Friday.

Hokitika—From 7.30 p.m. till 8 p.m. daily, Sundays and Holidays excepted.

Kumara—From 7.30 p.m. till 8 p.m. daily, Sundays and Holidays excepted.

Oamaru—From 7 p.m. till 8 p.m. daily, Sundays and Holidays excepted.

Reefton—From 7.30 p.m. till 8 p.m. daily, Sundays and Holidays excepted.

Ross—From 7.30 p.m. till 8 p.m. daily, Sundays and Holidays excepted.

Timaru—From 7 p.m. till 8 p.m. daily, Sundays and Holidays excepted.

Wanganui—From 7 p.m. till 8 p.m. daily, Sundays and Holidays excepted.

Westport—From 7.30 p.m. till 8 p.m. daily, Sundays and Holidays excepted.

For Press Purposes.

Akaroa—From 7.30 p.m. till 8 p.m. every Monday and Thursday.

Arrow—From 7 p.m. till 7.30 p.m. every Tuesday.

Ashburton—From 7.30 p.m. till 8 p.m. every Monday and Thursday.

Balclutha—From 7.30 p.m. till 8 p.m. every Thursday.

Gisborne—From 7 p.m. till 7.30 p.m. every Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, and Saturday.

Greytown—From 7 p.m. till 7.30 p.m. every Monday, Wednesday, and Friday.

Lawrence—From 6 p.m. till 6.30 p.m. every Tuesday and Friday.

Maketu—From 7 p.m. till 7.30 p.m. every Tuesday and Friday.

Marton—From 7 p.m. till 7.30 p.m. every Wednesday and Saturday.

Naseby—From 7.30 p.m. till 8 p.m. every Friday.

Opotiki—From 7 p.m. till 7.30 p.m. every Tuesday and Friday.

Palmerston North—From 7.30 p.m. till 8 p.m. every Tuesday and Friday.

Palmerston, Waikouaiti—From 7 p.m. till 8 p.m. every Tuesday.

Patea—From 7 p.m. till 8 p.m. every Tuesday and Friday.

Picton—From 5 p.m. till 5.30 p.m. every Thursday.

Riverton—From 7 p.m. till 8 p.m. every Friday.

Tauranga—From 7 p.m. till 7.30 p.m. every Tuesday and Friday.

Temuka—From 7.30 p.m. till 8 p.m. every Tuesday and Friday.

Tokomairiro—At 7.45 p.m. every Monday and Thursday.

Waimate—From 7 p.m. till 7.30 p.m. every Tuesday and Friday.

Waikouaiti—From 7.30 p.m. till 8 p.m. every Tuesday.

Wairoa—From 7 p.m. till 7.30 p.m. every Monday and Thursday.

Whangarei—From 7.30 p.m. till 8 p.m. every Tuesday.

N.B.—On Sundays and Public Holidays the office hours are from 10 a.m. till 10.30 a.m., and from 5 p.m. till 5.30 p.m.

Sheep Inspector's Notice.

Crown Lands Office,
Wellington, 7th December, 1877.

THE Inspector for the Rangitikei District reports that the sheep on which assessment has been paid this year number 241,369, being an increase on last year of 39,676; the amount of assessment, £502 17s. 0½d., being an increase of £82 13s. 2d. over last year's receipts. In two flocks, viz., Messrs. Owen and Lethbridge's and Mr. Alex. Simpson's, scab is reported, but only to a limited extent.

Jos. G. HOLDSWORTH,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

WILLIAM GOODALL, DECEASED.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS.

NOTICE is hereby given to all creditors and other persons having claims against the Estate of WILLIAM GOODALL, late of Wellington, in the Colony of New Zealand, and formerly of Cape Town, in Cape Colony, to send in writing the particulars of their claims to the undersigned HENRY SAMUEL FITZHERBERT, the solicitor of HENRY WILLIAM DIVER, the Executor of the Will of the said William Goodall, deceased, at the office of Barton and Fitzherbert, Brandon Street, Wellington, before the 1st day of March, 1878. And notice is hereby further given, that after that date the said Henry William Diver will distribute the assets of the said William Goodall amongst such creditors and other parties entitled thereto of whose claims the said Henry William Diver shall then have notice.

Dated this 30th day of November, 1877.

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H. S. FITZHERBERT,
Solicitor for the Executor.

PUBLIC NOTICE.

HAVING this day purchased the entire interests of Mr. W. E. McDougall, in the business as previously carried on by Messrs. Banks and McDougall, and Messrs. McDougall and Co., all business accounts owing to and by the above Firms will be received and disbursed by Mr. E. H. Banks, who will carry on the business on his own behalf.

E. H. BANKS.
BANKS AND McDUGALL.
McDOUGALL AND CO.

Dated 6th December, 1877.

Witness—G. E. DALTON.

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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 month after the date of the *Gazette* containing this notice.

3199. GEORGE KEARNEY.—29 perches, part of Section 32, Akaroa Town. Occupied by Applicant.

3304. WILLIAM NEIGHBOURS.—7 perches or thereabouts, part of Rural Section 69, Christchurch District. Occupied by Mary Ann Handisides.

3314. JOSEPH MABERLY the Younger.—1 acre, part of Rural Section 5725, Waitangi District (Lots 4 and 5, Plan 138). Occupied by Applicant.

3328. DONALD CAMERON and DUNCAN CAMERON.—27 acres, Rural Section 1386, Ashley District. Occupied by Applicants.

3331. WILLIAM MANCHESTER.—30 acres, Rural Section 10215, Waitangi District. Occupied by Applicant.

3333. JOHN CHARLES McDOWALL.—17 perches, part of Rural Section 154, Christchurch District (Lot 6A Plan 109). Occupied by Henry Pearce.

3334. FRANCIS IRVING.—20 acres, Rural Section 4104, Waitangi District. Occupied by Joseph Martin Gilchrist.

3335. JOHN MANCHESTER and GEORGE MANCHESTER.—1 acre 15 perches, part of Rural Section 2521, Waitangi District. Occupied by Applicants.

3336. CANTERBURY AND OTAGO ASSOCIATION (Limited).—7 acres 26 perches, part of Rural Section 3274, Timaru District. Occupied partly by the Crown, and partly by Applicants.

Diagrams may be inspected at this office.

Dated this 8th day of December, 1877, at the Lands Registry Office, Christchurch.

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R. W. D'OLY,
District Land Registrar.

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HENRY McCULLOCH, MICHAEL ELLIOT, FREDERICK JAMES HICKLING, and EMILY WEBSTER (Trustees under the Will of the late George Webster), and RICHARD GIBBS.—20 acres, Section 251, Hokonui District. Occupied by Cuthbert Cowan. No. 1067.

PETER DALRYMPLE.—34 perches, Section 3, Block II., Township of Appleby. Occupied by James Simmonds. No. 1068.

PETER McKELLAR.—242 acres 2 roods, parts of Sections 108, and 30 acres, Section 131, Hokonui District. Occupied by Applicant. No. 1069.

WILLIAM JOHN MOFFETT.—8 perches, Allotments 3 and 4 of Section 18 on Subdivision of Sections 4, 5, 18, and 19, Block VIII., Town of Invercargill. Unoccupied. No. 1070.

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Dated this 8th day of December, 1877, at the Lands Registry Office, Invercargill.

C. M. HENNING,
District Land Registrar.

Return from Cattle Inspector.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Wellington, 13th December, 1877.

THE following Return, received from the Cattle Inspector for the Provincial District of Canterbury, is published for general information.

G. S. WHITMORE.

RETURN of CATTLE arrived from FOREIGN PORTS into the PORT of LYTTELTON, CANTERBURY, and landed at LYTTELTON from 1st APRIL, 1877, to 31st OCTOBER, 1877.

Date of Arrival and Inspection.	Name of Ship.	Where from.	Number and Description of Cattle.	Name of Owner.	Condition.
April 16 ...	"Opawa" ...	London ...	5 thoroughbred mares ...	Middle Park Stud Company, Riccarton, Christchurch	Fair.
May 19 ...	"Tararua" ...	Melbourne ...	5 merino ewes ...	Mr. Hawkins ...	Good.
May 29 ...	"Arawata" ...	Melbourne ...	2 Brittany heifers, 1 bull ...	Mr. Wilkin ...	"
September 1 ...	"Wakatipu" ...	Sydney ...	2 thoroughbred entires ...	Mr. Mackay ...	"
" 19 ...	"Arawata" ...	Melbourne ...	93 merino ewes ...	Clogstoun and Walker	"
" 19 ...	"Arawata" ...	Melbourne ...	22 merino rams ...	Rutherford ...	"
" 19 ...	"Arawata" ...	Melbourne ...	11 merino rams ...	White, Holmes, and Co.	"
" 19 ...	"Arawata" ...	Melbourne ...	2 merino rams ...	Brown and Allen ...	"

None landed in October. Inter-provincial cattle inspected, none.

THOMAS HILL, M.R.C.V.S., Lon.

RETURN of LANDS SOLD and DEPOSITS RECEIVED in the Provincial District of WELLINGTON, from the 1st to the 31st of November, 1877.

District.	Purchaser or Applicant.	Land Selected or Applied for.	Contents.	Payment.		Remarks.
				Cash.	Scrip.	
Wellington East Coast	H. J. Underwood	Section No. 49, Upper Mongaroa Block	A. B. P. 40 0 0	£ s. d. 40 0 0	£. s. d. ...	
	Edwin Meredith ...	Remainder of Sections 813 and 853, Whareama Block	141 0 0	58 0 0	...	
Waitotara	Richard J. Barton	Pastoral Section No. 190, Awhea Block	832 0 0	312 0 0	...	
	W. W. Johnston ...	" " 177, Akitio "	721 0 0	270 7 6	...	
Wanganui	David Peat ...	Remainder of Section No. 44	24 0 0	12 0 0	...	
	John Roscoe ...	Pastoral Section No. 372, Left Bank ...	200 0 0	70 0 0	...	
Manawatu	James Lomax ...	" " 276, "	176 0 0	61 12 0	...	
	Benjamin Smith ...	Rural " 179, Sandon ...	355 0 0	355 0 0	...	
	Charles P. Powles	" " 177, "	349 0 0	349 0 0	...	
	Henry Mace and another	" " 167 and 169, Sandon	500 0 0	500 0 0	...	
	John T. James ...	Rural " 185 Sandon ...	235 0 0	235 0 0	...	
	Charles P. Powles	Town " 215 and 216, Palmerston	1 2 0	120 0 0	...	
	S. J. Igglesden ...	Town Section No. 730, Palmerston ...	0 2 0	25 0 0	...	
	James Donnelly ...	Rural " 543, "	...	19 12 0	...	Deferred payments.
	W. H. R. Flyger and another	" " 423 and 425, Palmerston	...	55 10 0	...	"
	Caleb Whitehead	Rural Section 536, Palmerston ...	...	30 0 0	...	"
	Robert William Bishop	" " 48, Sandon ...	...	54 12 0	...	"
	John Henson ...	" " 47, "	...	53 0 0	...	"
James H. Speedy	" " 45, "	...	67 0 0	...	"	
David Speedy ...	" " 46, "	...	41 8 0	...	"	
Daniel McKenzie	" " 283, Carnarvon ...	...	23 5 0	...	"	
Thomas U. McKenzie, jun.	" " 284, "	...	26 8 0	...	"	
T. U. McKenzie, sen.	" " 293, "	...	28 5 0	...	"	
Alexander McKenzie	" " 281, "	...	37 6 0	...	"	
D. D. McKenzie ...	" " 282, "	...	52 0 0	...	"	
David Stevenson ...	" " 427, Palmerston ...	...	41 16 3	...	"	
D. D. Walker ...	" " 553, "	...	36 0 0	...	"	
Falconer Larkworthy	" " 555, Foxton ...	...	700 0 0	...	Special settlement.	
			3,575 0 0	3,674 1 9	...	

Crown Lands Office,
Wellington, 5th December, 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 on or before the 21st day of January next.

810. THOMAS MILLS.—3 acres, Sections 852, 853, and 854, Wellington City. (Unoccupied.)

856. PETER BRUCE.—42 acres and 3 perches, parts of Sections 47 and 50, Hutt District. (In Applicant's occupation.)

857. JAMES DANIEL BAIRD and JOHN REES GEORGE.—24 perches, part of Section 237, Wellington City, fronting on Haining Street 132 feet, and adjoining Sections 230 and 236. (Occupied by J. Thompson and Mr. Appledorf.)

Diagrams may be inspected at this office.

Dated this 12th day of December, 1877, at the Lands Registry Office, Wellington.

GEO. B. DAVY,
District Land Registrar.

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WAIKOUAITI ROAD BOARD.

NOTICE is hereby given, that the Waikouaiti Road Board purpose taking Land for a Public Road, under clauses 21, 22, 23, 24, &c., "Public Works Act, 1876." The surveys and plans are now deposited at my house, Clevedon (within this district), and are open to inspection by all persons at all reasonable hours. The road as surveyed passes through Section 41, Block II., Waikouaiti District. Any person or persons affected are hereby required to set forth in writing any well-grounded objections to the execution of such works or taking of such lands, and to send such writing, within forty days from the date of first appearing of this notice, to the Chairman and Members of the Waikouaiti Road Board, Merton Post Office; and the Board will appoint a time and place to hear such objections as the objector thinks fit.

By order of the Board.

WM. H. BAYLY,
Clerk to the Waikouaiti Road Board.
Clevedon, 22nd November, 1877. 606

THE QUEENSTOWN ATHENÆUM AND TOWN HALL COMPANY (LIMITED), IN LIQUIDATION.

A GENERAL Meeting of the Shareholders will be held at F. W. F. Geisow's offices, Ballarat Street, Queenstown, on Monday, 14th January, 1878, at 3 p.m.

Business: The Liquidators' Balance-Sheet and Report, stating the reason why the said Company could not be wound up during the past twelve months.

F. W. F. GEISOW,
Liquidator: 620

SPECIMEN HILL QUARTZ MINING COMPANY (LIMITED).

THIS is to certify that the Office of the Specimen Hill Quartz Mining Company (Limited) is situated at Broadway, Reefton, and that PATRICK BRENNAN is the Manager of the said Company.

GEORGE WISE, }
F. D. WALKER, } Directors.

Reefton, 3rd December, 1877. 621

THE LOAN AND INVESTMENT COMPANY OF NEW ZEALAND (LIMITED).

NOTICE is hereby given, that a General Meeting of the Company will be held at the Registered Offices, Hereford Street, Christchurch, on Wednesday, 9th January, 1878, at 3 p.m., for the confirmation of the following Special Resolution:—

"That the Company be wound up voluntarily, and that the following persons be appointed liquidators, viz.:—Messrs. Peter Cunningham, John Inglis, Edward Cephas John Stevens, George Gatonby Stead, Charles Wesley Turner, Robert Wilkin, and Edward George Wright."

The said special resolution having been duly passed by a General Meeting of the Company on the 5th December, 1877.

By order of the Board of Directors.

FRED. ED. GRAHAM,
Manager.

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