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Establishment of Local District and Land Officer at Orepuki.

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

WHEREAS by the twenty-fourth section of "The Land Act, 1877," it is enacted that the Governor, by Proclamation in the *Gazette*, may from time to time establish and define, abolish, alter, or reconstitute local districts for the sale or disposal of land, and in like manner may from time to time appoint Land Officers or other persons for conducting sales of land in such local districts, and for receiving applications for the sale, letting, disposal, or occupation of Crown lands, and for generally carrying into effect the provisions of the said Act:

Now, therefore, I, George Augustus Constantine, Marquis of Normanby, the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, do hereby proclaim and declare that the district described in the First Schedule hereto is established, defined, and constituted a local district for the sale and disposal of land under the said Act; and that the Land Office the name of which is in the said Schedule set opposite the name of the said local district is appointed the Land Office for the said local district; and that the person named in the Second Schedule hereto is appointed the Land Officer for conducting sales of land in such local district, and for receiving applications for the sale, letting, disposal, or occupation of Crown land, and for generally carrying into effect the provisions of the said Act in and for the district the name of which is in the said Second Schedule set opposite the name of such person.

FIRST SCHEDULE.

Name and Description of Local District.	Name of Land Office.
OREPUKI LOCAL DISTRICT. All that area in the Southland portion of the Provincial District of Otago, bounded towards the North by a right line running due east from the Waiau River to Ferndunlaw; towards the East by a right line running due south from Ferndunlaw to the ocean; towards the South by the ocean; and toward the West by the Waiau River.	The Land Office at Orepuki.

SECOND SCHEDULE.

Name of Land Officer.	Name of Local District.
John Nugent Wood	Orepuki.

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 Auckland, this eighteenth day of February, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and seventy-eight.

J. MACANDREW.

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN!

Setting apart Lands in Southland for Deferred Payments.

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

WHEREAS by the fifty-fourth section of "The Mines Act, 1877," it is provided that it shall be lawful for the Governor to cause Crown lands situate within a mining district to be selected and set apart for the purpose of granting agricultural leases, or for alienation by occupation licenses on deferred payments, under any law for the time being in force in the land district in which such mining district is situate; and before such lands are opened for application the Governor may determine the size of the allotments, not exceeding the maximum which may be held by any person under any such lease or license:

And whereas the lands described in the Schedule hereto are Crown lands subject to be dealt with under the provisions of the said fifty-fourth section of "The Mines Act, 1877," and it is deemed expedient to set the same apart for the purpose of occupation on deferred payments:

Now, therefore, I, George Augustus Constantine, Marquis of Normanby, the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, do hereby select and set apart, for the purpose of occupation on deferred payments, the lands described in the Schedule hereto, and do fix the sixteenth day of March next ensuing as the day on which the said land shall be open for application in allotments, as surveyed and marked on the survey map in the office of the Chief Surveyor, Invercargill.

SCHEDULE.

BLOCK II., LONGWOOD DISTRICT.

	ACRES.	R.	P.
SECTION 12, containing ...	91	0	0
" 14, " ...	72	1	35
" 15, " ...	51	2	0
" 17, " ...	53	1	10
" 18, " ...	54	0	18

BLOCK I., LONGWOOD DISTRICT.

Section 20, containing...	115	1	8
" 21, " ...	117	1	10
" 23, " ...	83	2	6
" 25, " ...	66	0	8
" 26, " ...	61	0	5

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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 Auckland, this eighteenth day of February, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and seventy-eight.

J. MACANDREW.

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN!

Land temporarily reserved in the Provincial District of Westland.

NORMANBY, Governor.

WHEREAS by the one hundred and forty-fourth section of "The Land Act, 1877," it is enacted that the Governor may, from time to time, either by general or particular description, and whether the same has been surveyed or not, reserve from sale temporarily, notwithstanding that the same may be then held under pastoral license, any Crown lands which in his opinion are required for any of the purposes in the said section mentioned:

Now, therefore, I, George Augustus Constantine, Marquis of Normanby, the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, in exercise and pursuance of the powers and authorities vested in me by the said Act,

do hereby temporarily reserve from sale the land in the Provincial District of Westland, described in the Schedule hereunder written, for the purpose in the the said Schedule specified.

SCHEDULE.

ALL that parcel of land in the Provincial District of Westland, containing by admeasurement twelve (12) acres two (2) roods and twenty-eight (28) poles, more or less, being Reserve numbered one hundred and eighty (180) (in red) on the map of the Kanieri Survey District, and bounded as follows: Extending from the south bank of Duck Creek in a south-easterly direction a distance of two hundred and forty (240) chains fifty-seven (57) links to peg marked EBL in Rural Section No. 2014, and of a width of fifty (50) links; together with a parcel of land two (2) chains square at each end of the above-described land. For a base-line for survey purposes.

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

J. MACANDREW.

Land temporarily reserved in the Provincial District of Auckland.

NORMANBY, Governor.

WHEREAS by the one hundred and forty-fourth section of "The Land Act, 1877," it is enacted that the Governor may from time to time, either by general or particular description, and whether the same has been surveyed or not, reserve from sale temporarily, notwithstanding that the same may be then held under pastoral license, any Crown lands which in his opinion are required for any of the purposes in the said section mentioned:

Now, therefore, I, George Augustus Constantine, Marquis of Normanby, the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, in exercise and pursuance of the powers and authorities vested in me by the said Act, do hereby temporarily reserve from sale the land in the Provincial District of Auckland, described in the Schedule hereunder written, for the purposes in the said Schedule specified.

SCHEDULE.

ALL that parcel of land in the Provincial District of Auckland, containing by admeasurement fifteen (15) poles, more or less, and being Allotment numbered six hundred (600) of the Town of Cambridge East. Bounded towards the North-east by a street, seventy (70) links; towards the South-east by Allotment No. 601, one hundred and twenty-nine (129) links; towards the South-west by Allotments Nos. 606 and 607, seventy-one (71) links; and towards the North-west by Allotment No. 47, one hundred and forty-two (142) links: be all the aforesaid linkages more or less. As a site for a library.

All that parcel of land in the Provincial District of Auckland, containing by admeasurement twenty-eight (28) poles, more or less, and being Allotment numbered five hundred and seventy-eight (578) of the Town of Cambridge East. Bounded towards the North-east by a street, ninety (90) links; towards the South-east by Allotment No. 47, one hundred and eighty-five (185) links; towards the South-west by Allotment No. 617, one hundred and seventy-two (172) links; and towards the North-west by a street, one hundred and ten (110) links: be all the aforesaid linkages more or less. As a site for a town hall.

All that parcel of land in the Provincial District of Auckland, containing by admeasurement two (2) roods, more or less, and being Allotment numbered

forty-seven (47) of the Town of Cambridge East. Bounded towards the North-east by a street, three hundred and ten (310) links; towards the South-east by Allotment No. 600, one hundred and forty-two (142) links; towards the South-west by Allotments Nos. 607, 608, 609, and 610, two hundred and twenty-six (226) links; and towards the North-west by Allotment No. 573, one hundred and eighty-five (185) links: be all the aforesaid linkages more or less. As a site for a telegraph and post office.

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

J. MACANDREW.

Resident Magistrate appointed to administer "The Slaughterhouse Act, 1877."

NORMANBY, Governor.

WHEREAS by "The Slaughterhouse Act, 1877," it is enacted that in all parts of New Zealand in which the whole of the Counties Act is not in operation a Resident Magistrate to be appointed in that behalf by the Governor, acting together with any two Justices of the Peace, shall form a Bench of Magistrates, who shall be charged with the administration of all the provisions of the said Act within such parts of New Zealand respectively as may be limited to such Magistrates by the Governor: And whereas the whole of "The Counties Act, 1876," is not in force in the county specified in the second column of the Schedule hereto:

Now, therefore, I, George Augustus Constantine, Marquis of Normanby, the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, in exercise and pursuance of the powers and authorities vested in me by "The Slaughterhouse Act, 1877," do hereby appoint the Resident Magistrate whose name is specified in the first column of the Schedule hereto to be the Resident Magistrate who, acting together with any two Justices of the Peace, shall be charged with the administration of the said Act within the county set opposite his name in the second column of the said Schedule.

SCHEDULE.

Name.	County.
Caleb Whitefoord	Amuri.

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

G. S. WHITMORE.

Trustees appointed for Maintenance of Masterton Cemetery.

NORMANBY, Governor.

IN pursuance and exercise of the powers and authorities vested in me by the second section of "The Cemeteries Management Act, 1877," I, George Augustus Constantine, Marquis of Normanby, the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, do hereby appoint the several persons whose names are specified in the first column of the Schedule hereto to be Trustees to provide for the maintenance

and care of the Public Cemetery specified in the second column of the said Schedule.

SCHEDULE.

Names of Trustees.	Name of Public Cemetery and Description of Land.
Henry Bannister. Robert Hare. Robert G. Williams. Walter Perry. Edwin Feist. James McGregor. Timothy Kelleher. Arthur R. Bunny.	MASTERTON CEMETERY. All that parcel of land being Section one hundred and five (105) on the plan of Masterton, containing by admeasurement five (5) acres, more or less. Bounded towards the North-east by Section numbered one hundred and four (104), three hundred and fifty (350) links; towards the East by the Ruamahanga River; towards the South-east, the South-west, and the North-west by Section numbered nineteen (19), four hundred and fifty (450) links, seven hundred (700) links, and eight hundred (800) links respectively.

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

G. S. WHITMORE.

Trustees appointed for Maintenance of Cambridge Cemetery.

NORMANBY, Governor.

IN pursuance and exercise of the powers and authorities vested in me by the second section of "The Cemeteries Management Act, 1877," I, George Augustus Constantine, Marquis of Normanby, the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, do hereby appoint the several persons whose names are specified in the first column of the Schedule hereto to be Trustees to provide for the maintenance and care of the Public Cemetery specified in the second column of the said Schedule.

SCHEDULE.

Names of Trustees.	Name of Public Cemetery and Description of Land.
William Clare. James Hally. Robert McVeagh. James P. Campbell. John Houghton.	CAMBRIDGE CEMETERY. All that parcel of land in the Provincial District of Auckland, containing by admeasurement twenty-one (21) acres three (3) roods and sixteen (16) poles, more or less, being Lot numbered one hundred and eighty-eight (188) in the Parish of Hautapu, Cambridge Survey District. Bounded towards the North-east by a public road, three thousand eight hundred and seventy-nine (3879) links; towards the South by Lot numbered one hundred and eighty-seven (187) in the Parish of Hautapu aforesaid, one thousand one hundred and seventy-five (1175) links; and towards the West by a public road, three thousand seven hundred and twenty (3720) links: be all the aforesaid linkages more or less, as the same is delineated on the plan deposited in the Survey Office, Auckland.

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

G. S. WHITMORE.

Judge of Assessment Courts under "The Rating Act, 1876," appointed.

NORMANBY, Governor.

IN pursuance and exercise of all powers and authorities vested in me by "The Rating Act, 1876," I, George Augustus Constantine, Marquis of Normanby, the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, do hereby appoint the person named in the Schedule hereto to be the Judge of the Assessment Courts for the districts placed opposite his name.

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

G. S. WHITMORE.

SCHEDULE.

Districts.	Judge of Assessment Courts.
PROVINCIAL DISTRICT OF HAWKE'S BAY.	
Norsewood Highway District	John William Thompson, Esq.
Ormondville Highway District	John William Thompson, Esq.
Danevirk Highway District	John William Thompson, Esq.
Woodville East Highway District	John William Thompson, Esq.
Woodville West Highway District	John William Thompson, Esq.

Resignation of Appointment under "The Slaughterhouses Act, 1877."

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Wellington, 14th February, 1878.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to accept the resignation by

LOWTHER BROAD, Esq., R.M.,

of his appointment as Resident Magistrate to administer "The Slaughterhouses Act, 1877," within the County of Amuri.

G. S. WHITMORE.

Revising Barrister under "The Building Societies Act, 1876," appointed.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Wellington, 19th February, 1878.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint

ARTHUR JAMES COTTERILL, Esq.,

to be Revising Barrister under "The Building Societies Act, 1876," for the Hawke's Bay District.

G. S. WHITMORE.

Letters of Naturalization issued.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Wellington, 27th February, 1878.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to issue Letters of Naturalization under "The

Aliens Act, 1866," in favour of the under-mentioned persons, viz.,—

Name.	Occupation.	Residence.
Thomas Jensen ...	Settler ...	Norsewood.
Anders Andersen ...	Settler ...	Makaretu Reserve.
Knud Andersen ...	Settler ...	Norsewood.
John Nicholas Binsfeld ...	Catholic Priest...	Rangiora.
Antonio Jochahin Leuinard	Boatman ...	Auckland.

J. BALLANCE,
(in the absence of the Colonial Secretary.)

Regulations as to Admission of Stock into South Australia.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Wellington, 25th February, 1878.

THE following letter and enclosure from the Chief Secretary of South Australia, relative to the admission of stock into that colony, are published for general information.

J. BALLANCE,
(in the absence of the Colonial Secretary.)

SOUTH AUSTRALIA.

Chief Secretary's Office,
Adelaide, 6th February, 1878.

SIR,—I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 10th December last, and in reply to enclose copy of an Order in Council, dated

the 28th November, 1877, making regulations for the admission of stock from New Zealand and elsewhere.

I have, &c.,

FRED. J. SANDERSON,
(For the Chief Secretary.)

The Hon. the Colonial Secretary,
New Zealand.

At the Executive Council Office, in Adelaide, the twenty-eighth day of November, 1877.

Present:

The Hon. the CHIEF SECRETARY.

The Hon. the COMMISSIONER OF CROWN LANDS.

The Hon. the COMMISSIONER OF PUBLIC WORKS.

The Hon. the MINISTER OF EDUCATION.

WHEREAS by The Public Health Act, the Governor is empowered to make such orders as may seem to be necessary for the purpose of prohibiting or regulating the introduction into the province from any country or colony, or part of a country or colony (in which respectively any disease in sheep, cattle, horses, swine, or other animals of the same or any other kind or kinds whatsoever is known to exist), of all sheep, cattle, horses, swine, or other animals of the same or any other kind or kinds whatsoever, or of meat, skins, hides, horns, hoofs, or other parts of any animals, or of hay, straw, fodder, cloths, or other articles likely to propagate amongst men or animals any infectious or contagious disease whatsoever: And the Governor is also authorized to make such orders as may seem to be necessary for the purpose of prohibiting or regulating the mode and time of removal to and from such parts or places within the province as may be designated in any such order of all sheep, cattle, horses, swine, or other animals of the same kind or any other kinds whatsoever: And whereas diseases are known to exist in sheep, cattle, and horses, in New South Wales, Victoria, New Zealand, Queensland, Tasmania, and Western Australia: And whereas by an Order in Council bearing date the fifth day of September, 1877, regulations and orders were made and published in the *Government Gazette*, regulating the introduction of sheep, cattle, and horses into the said province from New South Wales, Victoria, Queensland, Tasmania, and Western Australia: And whereas it is necessary to rescind the aforesaid regulations and to issue others in lieu thereof: Now it is hereby ordered by the Governor in Council, that from the date hereof the regulations of the fifth day of September, 1877, shall be made void, and in lieu thereof, the regulations hereinafter set forth regulating the introduction into the Province of South Australia of sheep, cattle, and horses, from New South Wales, Victoria, New Zealand, Queensland, Tasmania, and Western Australia, and also respecting the time and mode of removal of the said animals within the said province, should now be made and published: And it is further ordered that the said regulations shall forthwith be published in the *Government Gazette*, and from the date of such publication shall thenceforth be observed until further order herein:—

REGULATIONS.

ORDERS REGULATING THE IMPORTATION OF ANIMALS BY SEA.

1. No sheep, cattle, or horses, shall be imported by sea into the province without a permit, in writing, from an inspector. Any person importing without such permit shall be liable to a penalty of not less than ten pounds nor more than fifty pounds.

2. Any owner or agent importing any sheep, cattle, or horses into the province shall produce, if required by an inspector, a certificate of a qualified veterinary surgeon that the sheep, cattle, or horses so imported are free from disease.

3. Every sheep imported by sea shall, on being landed, be removed in such manner, and to such quarantine ground, as the inspector shall direct, and shall be there detained for a term of not less than fourteen (14) days, and be there twice dipped as directed by the inspector. The expenses of such removal, quarantine, and dressings to be paid by the owner or agent before such animals are released. If such animals are not released within two days after any inspector shall have requested the owner or agent to remove the same, they may be destroyed by order of the inspector. Any person acting in contravention of this clause shall be liable to a penalty of not less than ten pounds nor more than fifty pounds.

4. All cattle or horses shall, if required, be disinfected as an inspector may direct; and may be detained in quarantine for a term of not less than fourteen (14) days at the expense, in all things, of the owner or agent. Any person committing a breach of this clause shall be liable to a penalty of not less than ten pounds nor more than fifty pounds.

5. All animals arriving in any South Australian port, if found, on inspection by an inspector, to be suffering from pleuro-pneumonia, or any infectious or contagious disease, shall, if required by an order in writing of an inspector, be destroyed by the owner, agent, or person apparently in charge of such animal or animals; and if such order is not complied with within such time as an inspector in such order directs, the inspector may give an order to seize and destroy such animals, and any person or persons authorized by an inspector shall destroy such animals accordingly; and the owner, agent, or person apparently in charge shall be liable to a penalty of five pounds for every day in which any such animal is left undestroyed after the date fixed in such order.

6. No fodder, hay, straw, fittings, or articles used in connection with imported animals, shall be landed without permission from an inspector. Any such fodder, hay, straw, fittings, or articles shall be disinfected or destroyed, if so required, by order of an inspector; and any owner or agent neglecting to comply with this order within three days of the date of such order, shall be liable to a penalty of not less than five pounds for every day in which such order is not complied with.

7. Any animals hereinbefore described in these orders imported into Port Adelaide by sea for transshipment, may be landed under permit from an inspector, if clean, and placed in quarantine grounds for a period of ten days, without being dipped or disinfected, and shall be removed from such ground by order of an inspector only, under a penalty of not less than thirty pounds.

8. Any animals, as before mentioned, imported into this province under a permit from an inspector, may be removed to such lands as the inspector shall consider necessary, and such land shall be considered and used as a quarantine for the purpose and term for which the inspector shall direct; and any person removing from, or placing on, any animals, without an order from an inspector, shall be liable to a penalty of not less than ten pounds nor more than fifty pounds.

ORDERS REGULATING THE INTRODUCTION OF ANIMALS INTO THE PROVINCE BY LAND.

9. Any animals introduced across the boundary line of the province from New South Wales or Victoria, found to be suffering from pleuro-pneumonia, or any infectious or contagious disease, may be destroyed by order of an inspector.

10. All persons introducing sheep, cattle, or horses to this province overland from either of the Colonies of New South Wales and Victoria shall give not less than twenty-four hours' notice in writing to the

nearest inspector in this province, stating the brands of such animals, the place at which such animals will cross the boundary, the date of intended crossing, the place from which they were brought, the road they are desirous of travelling, and their destination: Provided that no notice will be required for horse or bullock teams. Any person failing to show such notice has been given, to be liable to a penalty of not less than ten pounds nor more than thirty pounds.

11. Any person importing or introducing, by sea or land, any animal or animals found to be suffering from pleuro-pneumonia or any infectious or contagious disease, shall be liable to a penalty of not less than five pounds nor more than fifty pounds.

ORDERS REGULATING THE REMOVAL AND TREATMENT OF ANIMALS SUFFERING FROM ANY INFECTIOUS OR CONTAGIOUS DISEASES.

12. Any animal suffering from pleuro-pneumonia or any infectious or contagious disease may be destroyed by the owner, agent, or person apparently in charge, by order of an inspector; and any owner, agent, or person apparently in charge not complying with such order shall be liable to a penalty of five pounds for every day such animal is left undestroyed after the date of such notice; and the inspector may give an order to seize and destroy such animal or animals, and any person authorized by the inspector may destroy such animals accordingly.

13. Any person or persons removing any animal or animals suffering from pleuro-pneumonia, or any infectious or contagious disease, through, across, or out of that portion of the Province of South Australia, known as the Districts of Victoria and Albert, situated between the boundary line of the province between the Colonies of Victoria and South Australia on the east side, and by the coast line from the southernmost point of the aforesaid boundary line to the mouth of the River Murray, and from thence following the River Murray to the boundary of the Colony of Victoria, into or through all that part of the Province of South Australia situated to the west and north of the River Murray, from the mouth to the boundary of New South Wales on such river, or shall remove any animal or animals so suffering through, across, or out of that part of the Province of South Australia as mentioned aforesaid, situated to the west and north of the River Murray, into or through the Districts of Victoria and Albert as hereinbefore described, shall be liable to a penalty of not less than five pounds for every animal so moved in contravention of this clause.

14. Any person or persons so driving or removing any animals suffering from pleuro-pneumonia or any infectious or contagious disease, as mentioned in the preceding order, and leaving on any road or land any animal so suffering without destroying any such animal so left, shall be liable to a penalty of not less than five pounds for every animal so left, and shall also be liable to a further penalty of not less than five pounds for every day on which any such animal shall be left undestroyed.

15. No person or persons shall remove any animal or animals from any ship or vessel to another ship or vessel, whilst any ship or vessel is within the boundaries of the port of Port Adelaide, or within the boundaries of any other port in the Province of South Australia, without an order in writing from an inspector. Any person or persons acting in contravention of this clause shall be liable to a penalty of not less than five pounds nor more than fifty pounds.

"Destroy" shall mean kill and burn or bury at least twelve inches beneath the surface of the ground.

"Inspector" shall mean any Inspector of Sheep as appointed under Act No. 19, of 1859, and any

person who shall be authorized by the Hon. Commissioner of Crown Lands to act as an inspector.

The word "animal" in these regulations shall mean sheep, cattle, or horses, of every age and sex, swine, and goats.

"Land" shall mean paddocks, enclosures, yards, stables, and buildings.

And the Hon. the Commissioner of Crown Lands is to give the necessary directions herein accordingly.

J. H. B. WARNER,
Clerk of the Council.

Member of Licensing Court appointed.

Department of Justice,
Wellington, 25th February, 1878.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint

JOHN TURNBULL, Esq., J.P.,
to be a Member of the Licensing Courts for the Districts of Onetree Point, Myross, Mabel, New River, Winton, Wallacetown, Waikewi, Waihopai, Town of Invercargill, Appleby, Campbelltown, and Township of Campbelltown, *vice* William Wood, Esq., resigned.

JOHN SHEEHAN.

Gaoler appointed.

Department of Justice,
Wellington, 25th February, 1878.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint

Constable THOMAS DYER BROWN
to be Gaoler at the Prison at Ahaura, from the 1st instant, *vice* Constable Clarke, dismissed.

JOHN SHEEHAN.

Appointment of Volunteer Officers.

Colonial Defence Office,
Wellington, 12th February, 1878.

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

In the Wellington (City) Rifle Volunteers.
Sub-Lieutenant James Walden to be Lieutenant. Date of commission, 31st January, 1878.
Walter Christie to be Sub-Lieutenant. Date of commission, 31st January, 1878.

In the Queenstown Rifle Volunteers.
Albert Eichardt to be Lieutenant. Date of commission, 14th January, 1878.

G. S. WHITMORE.

Vice-President Hokitika Savings Bank resigned and appointed.

Treasury,
Wellington, 27th February, 1878.

IT is notified for public information that the Trustees of the Hokitika Savings Bank have elected

The Hon. JAMES ALEXANDER BONAR, M.L.C.,
to be Vice-President, *vice* G. G. FitzGerald, Esq., resigned.

J. BALLANCE,
Acting Colonial Treasurer.

NOTICE TO MARINERS.

No. 6 of 1878.

Customs Department (Marine Branch),
Wellington, 25th February, 1878.

THE following Notice to Mariners, received from the Marine Board, New South Wales, is published for general information.

J. BALLANCE,

SHOALING UP OF THE MACLEAY BAR.

IN consequence of the late shoaling, masters of vessels trading to the Macleay River are hereby informed that greater caution than ever is necessary in crossing the bar at the present time.

FRANCIS HIXSON,
President.

Office of the Marine Board of New South Wales,
5th February, 1878.

NOTICE TO MARINERS.

No. 7 of 1878.

Customs Department (Marine Branch),
Wellington, 25th February, 1878.

THE following Hydrographic memoranda, received from the Commodore Commanding the Australian Station, are published for general information.

J. BALLANCE.

OLOZENGA ROCK AND OTHER REPORTED ROCKS IN SOMEWHAT SIMILAR PARTS.

"Wolverene," at Sydney,
5th February, 1878.

Hydrographic Memorandum No. 20.

WITH reference to my general Memorandum No. 27, and Hydrographic Memorandum No. 17, of 1877, respecting Olozenga Rock, near the Kermadec Group, W. Polynesia, I have been informed, while seeking to obtain confirmatory information respecting it, of rocks said to have been seen in the following positions by the vessels mentioned:—

"Edith" (schooner), latitude 30° 50' S., longitude 178° 23' E.

"Vibilia" (schooner), latitude 31° 50' S., longitude 178° 20' E.

"Kreimhilda," latitude 24° 50' S., longitude 174° 0' W.

Additional precautions should therefore be taken in navigating these parts, and every effort made by Her Majesty's ships to prove the existence or otherwise of these dangers.

A. H. HOSKINS,
Commodore.

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

FIJI.

FURTHER INFORMATION FURNISHED BY H.M.S. "ALACRITY," DURING SURVEY OF GROUP IN 1877.—NEW CALEDONIA AND NEW HEBRIDES.

"Wolverene," at Sydney,
9th February, 1878.

Hydrographic Memorandum No. 21.

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."*

November, 1877.

Tartar Reef.—The Tartar Reef is a coral bank some few feet below low-water springs, 2½ miles long and 1 mile broad, and lying in a direction N.N.W. and S.S.E. Its north point is situated S. 34 W., 18½ miles from the summit of Waia; N. 55 W., 21 miles

from summit of Island of Malolo; S. 17 E., 17½ miles from the south point of the Kiva Reef. Immediately in a line between the Tartar Reef and the south point of the Kiva Reef there are no dangers; but coral banks exist, which have from 9 to 25 fathoms of water upon them. In shore of a meridian 5 miles east of this line, and between the parallels of Naviti and the Namanutha (Hudson's Islands), there are numerous reefs with from 2 to 5 fathoms of water, which break occasionally.

Viwa.—Viwa Island is not more than 100 feet high, and cannot be seen at night. On the south point of the reef there is a heavy break at all times.

Barrier Reef off Malolo.—The Barrier Reef west of Malolo ends abruptly in a horn S. 81 W., 7 miles from the summit of that island.

New Reef West of Hudson Group.—Between this horn and the Tartar Reef there is a chain of coral banks with from 3 feet to 5 fathoms of water on them; there are blind rollers on these banks, but they break continuously only in strong winds. The safest passage through will be found in the following positions:—

N. 80 W., 10 miles from Malolo summit.

S. 84 W., 7 "

A good light is necessary for entering, as the edges of the banks are badly defined.

Soundings of between 100 and 200 fathoms were obtained ½ mile to the west of the banks.

Mamanutha or Hudson's Islands.—The most westerly of the Mamanutha Islands—viz., Mondrihe (Alden Island of Wilkes)—lies N. 54 W., 11½ miles from the summit of Malolo.

Passages into Mandi Waters.—There are two good passages into the Mandi waters, the Navula Passage and the Malolo Passage; the latter is between Waldron and Spieden Islands. No reef exists directly in front of it as represented in the published chart.

Variation.—Variation at Mandi R., 9° 25' E. Bearings are given magnetic.

Information furnished by Officers of H.M.S. "Nymphe."

Vate or Sandwich Island, New Hebrides.—The "Nymphe" made the island to extend 10 miles further to the eastward than marked on chart. Mr. Young, a resident of long standing in Havannah Harbour, says that traders are constantly speaking to him of Sandwich Island being so much out of position. He himself thinks the island cannot be far short of 40 miles in length.

Chart No. 1380, New Caledonia, New Hebrides, and Loyalty Islands.—Panoce Bay, in Vate Island, is quite 5 miles across, whereas in Chart No. 1380 it is only put as 1 mile wide from point to point. The northern point should not be rounded closer than ¼ mile, as a reef extends some distance from the point.

Chart No. 2907.—Shoal 1 fathom, in latitude 22° 24' 30" S., longitude 166° 27' E.; Mahoo N. by W., Gorlands Isle W.N.W.

Chart No. 2907.—Reef found off Crony Isle in place of 10 fathoms, 2½' W. ½' W. S. from Crony Isle; latitude 22° 21' 30" S., longitude 166° 19' 30" E.

Chart No. 480, Port of France or Noumea, latitude 22° 16' S., longitude 166° 27' E.—Northern Passage: 15 feet, soundings on chart 19 feet.

Chart No. 480, Port of France or Noumea, latitude 22° 16' S., longitude 166° 27' E.—Little Passage: White buoy changed to red off Dinouel Point.

Chart No. 2480, Port of France or Noumea, latitude 22° 16' S., longitude 126° 27' E.—A red buoy has also been placed on the north end of the 2¼ shoal abreast Bayonnaise Cove, which cove is being filled up. The point to the north has been produced to the southward in the same direction about a cable.

Chart No. 2907.—Bulari Passage: Latitude 22° 31' S., longitude 166° 28' E. Pilots report that the sand shoal in this passage is twice the size of that shown in chart.

Chart No. 2907.—Uitoe Passage: Latitude 22° 10' S., longitude 166° 7' E. Pilots report 3 fathoms upon leading mark. Mboa Isle N.E. $\frac{1}{2}$ E., east end of Mathew Isle N $\frac{1}{2}$ W., about $\frac{1}{4}$ mile beyond turning point.

Mining Registrar appointed.

General Crown Lands Office,
Wellington, 23rd February, 1878.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint

JOHN SMITH HICKSON, Esq.,

to be a Mining Registrar for the District of Waimea, from the 1st of January, 1878.

J. BALLANCE.

Land Claims Commissioner resigned.

General Crown Lands Office,
Wellington, 26th February, 1878.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to accept the resignation by

HARRY ALBERT ATKINSON, Esq.,

of the office of a Land Claims Commissioner under "The Land Claims Settlement Act, 1856," and "The Land Claims Settlement Extension Act, 1858," as from the 10th day of October, 1877.

J. BALLANCE.

Change of Purpose of Reserves.

General Crown Lands Office,
Wellington, 12th February, 1878.

IT is hereby notified that His Excellency the Governor has approved, under the provisions of the 148th section of "The Land Act, 1877," of the intended change of purpose of the reserves specified in the Schedule hereto.

SCHEDULE.

Description and Purpose of Reserve	Area of which the Purpose is intended to be Changed.	Intended Purpose.
Block XLIII. in the Township of Lawrence, in the Provincial District of Otago. As a site for Public Buildings for the use of the General Government. Notice whereof is published in the <i>New Zealand Gazette</i> , 1867, No. 52, page 374.	All that piece or parcel of land in the Town of Lawrence, in the Provincial District of Otago, containing by admeasurement one (1) rood, more or less, being part of Block LXVI. Bounded on the North by a line commencing in Peel Street, 127 links from the corner of Peel Street and Campbellton Street, and running parallel to the last-mentioned street 212 links; on the East by other part of Block LXVI., 125 links; on the South by Campbellton Street, 188 links; and on the West by Peel Street, 127 links, to the starting point: be all the aforesaid linkages more or less, as the same is more particularly delineated on the plans deposited in the Survey Office, Dunedin.	As a site for County Council buildings.

SCHEDULE—continued.

Description and Purpose of Reserve.	Area of which the Purpose is intended to be Changed.	Intended Purpose.
Sec. No. 1783 (in red), in the Ashburton District, in the Provincial District of Canterbury, 106 acres, more or less, for Provincial Government purposes. Notice whereof is published in the <i>Provincial Gazette</i> , 1875, No. 36, page 284.	All that piece or parcel of land in the Ashburton District, in the Provincial District of Canterbury, containing by admeasurement twenty-two (22) acres two (2) roods, more or less, being part of Section No. 1783 (in red). Bounded towards the North-west by the South Road and Railway Reserve for a distance of 15 chains; towards the North-east by a road line for a distance of 15 chains; towards the South-east by Section No. 22739 for a distance of 15 chains; and towards the South-west by a line parallel to and 15 chains south-west of the north-eastern boundary for a distance of 15 chains: as the same is delineated on the plans deposited in the Provincial District Survey Office, Christchurch.	As a recreation ground.
Sec. No. 1646 (in red), in the Town of Waimate, in the Provincial District of Canterbury, 5 acres, more or less, for Provincial Government purposes. Notice whereof is published in the <i>Provincial Gazette</i> , 1874, No. 32, page 180.	All that piece or parcel of land in the Town of Waimate, in the Provincial District of Canterbury, containing by admeasurement two (2) roods, more or less, being part of Section No. 1646 (in red). Bounded towards the North-west by Queen Street for a distance of about 2 chains; towards the South-west by Crown lands for a distance of 2 chains 50 links; towards the North-east by Section No. 1582 (in red) for a distance of 2 chains 50 links; and towards the South-east by a line in continuation of the south-eastern boundary of said Section No. 1582 (in red) for a distance of about 2 chains: as the same is delineated on the plans deposited in the Provincial District Survey Office, Christchurch.	As a site for County Council buildings.
Sec. No. 1775 (in red), in the Ashburton District, in the Provincial District of Canterbury, 66 acres, more or less, for Provincial Government purposes. Notice whereof is published in the <i>Provincial Gazette</i> , 1875, No. 36, page 283.	All that piece or parcel of land in the District of Ashburton, in the Provincial District of Canterbury, containing twenty (20) acres, more or less, being part of Section No. 1775 (in red). Bounded towards the North-west by Section No. 1450 (in red) for a distance of about 14 chains; towards the South-west by a road line for a distance of about 15 chains; towards the South-east by Section No. 23387 for a distance of about 14 chains; and towards the North-east by a straight line for a distance of about 15 chains: as the same is delineated on the plans deposited in the Provincial District Survey Office, Christchurch.	As a cemetery.

J. MACANDREW,

Minister for Lands.

Change of Purpose of Reserve.

General Crown Lands Office,
Wellington, 25th February, 1878.

IT is hereby notified that His Excellency the Governor has approved, under the provisions of the 148th section of "The Land Act, 1877," of the intended change of purpose of the reserve specified in the Schedule hereto.

SCHEDULE.

Description and Purpose of Reserve.	Area of which the Purpose is intended to be Changed.	Intended Purpose.
Section No. 350 (in red), in the Provincial District of Canterbury. Road, Railway, and Telegraph purposes; notice whereof is published in the <i>New Zealand Gazette</i> , 1877, No. 84, page 1011.	All that piece or parcel of land in the Provincial District of Canterbury, containing twenty (20) acres, more or less, being Section No. 2275 (in red). Bounded towards the North-east by Section No. 2064 (in red), 19 chains 50 links; towards the North-west by Section No. 350 (in red), 21 chains; towards the South-west by Section No. 350 (in red), 14 chains 15 links; and towards the South-east by a road line for a distance of about 7 chains: as the same is delineated on the plans deposited in the Provincial District Survey Office, Christchurch.	For the Ashburton Agricultural and Pastoral Association.

J. BALLANCE,
(for the Minister for Lands.)

Alterations and Additions to the Rates for the Conveyance, Delivery, and Storage of Goods, Parcels, &c., on 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 New Zealand Railways, are hereby declared to be fixed, and shall come into force from the 11th day of March, 1878:—

TERMINAL CHARGE.

A terminal charge of three shillings and ninepence (3s. 9d.) will be made at Dunedin, Christchurch, and Invercargill Stations, on goods of Classes A, B, C, D, and E., in lieu of the present terminal charge of two shillings and sixpence (2s. 6d.)

POTATOES.

The charge for weighing potatoes will be at the rate of one halfpenny ($\frac{1}{2}$ d.) per cwt., in lieu of the present charge of one penny (1d.)

Dated this twenty-seventh day of February, 1878.

J. BALLANCE,
(Minister acting for the Minister for Public Works.)

Traffic Returns.

NEW ZEALAND RAILWAYS.—Traffic Returns for the Four Weeks ending 12th January, 1878:—

	KAIPARA SECTION.	
	1878.	Corresponding Four Weeks 1877.
PASSENGERS,—	No.	No.
1st Class	284	169
2nd Class	914	624
Total...	1,198	793

KAIPARA SECTION—continued.

GOODS,—	1878.			1877.		
	Tons	cwt.	qr.	Tons	cwt.	qr.
Wool	7	0	0	...	...	...
Sawn Timber	70	0	0	44	0	0
Grain	7	0	0	...	...	...
Merchandise	248	0	0	324	0	0
Minerals	4	0	0	...	...	...
Total	336	0	0	368	0	0

LIVE STOCK,—	No.	
	Horses and Cattle	2	6
Sheep, Pigs, &c.	11	20
Total...	13	26

RECEIPTS,—	£ s. d.			£ s. d.		
	Passengers, Parcels, &c.	163	2	11	130	8	7
Goods and Live Stock	128	11	11	126	3	2
Total...	£291	14	10	£256	11	9
Wharf Dues...	39	5	7	39	18	7
Total Revenue	£331	0	5	£296	10	4

AUCKLAND SECTION.

PASSENGERS,—	No.	
	1st Class	1,573	3,222
2nd Class	15,775	15,058
Total...	17,348	18,280

GOODS,—	Tons cwt. qr.			Tons cwt. qr.		
	Wool	62	0	0
Sawn Timber	341	0	0	166	0	0
Grain	107	0	0	...	...	...
Merchandise	1,289	0	0	1,240	0	0
Minerals	1,437	0	0	...	...	...
Total...	3,236	0	0	1,406	0	0

LIVE STOCK,—	No.	
	Horses and Cattle	51	19
Sheep, Pigs, &c.	1,451	1,036
Total...	1,502	1,055

RECEIPTS,—	£ s. d.			£ s. d.		
	Passengers, Parcels, &c.	2,241	12	3	1,554	4	9
Goods and Live Stock	1,107	7	5	601	4	4
Total...	£3,348	19	8	£2,155	9	1
Wharf Dues	74	2	11	...	...	...
Total Revenue	£3,423	2	7	£2,155	9	1

NAPIER SECTION.

PASSENGERS,—	No.	
	1st Class	2,101	1,563
2nd Class	5,271	5,084
Total...	7,372	6,647

GOODS,—	Tons cwt. qr.			Tons cwt. qr.		
	Wool	402	0	0
Sawn Timber	211	0	0	284	0	0
Grain	77	0	0	...	...	...
Merchandise	351	0	0	1,387	0	0
Minerals	287	0	0	...	...	...
Total...	1,328	0	0	1,671	0	0

LIVE STOCK,—	No.	
	Horses and Cattle	32	11
Sheep, Pigs, &c.	83	180
Total...	115	191

RECEIPTS,—	£ s. d.			£ s. d.		
	Passengers, Parcels, &c.	1,328	8	5	1,167	19	7
Goods and Live Stock	735	2	5	980	3	9
Total Revenue	£2,063	10	10	£2,148	3	4

WELLINGTON SECTION.

		1878.		1877.	
PASSENGERS,—		No.		No.	
1st Class	...	2,611	...	2,128	...
2nd Class	...	8,523	...	7,021	...
Total...	...	11,134	...	9,149	...
GOODS,—		Tons cwt. qr.		Tons cwt. qr.	
Wool	...	109	0 0	...	...
Sawn Timber	...	236	0 0	218	0 0
Grain	...	3	0 0	...	...
Merchandise	...	693	0 0	543	0 0
Minerals	...	473	0 0	...	...
Total...	...	1,514	0 0	761	0 0
LIVE STOCK,—		No.		No.	
Horses and Cattle	...	4	...	8	...
Sheep, Pigs, &c.	...	5	...	2	...
Total...	...	9	...	10	...
RECEIPTS,—		£ s. d.		£ s. d.	
Passengers, Parcels, &c.	...	1,023	15 7	947	6 8
Goods and Live Stock	...	384	11 10	208	3 10
Total Revenue	...	£1,408	7 5	£1,155	10 6

FOXTON SECTION.

		No.	
PASSENGERS,—		No.	
1st Class	...	278	350
2nd Class	...	1,541	1,525
Total...	...	1,819	1,875
GOODS,—		Tons cwt. qr.	
Wool	...	49	0 0
Sawn Timber	...	205	0 0
Grain	...	6	0 0
Merchandise	...	272	0 0
Minerals	...	136	0 0
Total...	...	668	0 0
LIVE STOCK,—		No.	
Horses and Cattle	...	19	...
Sheep, Pigs, &c.	...	...	...
Total...	...	19	...
RECEIPTS,—		£ s. d.	
Passengers, Parcels, &c.	...	314	4 6
Goods and Live Stock	...	527	16 7
Total...	...	£842	1 1
Wharf Dues...	...	64	11 2
Total Revenue	...	£906	12 3
	...	£717	13 1
	...	60	4 7
Total Revenue	...	£777	17 8

WANGANUI SECTION.

		No.	
PASSENGERS,—		No.	
1st Class	...	131	...
2nd Class	...	557	...
Total...	...	688	...
GOODS,—		Tons cwt. qr.	
Wool	...	67	0 0
Sawn Timber	...	15	0 0
Grain	...	5	0 0
Merchandise	...	166	0 0
Minerals	...	102	0 0
Total...	...	355	0 0
LIVE STOCK,—		No.	
Horses and Cattle	...	1	...
Sheep, Pigs, &c.	...	...	...
Total...	...	1	...
RECEIPTS,—		£ s. d.	
Passengers, Parcels, &c.	...	151	11 3
Goods and Live Stock	...	69	14 0
Total Revenue	...	£221	5 3

NEW PLYMOUTH SECTION.

		1878.		1877.	
PASSENGERS,—		No.		No.	
1st Class	...	224	...	130	...
2nd Class	...	3,103	...	1,476	...
Total...	...	3,327	...	1,606	...
GOODS,—		Tons cwt. qr.		Tons cwt. qr.	
Wool	...	16	0 0	...	...
Sawn Timber	...	61	0 0	24	0 0
Grain	...	3	0 0	...	...
Merchandise	...	197	0 0	72	0 0
Minerals	...	120	0 0	...	...
Total...	...	397	0 0	96	0 0
LIVE STOCK,—		No.		No.	
Horses and Cattle	...	...	...	...	...
Sheep, Pigs, &c.	...	16	...	...	...
Total	...	16	...	...	...
RECEIPTS,—		£ s. d.		£ s. d.	
Passengers, Parcels, &c.	...	327	11 1	187	9 7
Goods and Live Stock	...	108	19 5	32	8 11
Total...	...	£436	10 6	£219	18 6
Wharf Dues...	...	10	5 5	0	1 6
Total Revenue	...	£446	15 11	£220	0 0

GREYMOUTH SECTION.

		No.	
PASSENGERS,—		No.	
1st Class	...	414	2,025
2nd Class	...	2,635	2,284
Total...	...	3,049	4,309
GOODS,—		Tons cwt. qr.	
Wool	...	1	0 0
Sawn Timber	...	83	0 0
Grain	...	59	0 0
Merchandise	...	165	0 0
Minerals	...	2,550	0 0
Total...	...	2,858	0 0
LIVE STOCK,—		No.	
Horses and Cattle	...	...	...
Sheep, Pigs, &c.	...	...	3
Total...	...	...	3
RECEIPTS,—		£ s. d.	
Passengers, Parcels, &c.	...	175	11 8
Goods and Live Stock	...	355	4 1
Total...	...	£530	15 9
Wharf Dues...	...	191	14 0
Total Revenue	...	£722	9 9
	...	£647	10 5
	...	225	18 9
Total Revenue	...	£873	9 2

WESTPORT SECTION.

		No.	
PASSENGERS,—		No.	
1st Class	...	251	...
2nd Class	...	808	571
Total	...	1,059	571
GOODS,—		Tons cwt. qr.	
Wool	...	...	...
Sawn Timber	...	3	0 0
Grain	...	...	...
Merchandise	...	56	0 0
Minerals	...	45	0 0
Total...	...	104	0 0
LIVE STOCK,—		No.	
Horses and Cattle	...	...	...
Sheep, Pigs, &c.	...	1	...
Total...	...	1	...

WESTPORT SECTION—continued.

	1878.			1877.		
	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
RECEIPTS,—						
Passengers, Parcels, &c....	103	12	8	74	19	9
Goods and Live Stock ...	27	12	3	13	5	6
Total... ..	£131	4	11	£88	5	3
Wharf Dues... ..	0	2	6			
Total Revenue ...	£131	7	5	£88	5	3

NELSON SECTION.

	No.			No.		
PASSENGERS,—						
1st Class	1,866			768		
2nd Class	3,155			2,495		
Total... ..	5,021			3,263		
GOODS,—	Tons	cwt.	qr.	Tons	cwt.	qr.
Wool	49	0	0	...	...	...
Sawn Timber	192	0	0	78	0	0
Grain ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...
Merchandise	142	0	0	279	0	0
Minerals	173	0	0	...	...	...
Total... ..	556	0	0	357	0	0
LIVE STOCK,—	No.			No.		
Horses and Cattle	3			1		
Sheep, Pigs, &c.	7			...		
Total... ..	10			1		
RECEIPTS,—	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Passengers, Parcels, &c. ...	512	7	6	447	7	6
Goods and Live Stock ...	143	15	11	124	3	8
Total Revenue ...	£656	3	5	£571	11	2

PICTON SECTION.

	No.			No.		
PASSENGERS,—						
1st Class	436			382		
2nd Class	1,866			1,489		
Total... ..	2,302			1,871		
GOODS,—	Tons	cwt.	qr.	Tons	cwt.	qr.
Wool	3	0	0	...	...	...
Sawn Timber	439	0	0	452	0	0
Grain	3	0	0	...	...	...
Merchandise	21	0	0	185	0	0
Minerals	288	0	0	...	...	...
Total... ..	754	0	0	637	0	0
LIVE STOCK,—	No.			No.		
Horses and Cattle	2			2		
Sheep, Pigs, &c.	32			20		
Total... ..	34			22		
RECEIPTS,—	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Passengers, Parcels, &c.,	250	19	8	221	8	7
Goods and Live Stock ...	117	11	5	154	3	6
Total... ..	£368	11	1	£375	12	1
Wharf Dues... ..	38	5	7	44	15	5
Total Revenue ...	£406	16	8	£420	7	6

CHRISTCHURCH SECTION.*

	No.			No.		
PASSENGERS,—						
1st Class	16,769			19,488		
2nd Class	52,452			58,008		
Total... ..	69,221			77,496†		
GOODS,—	Tons	cwt.	qr.	Tons	cwt.	qr.
Wool	3,177	0	0	2,926	0	0
Sawn Timber	5,527	0	0	5,208	0	0
Grain	2,463	0	0	1,275	0	0
Merchandise	6,245	0	0	9,016	0	0
Minerals	4,283	0	0	3,903	0	0
Total... ..	21,695	0	0	22,328	0	0

CHRISTCHURCH SECTION—continued.

	1878.			1877.		
	No.			No.		
LIVE STOCK,—						
Horses and Cattle ...	432			...		
Sheep, Pigs, &c. ...	3,173			...		
Total	3,605			...		
RECEIPTS,—	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Passengers, Parcels, &c. ...	11,506	19	11	7,756	5	11
Goods and Live Stock ...	9,434	16	5	10,448	18	9
Total Revenue ...	£20,941	16	4	£18,205	4	8

DUNEDIN SECTION.*

	No.			No.		
PASSENGERS,—						
1st Class	10,508			...		
2nd Class	32,231			...		
Total... ..	42,739			30,065		
GOODS,—	Tons	cwt.	qr.	Tons	cwt.	qr.
Wool	1,870	0	0	...	...	...
Sawn Timber	562	0	0	...	...	...
Grain	772	0	0	...	...	...
Merchandise	2,819	0	0	...	...	...
Minerals	4,981	0	0	...	...	...
Total... ..	11,004	0	0	11,177	0	0
LIVE STOCK,—	No.			No.		
Horses and Cattle ...	145			...		
Sheep, Pigs, &c. ...	1,112			...		
Total	1,257			...		
RECEIPTS,—	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Passengers, Parcels, &c. ...	5,558	4	8	4,139	14	11
Goods and Live Stock ...	4,302	3	6	3,093	17	1
Total Revenue ...	£9,860	8	2	£7,233	12	0

INVERCARGILL SECTION.*

	No.			No.		
PASSENGERS,—						
1st Class	1,730			...		
2nd Class	10,759			...		
Total... ..	12,489			7,955		
GOODS,—	Tons	cwt.	qr.	Tons	cwt.	qr.
Wool	900	0	0	...	...	...
Sawn Timber	1,471	0	0	...	...	...
Grain	213	0	0	...	...	...
Merchandise	900	0	0	...	...	...
Minerals	1,646	0	0	...	...	...
Total... ..	5,130	0	0	3,298	0	0
LIVE STOCK,—	No.			No.		
Horses and Cattle ...	31			...		
Sheep, Pigs, &c. ...	283			...		
Total... ..	314			...		
RECEIPTS,—	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Passengers, Parcels, &c....	2,357	6	5	1,330	16	4
Goods and Live Stock ...	2,216	0	8	2,272	9	1
Total Revenue ...	£4,573	7	1	£3,603	5	5

JOHN CARRUTHERS,
Engineer-in-Chief.

February, 1878.

* Average taken for four weeks 1877.
† The apparent excess in 1877 is due to the fact that return tickets and all Saturday tickets were counted as two passengers.

RAILWAYS WORKING ACCOUNT.

SHOWING the Total Revenue and Expenditure during the Financial Year 1877-78, to the termination of the Four-weekly Period ending 12th January.

RAILWAYS.

Section.	Length open for Traffic.	Total Revenue to Date.		Total Expenditure to Date.		Percentage of Expenditure to Revenue.	FOR A TWELVE-MONTHLY PERIOD, AVERAGE TO DATE.			
		Revenue per Mile of Railway open.		Expenditure per Mile of Railway open.						
		£	s. d.	£	s. d.	£	s. d.	£	s. d.	
Kaipara*	16	1,721	11 11	2,311	6 0	134.25	199	16 7	268	5 5
Auckland*	87	17,041	1 9	12,779	14 11	74.99	440	17 3	330	12 5
Napier	59	12,274	13 11	9,436	10 2	76.87	386	7 5	297	0 7
Wellington	28	7,400	11 4	5,818	3 11	78.61	670	8 7	527	1 7
Foxton*	40	4,605	8 11	4,610	16 11	100.11	213	16 5	214	1 6
Wanganui†	21	1,046	19 6	2,180	10 7	208.27	92	11 9	192	16 7
New Plymouth*	21	2,263	17 3	2,473	8 9	109.25	200	4 1	218	14 9
Greymouth*	8	3,174	8 10	2,826	18 6	89.05	736	18 6	656	5 0
Westport†	19	673	11 11	683	5 8	101.43	99	10 0	100	18 9
Nelson	20	3,047	7 0	3,145	4 11	103.21	292	19 6	292	1 0
Picton*	18	2,299	9 8	2,665	3 2	115.90	237	4 11	274	19 6
Christchurch	381	126,995	6 1	100,227	8 3	78.92	620	3 9	489	9 2
Dunedin	104	48,900	4 5	38,075	19 1	77.86	1,049	0 3	816	16 2
Invercargill	140	21,793	9 1	16,885	15 1	77.48	303	19 8	235	10 7
	962	253,238	1 7	204,120	5 11	80.60	...	...	...	...

WHARVES.

Section.	Kaipara.	Auckland.	Foxton.	New Plymouth.	Greymouth.	Picton.
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Revenue	293 15 8	484 3 10	583 16 10	99 15 2	1,284 8 4	401 0 3
Expenditure	234 2 3	82 5 1	371 4 6	80 14 11	364 15 5	95 3 1

* The revenue from wharves is not included.

† These results are abnormal; neither of these lines is yet doing its proper traffic.

Public Works Office,
February, 1878.

JOHN CARRUTHERS,
Engineer-in-Chief.

Member of House of Representatives elected.

Clerk of the Writs' Office,
Wellington, 22nd February, 1878.

THE Clerk of the Writs has received a Return to the Writ issued by him on the seventh day of February, 1878, for the election of a Member to serve in the House of Representatives of New Zealand, for the electoral district hereinafter specified; and by the indorsement on such Writ it appears that the under-mentioned gentleman has been duly elected Member of such district, viz.,—

For the District of the City of Wellington:

GEORGE ELLIOTT BARTON.

G. S. COOPER,

Clerk of the Writs.

Member of House of Representatives elected.

Clerk of the Writs' Office,
Wellington, 25th February, 1878.

THE Clerk of the Writs has received a Return to the Writ issued by him on the 7th day of February, 1878, for the election of a Member to serve in the House of Representatives of New Zealand, for the electoral district hereinafter specified; and by the indorsement on such Writ it appears that the under-mentioned gentleman has been duly elected Member for such district, viz.,—

For the District of Parnell:

FREDERICK JOSEPH MOSS.

G. S. COOPER,

Clerk of the Writs.

Money Order and Savings Bank Office opened.

General Post Office,
Wellington, 20th February, 1878.

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

WAITARA,

(Chief Office New Plymouth.)

from and after 1st March next.

By order.

W. GRAY,

Secretary.

OFFICIATING MINISTERS FOR 1878.—NOTICE No. 5.

Registrar-General's Office,
Wellington, 26th February, 1878.

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

Baptists.

The Reverend ALEXANDER JOHN HAMILTON.

WM. R. E. BROWN,

Registrar-General.

REGISTER OF MEDICAL PRACTITIONERS FOR 1877.

THE following entry in the Register of Medical Practitioners was erroneously omitted from the List of Medical Practitioners forwarded for publication in the *New Zealand Gazette* No. 9, of the 24th January, 1878:—

Date of Registration.	Name.	Qualification.	Residence.
1870, Jan. 1	Corse, James.	Registered under Otago Act. Registered under "Medical Practitioners Act, 1867"	Cromwell, Otago.

Registrar-General's Office,
Wellington, 22nd February, 1878.

WM. R. E. BROWN,
Registrar-General.

Sheep Inspector's Notice.

Crown Lands Office,
Wellington, 26th February, 1878.

NOTICE has been received from the Inspector of Sheep for the East Coast District that he has granted a clean certificate for a mixed flock of sheep, about 2,000, belonging to Mr. Robert Langdon, Ngapapoto, dated 19th February, 1878.

JOS. G. HOLDSWORTH,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Manawatu Land Orders.

NOTICE is hereby given that on the 30th day of November, 1877, an Act was passed by the General Assembly of New Zealand, intituled "An Act to provide for the satisfaction of certain Land Orders issued by the New Zealand Company, and theretofore exercised in the Manawatu or Horowhenua Districts, within the aforesaid Company's settlement at Wellington."

The attention of every person claiming under such land orders as aforesaid is drawn to the provisions of the said Act next following, that is to say,—

Every person claiming land within the Provincial District of Wellington under any land order originally issued by the New Zealand Company, and which has been exercised in the Manawatu or Horowhenua Districts, must within twelve months from the 30th November, 1877, if he be a resident in the colony, and within two years from such date if he be resident elsewhere, give notice in writing, by himself or his agent, to the Commissioner appointed for the District of Wellington, under the Ordinance of the Legislative Council of the Islands of New Zealand, Session XI., No. 15, for the hearing and decision of his claim under the provisions of the said Act; and, at the time of making his application for the satisfaction of his claim, must lodge with the Commissioner the original land order under which he claims to be entitled to select any section of land, unless such land order shall previously have been lodged with the Commissioner. No claim can be heard and determined until such original land order is lodged, or proof of the loss given to the satisfaction of the Commissioner.

The Commissioner will report to the Governor the name of the person found to be entitled to land under any particular land order, the particular number thereof, the fact of such land order having been lodged with him or of his having received satisfactory proof of the loss thereof, and the amount in value stated in such land order: such report is to be considered and approved by the Governor in Council and forthwith published in the *New Zealand Gazette*, with the date of the approval attached thereto. Notification of the Governor's approval is a sufficient

warrant to the Commissioner to issue, to the persons named in such approved report as being entitled to land, scrip for the amount of money originally paid for the land order under which any such persons have been found to be entitled, together with compensation to the amount of one pound for every one pound sterling represented by such land order added thereto; so that every person found entitled shall receive two pounds in value for every twenty shillings in value to which he shall have been found entitled, except in cases of lost land orders, in which case proceedings must be taken under "The Lost Land Orders Act, 1861."

No scrip can be delivered by the Commissioner until the land order in satisfaction of which such scrip is issued has been cancelled by him.

Upon the receipt of scrip all the right, title, interest, claim, and demand of the person to whom the same is issued, and of all other persons whatsoever, to the land in respect of which scrip shall have been issued, is extinguished. And the issue of such scrip is, both at law and in equity, a full and complete performance by the Crown, on behalf of the New Zealand Company, of the contract or obligation of the Company in respect of which such scrip shall have been issued.

All such scrip to be issued under the authority of the said Act is transferable, and is receivable as cash by the Receiver of Land Revenue in or towards the purchase of waste lands of the Crown in any part of the Provincial District of Wellington, but not elsewhere, and must be exercised within five years from the date of its issue. Claims for the exercise of scrip not made within such period of five years are barred.

The Commissioner cannot entertain or investigate any claims in which the claimant shall not have notified his intention to have his claim heard and decided under the provisions of the said Act, within the time limited for making such application. All claimants failing to avail themselves of the provisions of the said Act are barred, and their claim extinguished by reason of such default.

Claimants not resident within the Colony of New Zealand should forthwith appoint a duly authorized agent to do and perform whatever may be requisite to obtain the benefit of the said Act.

Dated at Wellington, this fourth day of January, 1878.

DAVID LEWIS,
A Commissioner for the purposes of the
above-referred-to Act.

LAND TO BE TAKEN FOR ROAD PURPOSES.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Wairoa Highway Board propose to take from Section 161, Okotuku District, for the purpose of a road, land one chain wide, commencing at the north-west corner

of Section 160, and ending at or about three chains south of the Kahi Stream. Plans of the land proposed to be taken will lie open for inspection at Mr. John McLean's residence, Okotuku. Also that the Wairoa Highway Board propose to make a side cutting 2½ chains long, and a block cutting 3¼ chains long, and for such purpose require to take from Section 449 (Education Reserve), Okotuku District, land one chain wide, commencing about two chains north of the south-west corner of Section 426, and running in a north-westerly and north-easterly direction about six chains till its intersection with the Government surveyed road. Plans of the proposed work and the land to be taken will lie open for inspection at Mr. John McLean's residence, Okotuku. All persons affected are hereby required to set forth in writing well-grounded objections to the taking of such land, and to send such writing within forty days from the first publication hereof to the above-named Wairoa Highway Board.

As witness the seal of the Wairoa Highway Board, this 22nd day of February, 1878.
(L.S.) The seal of the Wairoa Highway Board was affixed to this notice by me pursuant to a resolution of the said Board.

GEO. S. BRIDGE,
Chairman.

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THE Mount Somers Road Board hereby notify that, in accordance with the provisions of "The Public Works Act, 1876," it is their intention to abandon the existing road through R.S. 9313 and R.S. 9314, Ashburton Gorge, and in lieu thereof to acquire such portion of the aforesaid sections as shown and set forth in plan and description now lying for inspection at the Road Board Office, Mount Somers; and all persons thereby affected are called upon to set forth in writing any well-grounded objections to the taking of such lands, and to send the same within forty days of the date hereof to the Chairman of the Road Board, Mount Somers.

By order.

J. C. BELL,

130 Clerk to Mount Somers Road Board.

TO THE MINING REGISTRAR OF THE OTAGO MINING DISTRICT, AND ALL OTHER PERSONS WHOM IT MAY CONCERN.

Montechristo, Clyde,
28th January, 1878.

TAKE NOTICE that it is intended to construct a Water-Race and divert three Government heads of water, to be used for domestic, industrial, irrigation, and finally for gold-mining purposes (when not required for the aforesaid domestic, industrial, and irrigation), commencing at a point in the gorge in the Waikerikeri Creek, close to the head of James Holt's Race, and terminating above the Dunstan Hospital, on the east bank of the Molyneux.

The length of such race is eight (8) miles or thereabout, and its intended course is in conjunction with James Holt's Race from the starting point as far as Section 69, Block II., Leaning Rock District, or thereabout; thence through said Sections 69, 68, 67, 45, 44, 43, 42, and 41 of said block, held by the freehold in the Waikerikeri Valley; and thence in conjunction again with James Holt's Race, as far as Williams Pound Farm; and thence through said farm across the public road to Montechristo Farm; and thence to the point of destination through the Dunstan Flat, on the Molyneux River.

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JEAN DE'SIRE' FERAUD.

WAITAKI COUNTY COUNCIL.

NOTICE.—I hereby proclaim the following Roads to be County Roads, viz.,—

1. The Road extending from Kakanui Harbour South to Maheno Township.
2. The Road from junction of roads at Sections 7, 8, and 10, Block II., Papakaio District, to northern boundary of Section 15, Block I., same district, and known as Papakaio Pre-emptive Road.

ROBERT CAMPBELL,
Chairman, Waitaki County Council.

20th February, 1878.

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LAND TRANSFER ACT NOTICE.

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.

3047. WILLIAM COCKERILL BESWICK.—23 acres, part of Rural Section 1721, Timaru District. Occupied by James Shears.

3346. BENJAMIN HALE and ROBERT FORBES.—1 rood 8 perches, part of Lot 9, Christchurch Town Reserves. Unoccupied.

3347. BENJAMIN HALE.—16 perches, part of Sections 911 and 913, Christchurch City. Unoccupied.

3359. JAMES SHEARS.—1 acre 1 rood, part of Rural Section 1606, Timaru District. Occupied by Applicant.

3379. MICHAEL GEOGHEGAN.—3 acres 1 rood 31 perches, part of Rural Section 69, Christchurch District. Occupied by Applicant.

3415. ROBERT BELGRAVE.—¼ perch, part of Section 7, Town of Lyttelton. Unoccupied.

Diagrams may be inspected at this office.

Dated this 22nd day of February, 1878, at the Lands Registry Office, Christchurch.

R. W. D'O'LY,
District Land Registrar.

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STATEMENT of the Affairs of the Union Quartz-Mining Company (Limited), for the half-year ended 31st December, 1877, in accordance with section 135 of "The Mining Companies Act, 1872."

Name of Company: The Union Quartz-Mining Company (Limited).

When formed, and date of registration: 10th March, 1877; 2nd July, 1877.

Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Broadway, Reefton; Louis Davies.

Nominal capital: £12,000.

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

Number of shares in which capital is divided: 12,000.

Number of shares taken: 12,000.

Amount of calls made: £550.

Total amount of subscribed capital paid up: £232 16s. 7d.

Number of shareholders at time of registration of Company: 20.

Amount of cash in hand: Nil.

Whether in operation or not: In operation.

Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.

Number of shares unallotted: Nil.

L. DAVIES,
Manager.

31st December, 1877.

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ABSTRACT of METEOROLOGICAL OBSERVATIONS, New Zealand, for the Month of SEPTEMBER, 1877.

STATIONS.	BAROMETER. Corrected and Reduced to Sea Level.		TEMPERATURE FROM SELF-REGISTERING INSTRUMENTS, READ IN MORNING FOR TWENTY-FOUR HOURS PREVIOUSLY.						COMPUTED FROM OBSERVATIONS.		RAIN.		WIND.		LOUD.	
	Mean Reading	Extr'me Range.	In Shade.			Max. Temp. in Sun's Rays.	Min. Temp. on Grass.	Mean Elastic Force of Vapour.	Mean Deg. of Moist. (Satur- ation= 100.)	Total Fall in Month (inches)	No. of Days on which Rain fell.	Average Daily Force in Miles for Month.	Maximum Velocity in Miles in any 24 hours, and Date.	Mean Amount for Month (0 to 10)		
			Mean Temp.	Mean Daily Range.	Extremes.											
			Max. Temp.	Min. Temp.	Range.											
MONGONUI ... Previous 11 years	30.109 29.985	.828 ...	56.5 55.9	16.5 ...	70.0 ...	41.0 ...	29.0 ...	149.0...	...	.351 .361	77 80	1.670 4.652	17 18	174	370, 17th	5.4
AUCKLAND ... Previous 13 years	30.096 29.938	.799 ...	53.2 54.7	14.3 ...	67.9 ...	40.9 ...	27.0 ...	133.5 ...	31.4...	.324 .344	80 78	2.575 3.643	21 17	285	722, 17th	7.0
TARANAKI ... Previous 13 years	30.072 29.908	.950 ...	51.9 53.0	17.4 ...	65.0 ...	35.0 ...	30.0 ...	125.0 ...	30.0...	.299 .314	77 76	4.860 4.536	15 14	229	470, 17th	6.3
NAPIER ... Previous 9 years	30.006 29.922	.993 ...	52.7 53.8	16.8 ...	73.0 ...	37.0 ...	36.0 ...	128.0 ...	33.0...	.261 .334	66 78	1.060 1.542	7 10	223	467, 17th	2.0
WELLINGTON ... Previous 13 years	29.986 29.882	1.067 ...	51.4 51.1	15.6 ...	66.0 ...	35.5 ...	30.5 ...	130.0 ...	29.0...	.299 .281	79 75	2.150 4.489	11 15	208	600, 14th	4.6
WANGANUI ... Previous 5 years	30.007 29.938	...	51.3 50.1	...	...	...	...	...	...	.278 .287	73 80	3.787 2.660	12 8	...	...	...
NELSON ... Previous 13 years	29.864 30.070	1.046 .890	51.2 52.0	20.0 11.8	65.0 67.5	31.0 40.0	34.0 26.7	132.0...	...	.312 .310	76 80	6.410 .590	9 6	422	927, 14th	6.0
CAPE CAMPBELL ... Previous 3 years	29.870 29.950	...	53.0 48.2	...	...	...	...	...	15.6	.289 .236	74 70	3.070 .670	12 7	180	467, 2nd	6.1
CHRISTCHURCH ... Previous 13 years	29.883 29.735	1.256 1.083	48.6 41.8	20.1 16.7	72.5 59.5	26.7 22.0	45.8 37.5	133.0 125.0	15.6 12.3	.275 .168	78 65	1.651 5.930	10 13	185	365, 13th	4.3
BEALEY ... Previous 9 years	29.843 30.002	...	41.6 48.7	...	...	...	...	...	...	.220 .291	84 83	8.779 7.520	16 16	...	...	...
HOKITIKA ... Previous 11 years	29.947 29.718	1.079 1.303	49.1 46.6	14.1 14.9	60.6 63.0	30.4 30.0	30.2 33.0	134.0 100.0	25.0 26.0	.304 .239	84 76	7.355 2.090	14 10	147	288, 16th	6.0
DUNEDIN ... Previous 12 years	29.848 29.903	...	47.3 46.4	...	...	...	...	...	...	.245 .196	75 62	2.380 2.360	12 10	208	680, 18th	4.9
QUEENSTOWN ... Previous 5 years	29.858 29.870	1.240 1.100	44.8 46.0	17.0 16.0	65.9 66.0	28.2 30.0	37.7 36.0	...	...	.210 ...	71 ...	3.282 3.210	12 21	112	293, 1st	4.9
SOUTHLAND ... Previous 12 years	29.870 29.815	1.100 ...	44.8 47.1	16.0 ...	66.0 ...	30.0 ...	36.0 ...	126.0...	...	.210 .235	71 71	3.282 2.473	12 11	231	496, 14th	7.0

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

NOTES FOR SEPTEMBER, 1877.

Mongonui.—Fine weather, with prevailing westerly winds, and often squally; thunder on 5th and 16th; hail on 16th and fog on 26th; maximum rainfall recorded on 23rd, .41 in.

Auckland.—Showery generally, but small total rainfall, the maximum recorded on 15th, .560 in.; strong S.W. winds early part and middle of month, light W. and S.W. towards end; hail on 16th; fog on 30th.

Taranaki.—Showery weather; maximum rainfall recorded on 5th, 1.99 in.; prevailing S.W. winds and strong from 13th to 19th.

Napier.—Fine throughout; a few showers generally during nights, the maximum rainfall registered on 11th, .38 in.; strong wind from S.E. on 3rd, and from S. to S.W. on 17th and 19th; prevailing S.W. wind.

Wellington.—On 1st cold wet day, wind S.W. with hail and slight thunder, very stormy at night, continued stormy from same quarter on 2nd; fine until 10th, when it rained and blew cold from S.E. and S.W., .60 in. rain recorded on 11th, the maximum for month; stormy on 13th from N.W., increasing to a gale at night, and also stormy and wet on morning of 14th, N.W.; threatening on 16th during day, and at 7 p.m. sudden change from N.W. to S.W., with violent squalls of rain and hail, which abated during night; fine for remainder of month, though weather dark and threatening at times to S.E., but clearing off without rain; on night of 23th strong N.W. wind; snow on hills across harbour on 11th; on the whole fine weather, with small rainfall for time of year.

Wanganui.—

Nelson.—Fine weather generally, with prevailing S.W. winds, frequently changing to N.W. and back to S. again, often strong; maximum rain recorded on 6th, .59 in.

Cape Campbell.—Very dry weather, with strong W. and N.W. winds, frequent gales; maximum rain recorded on 15th, .30 in.

Christchurch.—S.W. gale on 1st and 2nd, with beating rain and hail, weather remaining unsettled until 5th, then fine to 9th; on 7th strong N.W. wind; 10th, stormy with sleet and hail S.W.; fine from 11th to 16th when it became stormy from S.W.; from 18th to end of month fine and settled weather; maximum rain recorded on 10th, .20 in., very small total rainfall; prevailing winds N.E. and S.W.

Bealey.—Showery up to 17th, with an occasional bright day; remainder of month very fine, warm, pleasant weather; greatest rainfall recorded on 14th, 2.170 in.; thunder on 14th and 16th; snow on five days; fog on 23rd, prevailing N.E. wind, often strong.

Hokitika.—Up to 18th very showery and unpleasant weather, the maximum rain recorded on 14th, 1.76 in.; wind chiefly westerly and strong on 1st, 13th, 14th, and 16th; thunder on 14th, and hail on 14th and 16th; fog on 1st; remainder of month much finer, though heavy rain recorded on 29th, 1.23 in.; prevailing S.W. winds throughout.

Dunedin.—Weather generally fine, except from 14th to 18th, when heavy S.W. gales occurred; snow fell on 16th and 17th, a good deal on latter date; greatest rain recorded on 10th, .58 in.; prevailing S.W. wind.

Queenstown.—First part of month changeable; on 13th barometer fell nearly one inch, when bad weather was experienced, wind N.W., heavy fall of snow lasting to 14th; snow also on hills on 1st and 9th; on 17th barometer rose and fine weather prevailed to end of month; maximum rain recorded on 14th, .95 in.; prevailing wind from westward; fog on 23rd and 24th; hail on 14th.

Southland.—From 1st to 18th wet, stormy, and cold, wind westerly; a gale on 14th from S.W. was followed by snow on 15th, hail on six days; thunder on 8th, finer towards end of month; maximum rain recorded on 16th, .70 in.; prevailing S.W. and N.W. winds.

GENERAL REMARKS.

Very small rainfall during this month as compared with that for same period in former years; the atmospheric pressure was generally higher, and the temperature about the average on the whole; some strong winds were experienced from westward, but generally the weather for the time of year was fine. Earthquakes were felt at Wellington on the 15th between 8 and 9 a.m., slight; on 22nd at 4.40 p.m. two smart shocks with rumbling noise, and on 29th at 1.50 a.m. a slight movement; also at Rakaia on 16th a shock reported.

J. HECTOR, Inspector.

REGISTRAR-GENERAL'S REPORT on the Vital Statistics of the Boroughs of Auckland, Thames, Wellington, Nelson, Christchurch, Dunedin, and Hokitika, for the Year 1877.

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TABLE showing the Total Number of Births, the actual Mortality of Males and Females, and the Proportion of Deaths to 1,000 of Population, in the Boroughs of Auckland, Thames, Wellington, Nelson, Christchurch, Dunedin, and Hokitika, during the Year ending 31st December, 1877.

Boroughs.	Estimated Mean Population for 1877.	Total Births.	Deaths.						Total Deaths.	Proportion of Deaths to the 1,000 of Population.
			Males.			Females.				
			Under 1 Year.	1 and under 5 Years.	5 Years and over.	Under 1 Year.	1 and under 5 Years.	5 Years and over.		
Auckland	12,646	585	32	18	76	28	9	48	211	16.68
Thames	4,466	229	10	5	21	9	1	9	55	12.32
Wellington	17,334	888	60	22	105	70	25	56	338	19.50
Nelson	5,602	238	16	3	37	5	7	27	95	16.96
Christchurch	13,164	602	43	17	59	39	6	40	204	15.50
Dunedin	24,438	946	44	33	124	39	20	79	339	13.87
Hokitika	2,738	130	6	16	20	6	18	21	87	31.78
Totals ... ..	...	3,618	211	114	442	196	86	280	1,329	...

THE NEW ZEALAND GAZETTE.

THE following Table shows the Causes of the Deaths of Persons of both Sexes under 5 Years of Age and 5 Years and upwards, and the Proportion per Cent. of Deaths from each cause, in the Boroughs named, and that were Registered, during the Year ending 31st December, 1877.

Class.	Cause of Death.	Auckland.		Thames.		Wellington.		Nelson.		Christchurch.		Dunedin.		Hokitika.		Total.	Proportion per Cent.
		Under 5 Years.	5 Years and over.	Under 5 Years.	5 Years and over.	Under 5 Years.	5 Years and over.	Under 5 Years.	5 Years and over.	Under 5 Years.	5 Years and over.	Under 5 Years.	5 Years and over.	Under 5 Years.	5 Years and over.		
I.	Zymotic Diseases	40	17	3	6	85	30	17	9	38	13	55	50	33	13	409	30.78
II.	Constitutional Diseases	6	23	1	6	13	28	2	14	9	25	11	52	3	4	197	14.82
III.	Local Diseases	27	71	15	13	31	73	5	35	35	48	46	88	5	19	511	38.45
IV.	Developmental Diseases	13	9	6	...	41	11	7	1	18	1	19	6	5	2	139	10.46
V.	Violent Deaths	1	4	...	2	7	18	...	5	5	9	3	6	...	3	63	4.74
	Not specified. ... ..	...	...	...	3	...	1	...	...	...	3	2	1	...	...	10	0.75
	Totals	87	124	25	30	177	161	31	64	105	99	136	203	46	41	1,329	100.00

DEATHS of both Sexes, from Different Causes, in the under-mentioned Boroughs of the Colony, registered during the year 1877, specifying Classes, Orders, and Diseases.

Class.	Causes of Death.		Auckland.	Thames.	Wellington.	Nelson.	Christchurch.	Dunedin.	Hokitika.	Total.	
	Orders, Diseases, &c.										
I.—ZYMOTIC DISEASES.	ORDER 1.— <i>Miasmatic Diseases.</i>										
	Smallpox	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Measles	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Scarlet Fever	...	1	...	...	3	55	40	...	99
	Diphtheria	...	6	...	4	...	4	5	...	19	
	Quinsy	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Croup	...	7	...	5	5	1	4	1	23	
	Whooping Cough	...	4	...	31	...	3	7	...	45	
	a. Typhus Fever	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	1
	b. Typhoid Fever	...	6	2	10	3	5	5	...	31	
	c. Simple Fever	...	...	1	...	1	...	...	...	2
	Erysipelas	...	1	...	3	1	1	1	1	8	
	Puerperal Fever...	...	1	...	...	1	...	1	...	3
	Influenza, Catarrh	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Dysentery	...	1	...	6	1	1	3	...	12	
	Diarrhoea	...	17	3	35	8	26	10	4	103	
	Cholera	...	...	...	2	...	1	...	...	3
	Remittent Fever	...	...	2	...	...	1	...	...	3
	Rheumatism	...	1	1	1	1	2	2	...	8	
	Others	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
		Total Order 1	...	45	9	98	21	48	93	46	360
		ORDER 2.— <i>Enthetic Diseases.</i>									
		Syphilis	...	4	...	1	3	...	8
		Stricture of Urethra	1	1
		Glanders
	Total Order 2	...	4	...	1	...	...	4	...	9
	ORDER 3.— <i>Dietic Diseases.</i>										
	Privation	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Want of Breast Milk	...	3	...	6	5	1	1	...	16	
	Purpura and Scurvy	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	1
	Alcoholism { Delirium Tremens	...	...	...	1	...	1	3	...	5
	Intemperance	...	...	...	4	...	1	3	...	8
	Total Order 3	...	3	...	12	5	3	7	...	30	
	ORDER 4.— <i>Parasitic Diseases.</i>										
	Thrush	...	4	...	1	...	...	...	...	5
	Worms	...	1	...	3	...	...	1	...	5
	Total Order 4	...	5	...	4	...	...	1	...	10
	Total Class I.	...	57	9	115	26	51	105	46	409	
II.—CONSTITUTIONAL DISEASES.	ORDER 1.— <i>Diathetic Diseases.</i>										
	Gout	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Dropsy	...	...	...	...	1	2	1	...	4
	Cancer	...	5	1	7	3	4	8	1	29	
	Cancrum Oris	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
	Mortification	...	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	3
	Total Order 1	...	9	1	7	4	6	9	1	37	
	ORDER 2.— <i>Tubercular Diseases.</i>										
	Scrofula	...	4	1	1	2	3	2	...	13	
	Tabes Mesenterica	...	3	...	9	...	6	1	1	20	
	Phthisis	...	9	4	20	9	15	41	3	101	
	Hydrocephalus	...	4	1	4	1	4	9	2	25	
	Others	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	1
	Total Order 2	...	20	6	34	12	28	54	6	160	
	Total Class II.	...	29	7	41	16	34	63	7	197	
III.—LOCAL DISEASES.	ORDER 1.— <i>Diseases of the Nervous System.</i>										
	Cephalitis	...	3	2	6	3	7	8	1	30	
	Apoplexy	...	13	2	8	5	9	7	2	46	
	Paralysis	...	8	...	6	4	1	3	3	25	
	Insanity	...	...	...	2	1	...	2	...	5
	Chorea	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Epilepsy	...	4	...	1	2	...	1	1	9	
	Convulsions	...	3	4	10	...	6	9	2	34	
	Brain Disease, &c.	...	1	...	2	1	2	7	2	15	
	Total Order 1	...	32	8	35	16	25	37	11	164	

DEATHS of both Sexes, from Different Causes, in the under-mentioned Boroughs of the Colony, registered during the year 1877, specifying Classes, Orders, and Diseases—*continued.*

Class.	Causes of Death.	Auckland.	Thames.	Wellington.	Nelson.	Christchurch.	Dunedin.	Hokitika.	Total.
	Orders, Diseases, &c.								
III.—LOCAL DISEASES— <i>continued.</i>	ORDER 2.—Diseases of the Organs of Circulation.								
	Pericarditis	1	...	1
	Aneurism	3	...	3	1	2	2	1	12
	Heart Disease, &c.	9	1	15	10	13	22	4	74
	Total Order 2	12	1	18	11	15	25	5	87
	ORDER 3.—Diseases of the Respiratory System.								
	Laryngitis	2	...	1	3	...	6
	Bronchitis	7	5	7	4	15	20	1	59
	Pleurisy	3	1	2	...	6
	Pneumonia	15	5	12	1	6	15	...	54
	Asthma	2	...	1	...	1	4
	Lung Disease	1	...	3	...	4	5	1	14
	Total Order 3	28	10	25	5	27	45	3	143
	ORDER 4.—Diseases of the Digestive Organs.								
	Gastritis	2	1	...	1	1	5
	Enteritis	7	3	8	4	1	23
	Peritonitis	2	1	2	1	1	4	...	11
	Ascites	1	1
	Ulceration of Intestines	1	1
	Hernia	2	...	1	1	...	4
Ileus ... ..	...	...	2	1	...	1	...	4
Intussusception	1	...	...	...	...	1	...	2
Stricture of Intestines ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Stomach Disease, &c.	2	...	...	1	2	1	1	7
Hepatitis	1	1	3	2	...	1	2	10	
Jaundice ... ..	...	...	3	...	...	...	...	3
Liver Disease	4	1	5	...	1	5	1	17	
Spleen Disease ... ..	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	1
Total Order 4	22	7	17	6	14	18	5	89	
ORDER 5.—Diseases of the Urinary Organs.									
Nephritis ... ..	...	1	1	...	1	...	...	3
Bright's Disease	2	...	4	...	...	5	...	11
Diabetes ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Cystitis ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Kidney Disease, &c.	1	...	4	1	...	2	...	8	
Total Order 5	3	1	9	1	1	7	...	22	
ORDER 6.—Diseases of the Organs of Generation.									
Uterine Disease... ..	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
Total Order 6	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
ORDER 7.—Diseases of the Locomotive System.									
Synovitis ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Joint Disease ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	1
Total Order 7 ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	1
ORDER 8.—Diseases of Integumentary System.									
Phlegmon ... ..	...	1	...	...	...	1	...	2
Ulcer ... ..	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	1
Skin Disease ... ..	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	1
Total Order 8 ... ..	...	1	...	1	1	1	...	4
Total Class III.	98	28	104	40	83	134	24	511	
IV.—DEVELOPMENTAL DISEASES.	ORDER 1.—Developmental Diseases of Children.								
	Premature Birth	4	...	12	5	5	9	2	37
	Cyanosis	1	1
	Spina Bifida
	Other Malformations	1	1	1	...	3
	Teething	1	...	10	1	3	2	...	17
	Others	1	...	1	1	3
Total Order 1	7	1	24	6	8	12	3	61	

DEATHS of both Sexes, from Different Causes, in the under-mentioned Boroughs of the Colony, registered during the year 1877, specifying Classes, Orders, and Diseases—*continued.*

Class.	Causes of Death.	Auckland.	Thames.	Wellington.	Nelson.	Christchurch.	Dunedin.	Hokitika.	Total.
	Orders, Diseases, &c.								
IV.—DEVELOPMENTAL DISEASES— <i>contd.</i>	ORDER 2.—Developmental Diseases of Adults.								
	Childbirth	4	...	...	...	...	2	...	6
	Others ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	1
	Total Order 2	4	...	...	...	...	3	...	7
	ORDER 3.—Developmental Diseases of Old People.								
	Old Age	4	...	5	1	1	3	1	15
	ORDER 4.—Diseases of Nutrition.								
	Atrophy and Debility	7	5	23	1	10	7	3	56
	Total Class IV.	22	6	52	8	19	25	7	139
	V.—VIOLENCE.	ORDER 1.—Accident or Negligence.							
Fractures, &c.		3	2	9	3	8	3	...	28
Gunshot Wound ... ..		...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Cut, Stab, &c. ... ..		...	...	...	1	1	1	...	3
Burns and Scalds		1	...	9	...	...	2	3	15
Poisoned ... ..		...	...	1	...	1	1	...	3
Drowning ... ..		...	...	1	...	...	...	...	1
Suffocation		1	...	...	1	2	...	...	4
Others (causes not specified) ... ..		...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Total Order 1		5	2	20	5	12	7	3	54
ORDER 3.—Homicide.									
Murder and Manslaughter ... ..		...	...	...	...	1	1	...	2
ORDER 4.—Suicide.									
Gunshot Wound ... ..		...	...	2	...	...	...	...	2
Cut, Stab ... ..		...	...	1	...	...	...	...	1
Poison ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Drowning ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Hanging ... ..	...	...	2	...	1	1	...	4	
Others (causes not specified) ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Total Order 4 ... ..	...	...	5	...	1	1	...	7	
Total Class V.	5	2	25	5	14	9	3	63	
Causes not defined ... ..	...	3	1	...	3	3	...	10	
General Totals	211	55	338	95	204	339	87	1,329	

The number of births registered in these boroughs in 1877 amounted to 3,618, against 3,637 in 1876; a decrease of 19 on the number of births in 1876. The deaths in 1877 amounted to 1,329, against 1,482 in 1876; a decrease in 1877 of 153 deaths, or at the rate of 10.3 per cent. The death-rates were considerably lower in Auckland and in Christchurch in 1877 than in 1876, having fallen in Auckland from 24.93 per 1,000 of population to 16.68, and in Christchurch from 22.63 to 15.50. The deaths in Dunedin decreased from 17.24 per 1,000 of population to 13.87; but in Hokitika, in consequence of the large number of deaths from scarlet fever (numbering 40, or 46 per cent. of the total deaths in the borough), the rate rose from 17.77 to 31.78. In Wellington the rate varied little, but remained somewhat high, having been 19.74 in 1876, and 19.50 in 1877.

The deaths in the boroughs of children under 1 year amounted in 1877 to 407, or 11.25 per cent. of the births, against 13.77 per cent. in 1876, and 18 per cent. in 1875. The deaths under 1 year amounted to 30.62 per cent. of the total deaths, against 33.8 in 1876, and 30.8 in 1875.

The rates of infant mortality in each borough were for the last three years as follows:—

DEATHS OF CHILDREN UNDER ONE YEAR TO EVERY 100 BIRTHS.

	1875.	1876.	1877.		1875.	1876.	1877.
Auckland	21.6	15.2	10.3	Christchurch	18.4	19.3	13.6
Thames	21.3	6.5	8.3	Dunedin	13.4	10.9	8.8
Wellington	15.8	15.2	14.6	Hokitika	16.7	16.1	9.2
Nelson	18.0	10.3	8.8				

The following table shows the deaths in the boroughs during 1877 and 1876 from certain diseases:—

	Scarlet Fever.		Dysentery and Diarrhoea.		Typhus and Typhoid Fever.		Phthisis.		Diseases of Respiratory Organs.	
	1876.	1877.	1876.	1877.	1876.	1877.	1876.	1877.	1876.	1877.
Auckland	...	1	31	18	14	6	20	9	37	28
Thames	6	...	6	3	...	2	6	4	4	10
Wellington	11	...	48	41	12	11	20	20	28	25
Nelson	...	...	1	9	3	3	7	9	8	5
Christchurch	10	3	48	27	8	5	17	15	19	27
Dunedin	51	55	42	13	6	5	35	41	41	45
Hokitika	...	40	8	4	1	...	1	3	6	3

There were not any deaths in the boroughs from measles in either 1877 or 1876, although in 1875 there were 126 deaths from that cause. In 1877 nearly all the deaths from scarlet fever were confined to Dunedin and Hokitika, the mortality in those places from that cause having been heavy.

Typhus and typhoid fevers caused 32 deaths in the boroughs in 1877, against 44 in 1876. Of these deaths the largest number in any locality occurred in Wellington, the number having been 11; but still one less than in 1876.

Registrar-General's Office,
Wellington, 26th February, 1878.

Wm. R. E. BROWN,
Registrar-General.

LAND TRANSFER ACT NOTICE.

WHEREAS a declaration has been lodged with me by EDWARD WEBBY, of the District of Waimea East, in the Provincial District of Nelson, Farmer, of the loss of his Certificate of Title "No. 1c, Folio 310," of Section "44 and part of Section 42," in the said district: I hereby give notice that I intend to issue a Provisional Certificate of Title to the said land to the said Edward Webby, unless caveat be lodged within fourteen days from the day of the publication hereof.

134 SAMUEL KINGDON,
District Land Registrar.

LAND TRANSFER ACT NOTICES.

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

THOMAS FIELD, of the City of Nelson, Brewer, Applicant.—300 acres, situated on the River Baton, granted as Section "1," on the plan of the District of Upper Motueka, but registered as Section "1A," on Square "6," on the plan of the Provincial District of Nelson. (H. Adams and Son, Solicitors.)

JOHN ALFRED LANGFORD and JOHN ALFRED LANGFORD the Younger, of the District of Waimea South, in the Provincial District of Nelson, Storekeepers, Applicants.—5 acres 2 roods, being part of Suburban Section "1," on the plan of the said district. Bounded—North-eastward by other part of same section, now or lately belonging to Mary Phipps; South-eastward by other part of same section, now or lately belonging to William Flowers and Simon Silcott; South-westward and North-westward by public roads. (Fell and Atkinson, Solicitors.)

Diagrams may be inspected at this office.

Dated this 25th day of February, 1878, at the Lands Registry Office, Nelson.

135 SAMUEL KINGDON,
District Land Registrar.

LAND TRANSFER ACT NOTICE.

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

WILLIAM TODD, Applicant.—1 rood, Allotment 851, Town of Hokitika. Occupied by Applicant. No. 357.

Diagrams may be inspected at this office.

Dated this 20th day of February, 1878, at the Lands Registry Office, Hokitika.

136 ALFRED H. KING,
District Land Registrar.

NEW ZEALAND LEAD AND GALVANIZED IRON WORKS COMPANY (LIMITED).

AT a General Extraordinary Meeting of the Shareholders of this Company, held on Friday, the 8th day of February, 1878, the following Special Resolutions were duly passed, viz.,—

"That the New Zealand Lead and Galvanized Iron Works Company (Limited) be wound up voluntarily.

"That Mr. Thomas Jenkins be appointed as Liquidator for winding up the affairs of the Company and distributing the property."

A subsequent General Extraordinary Meeting of the Shareholders of the Company is now convened by the Directors, to be held at the Company's Registered Office, Victoria Street, Auckland, on Monday, the 11th day of March, 1878, at 2 o'clock in the afternoon, for the purpose of confirming such Special Resolutions.

By order of the Directors.

THOS. JENKINS,
Secretary.

Auckland, 13th February, 1878.

TO THE REGISTRAR-GENERAL FOR THE COLONY
OF NEW ZEALAND.

I, CHARLES HENRY SINNOCK, Member of the Royal College of Surgeons, England, now residing at Wellington, do hereby give notice that it is my intention to apply, on the 3rd day of April, 1878, to the Registrar-General for the Colony of New Zealand (with whom is deposited the evidence of my qualification), to be registered under the Medical Practitioners Registration Act.

CHARLES HENRY SINNOCK.

Wellington, 27th February, 1878. 137

STATEMENT of the Affairs of the Lucknow Quartz Reef Mining Company (Registered), to 31st December, 1877.

Name of Company: The Lucknow Quartz Reef Mining Company (Registered).
When formed: October, 1872.
Date of registration: 31st October, 1872.
Where business is conducted: Bendigo Gully, near Cromwell.
Name of Legal Manager: Thomas Black.
Nominal capital: £7,800.
Amount of paid-up scrip given to shareholders: £1,300.
Number of shares in which capital is divided: 2,600.
Amount of calls made: £4,225.
Total amount of subscribed capital paid up: £5,319 9s. 7d.
Amount of cash in hand: Nil.
Whether in operation or not: Not in operation.
Total amount of dividends declared: None.
Number of shares unallotted: None.

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THOMAS BLACK,
Manager.

STATEMENT of the Affairs of the Nil Desperandum Quartz-Mining Company (Limited), for the half-year ended 31st December, 1877, in accordance with section 135 of "The Mining Companies Act, 1872."

Name of Company: The Nil Desperandum Quartz-Mining Company (Limited).

When formed, and date of registration: 24th February, 1877; 5th April, 1877.

Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Broadway, Reefton; Louis Davies.

Nominal capital: £23,000.

Amount of paid-up scrip given to shareholders: £11,500.

Number of shares in which capital is divided: 23,000.

Number of shares taken: 23,000.

Amount of calls made: £1,197 18s. 4d.

Total amount of subscribed capital paid up: £894 15s. 3d.

Number of shareholders at time of registration of Company: 42.

Amount of cash in hand: Nil.

Whether in operation or not: In operation.

Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.

Number of shares unallotted: Nil.

L. DAVIES,
Manager.

31st December, 1877. 127

STATEMENT of the Affairs of the United Inglewood and North Star Quartz-Mining Company (Limited), for the half-year ended 31st December, 1877, in accordance with section 135 of "The Mining Companies Act, 1872."

Name of Company: The United Inglewood and North Star Quartz-Mining Company (Limited).

When formed, and date of registration: 15th January, 1876; 21st November, 1876.

Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Broadway, Reefton; Louis Davies.

Nominal capital: £19,000.

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

Number of shares in which capital is divided: 19,000.

Number of shares taken: 19,000.

Amount of calls made: £1,147 18s. 4d.

Total amount of subscribed capital paid up: £827 4s. 5½d.

Number of shareholders at time of registration of Company: 43.

Amount of cash in hand: £6 9s. 6½d.

Whether in operation or not: In operation.

Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.

Number of shares unallotted: Nil.

L. DAVIES,
Manager.

31st December, 1877. 128

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