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*Declaring Lands open for Sale within Mining Districts, Otago.*

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

WHEREAS by the one hundred and fifty-fourth section of "The Land Act, 1877," it is enacted that the Governor, by Proclamation, may from time to time declare any Crown lands within any mining district, not held under license or lease at the date of such Proclamation, or over which the license or lease has been cancelled, to be open for sale or selection, in sections of such size and form, and on such date, as he may determine; and any lands so proclaimed may thereafter be sold at a like price and subject to the like terms and conditions, or as near thereto as may be, as Crown lands of the same class not within a mining district: And the Governor may from time to time alter, amend, or revoke any such Proclamation:

Now, therefore, I, George Augustine Constantine, Marquis of Normanby, the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, do hereby declare that the lands specified in the Schedule hereto shall be open for sale, and that the fifteenth day of April next ensuing shall be the day on which the said lands shall be so open for sale in allotments, as surveyed and marked on the survey map in the Office of the Chief Surveyor, Dunedin.

SCHEDULE.

Section.	Block.	District.	Acreage.		
			A.	R.	P.
7	V.	Table Hill District	164	2	21
16	V.	"	108	1	4
21	V.	"	237	2	3
23	V.	"	141	0	23
26	V.	"	215	2	21
28	V.	"	199	3	34
29	V.	"	114	2	24
37	V.	"	44	1	22
38	V.	"	14	2	12
39	V.	"	183	0	5
40	V.	"	201	2	0

—be all the aforesaid areas more or less, save and

except an area of land of one chain wide on each bank of Tokomairiro River reserved for mining purposes.

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 sixth day of March, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and seventy-eight.

J. BALLANCE.

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN!

*Setting apart Lands in Otago for Agricultural Leases and Sale on Deferred Payments.*

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

WHEREAS by the fifty-fourth section of "The Mines Act, 1877," it is, amongst other things, enacted that it shall be lawful for the Governor to cause Crown lands situate within a gold field to be selected and set apart for the purpose of granting agricultural leases thereon and therefor; 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 whereas the lands described in the First Schedule hereto are Crown lands subject to be dealt with under the provisions of the said Act, and it is deemed expedient to set the same apart for the pur-

pose of granting agricultural leases thereon and therefor: And whereas the lands described in the Second Schedule hereto are also Crown lands subject to be dealt with under the said Act, for alienation by occupation licenses on deferred payments as aforesaid:

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 granting agricultural leases thereon and therefor, the lands described in the First Schedule hereto, and do fix the fifteenth day of April next ensuing, at the Warden's office at Lawrence, as the day and place 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, Dunedin.

And I do hereby further select and set apart, for the purpose of alienation by occupation licenses on deferred payments, the lands described in the Second Schedule hereto; and do fix the fifteenth day of April aforesaid as the day on which the said allotments shall be open for application in allotments, as surveyed and marked on the survey map in the office of the Chief Surveyor, Dunedin.

#### FIRST SCHEDULE.

##### SETTING APART SECTIONS FOR THE PURPOSE OF GRANTING AGRICULTURAL LEASES.

ALL that parcel of land in the Provincial District of Otago, containing by admeasurement one thousand eight hundred and forty-four (1,844) acres and two (2) poles, more or less, being Sections numbered respectively 6, of Block XIII.; Sections 4 and 17, of Block VIII.; Sections 3, 5, 8, 10, 13, 15, and 19, of Block IX.; and Section 4, of Block X.; all of Tuapeka West Survey District: as the same is delineated on the plans deposited in the Provincial District Survey Office, Dunedin.

#### SECOND SCHEDULE.

##### SETTING APART SECTIONS FOR ALIENATION BY OCCUPATION LICENSES ON DEFERRED PAYMENTS.

ALL that parcel of land in the Provincial District of Otago, containing by admeasurement two thousand one hundred and seventy-nine (2,179) acres one (1) rood and thirty (30) poles, more or less, being Sections numbered respectively 4 and 5, of Block XIII.; Sections 5 and 6, of Block VIII.; and Sections 4, 7, 9, 11, 12, 16, and 17, of Block IX.; all of Tuapeka West Survey District: as the same is delineated on the plans deposited in the Provincial District Survey Office, Dunedin.

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 sixth day of March, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and seventy-eight.

J. BALLANCE.

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN!

#### Setting apart Lands in Otago for Agricultural Leases and Sale on Deferred Payments.

(L.S.)

NORMANBY, Governor.

#### A PROCLAMATION.

WHEREAS by the fifty-fourth section of "The Mines Act, 1877," it is, amongst other things, enacted that it shall be lawful for the Governor to cause Crown lands situate within a gold field to be selected and set apart for the purpose of granting agricultural leases thereon and therefor; 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 whereas the lands described in the First Schedule hereto are Crown lands subject to be dealt with under the provisions of the said Act, and it is deemed expedient to set the same apart for the purpose of granting agricultural leases thereon and therefor: And whereas the lands described in the Second Schedule hereto are also Crown lands subject to be dealt with under the said Act, for alienation by occupation licenses on deferred payments as aforesaid:

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 granting agricultural leases thereon and therefor, the lands described in the First Schedule hereto, and do fix the fifteenth day of April next ensuing, at the Warden's office at Lawrence, as the day and place 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, Dunedin:

And I do hereby further select and set apart, for the purpose of alienation by occupation licenses on deferred payments, the lands described in the Second Schedule hereto; and do fix the fifteenth day of April aforesaid as the day on which the said allotments shall be open for application in allotments, as surveyed and marked on the survey map in the office of the Chief Surveyor, Dunedin.

#### FIRST SCHEDULE.

##### SETTING APART SECTIONS FOR THE PURPOSE OF GRANTING AGRICULTURAL LEASES.

ALL that parcel of land in the Provincial District of Otago, containing by admeasurement one thousand four hundred and nineteen (1,419) acres three (3) roods and three (3) poles, more or less, being Sections numbered respectively, 41, 42, 43, 44, 49, 69, 70, 71, 72, 73, 74, 75, 76, 77, 78, 79, and 80, of Block V., Waitahuna East Survey District, and Sections numbered respectively 51, 73, 74, and 75, of Block IV., Table Hill Survey District: as delineated on the plans deposited in the Provincial District Survey Office, Dunedin.

#### SECOND SCHEDULE.

##### SETTING APART SECTIONS FOR ALIENATION BY OCCUPATION LICENSES ON DEFERRED PAYMENTS.

ALL that parcel of land in the Provincial District of Otago, containing by admeasurement seven hundred and ninety-three (793) acres and twenty-eight (28) poles, more or less, being Sections numbered respectively 65 and 68, of Block IV., and 18 and 19, of Block V., both of Table Hill Survey District: as delineated on the plans deposited in the Provincial District Survey Office, Dunedin.

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 sixth day of March, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and seventy-eight.

J. BALLANCE.

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN!

*"Regulation of Local Elections Act, 1876," brought into force in Hokonui Rabbit District.*

(L.S.) NORMANBY, Governor.

A PROCLAMATION.

WHEREAS by "The Rabbit Nuisance Act 1876 Amendment Act, 1877," it is enacted that the Governor may from time to time, by Proclamation, declare that "The Regulation of Local Elections Act, 1876," shall come into force in any district constituted under "The Rabbit Nuisance Act, 1876," or the Act now in recital, without such request as is mentioned in section three of "The Regulation of Local Elections Act, 1876:" And whereas the District of Hokonui is a district constituted under "The Rabbit Nuisance Act, 1876," and it is desirable to proclaim "The Regulation of Local Elections Act, 1876," in force therein:

Now, therefore, I, George Augustus Constantine, Marquis of Normanby, the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, do hereby, in exercise of the power vested in me by the said first-mentioned Act, proclaim and declare that, from and after the date of this Proclamation, "The Regulation of Local Elections Act, 1876," shall be in force in the rabbit district of Hokonui aforesaid.

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 seventh day of March, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and seventy-eight.

J. BALLANCE.

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN!

*Lands taken for a Road through Application No. 762, now known as Section No. 44, Block II., Maungatua District, County of Taieri.*

To His Excellency the Governor of New Zealand.

MAY it please your Excellency,—

The Waipori Road Board, requiring for the

purpose of forming a public road that piece of land, as shown by the annexed map, containing by admeasurement three (3) roods and eight (8) poles, and situated in Block II., Maungatua District, County of Taieri, in the Provincial District of Otago, New Zealand, being part of Application No. 762 on the map of the said district, has duly complied with the provisions contained in sections 21, 22, 23, 24, and 25 of "The Public Works Act, 1876."

The present proprietor, Mr. Robert Robinson, of Lake Waipori, County Taieri, Provincial District of Otago, has no objection to the piece of land as aforesaid being taken; and, as a great public benefit will be derived from a road being taken through the piece of land as above described, the Waipori Road Board humbly hopes your Excellency will see fit, by Proclamation publicly notified, to declare the aforesaid piece of land to be taken for the purpose of making a public road.

DESCRIPTION.

ALL that area in the Provincial District of Otago, containing by admeasurement three (3) roods and eight (8) poles, more or less, situate in the Maungatua Survey District, being part of Application No. 762, now known as Section No. 44 on the map of Block II. of the said district. Commencing at a point on the north-west boundary of said section numbered 44, distant from Trigonometrical Station D in a south-westerly direction, bearing  $224^{\circ} 55'$ , three thousand six hundred and twenty and nine-tenths (3620.9) links; and bounded towards the North-west by a continuation of said north-west boundary of said Section No. 44, nine hundred and forty-three and six-tenths (943.6) links; and towards the East and South-east by other part of said Section No. 44, one thousand and forty-five and two-tenths (1045.2) links: as the same is delineated on the plan hereto attached.

I have the honor to be,

Your Excellency's humble servant,

WILLIAM DUFF,

Chairman of the Waipori Road Board.

Sealed with the seal of "The District Board and Ratepayers of the Waipori Road District," in accordance with a resolution passed by the Waipori Road Board on (L.S.) Saturday, 3rd day of March, 1877, and sealed in our presence at a meeting of the Board, on Saturday, 5th day of January, 1878.

As witness thereto we have attached our signatures.

ARCHIBALD MACPHERSON,  
Chairman, Waipori Road Board.

ROBT. BARNES TWELFTREE,  
Clerk, Waipori Road Board.

(L.S.) NORMANBY, Governor.

A PROCLAMATION.

WHEREAS by "The Public Works Act, 1876," it is enacted that, whenever lands are required to be taken for public works, the Minister for Public Works in the case of Government works, and the County Council or Road Board in the case of county or district works, shall cause a survey to be made and plans to be prepared showing generally the nature of the works proposed to be executed and the lands required to be taken for the same, together with the names of the owners and occupiers of such lands as far as they can be ascertained, and shall cause a copy of such plans to be deposited in some place in the road district in which such lands are: And it is further enacted that the said Minister in the case of Government works, and the County

Council or Road Board in the case of county works or district works, shall cause a notice to be gazetted, and to be twice publicly notified, stating the place where such plans are open for inspection, with a general description of the works proposed to be executed and of the land required to be taken, and in such notice shall call upon all persons affected to set forth in writing any well-founded objections to the execution of such works or to the taking of such lands, and to send such writing within forty days from the first publication of such notice to the said Minister, or to the County Council or Road Board, as the case may be: And it is further enacted that the Minister for Public Works, the County Council, or Road Board, as the case may be, shall cause a copy of such notice and description to be served upon the said owners and occupiers so far as they can be ascertained; and that the said Minister in the case of Government works, the Council in the case of county, and the Board in the case of district works, shall, upon receiving any objection, appoint a time and place within the colony within which the objector may appear before the said Minister, or some person appointed by him in the case of Government works, before the Council in the case of county, or before the Board in the case of district works, and support the objection by such evidence as the objector thinks fit; and that if within the said forty days no such objection is made, or if after due consideration of such objections the said Minister, or the County Council, or Road Board, as the case may be, is of opinion that it is expedient that the proposed works should be executed, and that no private injury will be done thereby for which due compensation is not provided by the Act now in recital, the land proposed to be taken shall be taken in the following manner—that is to say, the said Minister, or the County Council, or Road Board, shall lay before the Governor a memorial containing an accurate description of the land proposed to be taken, together with a map thereof, signed by the Surveyor-General or some certificated surveyor as evidence of the accuracy thereof; and the Governor in Council may thereupon, if he think fit, by Proclamation gazetted and publicly notified, declare that the said lands are taken for the use of a railway, road, or other public work, as the case may be; and from and after a date to be named in the said Proclamation the land therein specified shall become absolutely vested in fee-simple in Her Majesty, discharged from all mortgages, charges, claims, estates, or interests of what kind soever, for the public use named in the said Proclamation:

And whereas the lands described in the memorial above written, and shown on the map or plan attached thereto marked P.W.D. 6242, are required to be taken under the authority of the said "Public Works Act, 1876," for a certain public work—to wit, the construction of a road through Application No. 762, now known as Section No. 44, Block II., Mangatua District, County of Taieri:

And whereas all the requirements and conditions prescribed by the said Act prior to the taking of such lands have been duly performed and fulfilled:

Now, therefore, I, George Augustus Constantine, Marquis of Normanby, Governor of New Zealand, in exercise and pursuance of the power and authority in me vested by the said Act, and of any other power and authority enabling me in that behalf, do hereby proclaim and declare that the lands described in the memorial above written, and shown on the plan thereto attached, are hereby taken for the purposes of a road; and that from and after the day of the date hereof the said lands shall become absolutely vested in fee-simple in Her Majesty, discharged from all mortgages, charges, claims, estates,

and interests of what kind soever, for use as a public road.

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 sixth day of March, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and seventy-eight.

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

Approved in Council.

IRWIN C. MALING,  
Acting Clerk of the Executive Council.

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN!

*Returning Officer appointed for Election of Governors  
of the Auckland College.*

NORMANBY, Governor.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government House, at Auckland, this  
sixth day of March, 1878.

Present:

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR IN COUNCIL.

WHEREAS by an Order in Council bearing date the eighth day of January, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-eight, made and issued under the authority of "The Auckland College and Grammar School Act, 1877," the Governor did, among other things, prescribe the regulations set forth in the Second Schedule thereto as and to be regulations for the purposes therein mentioned: And whereas it is expedient to amend the regulations as hereinafter mentioned:

Now, therefore, His Excellency the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, in pursuance and exercise of the power and authority in him vested by the said Act, and of all other powers and authorities in that behalf enabling him, and by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of the said colony, doth hereby make the following amendments in the said regulations, that is to say,—

1. The second paragraph to section 2 of the regulations in the said Second Schedule, commencing with the word "Until," and ending with the word "Representatives," is hereby repealed, and in lieu thereof it is hereby provided that, until the appointment of a Returning Officer by the said Board of Governors, Vincent Edward Rice, of Auckland, gentleman, shall be the Returning Officer for the first or any subsequent election of Governors of the Board of Governors of the said College; and in case the said Vincent Edward Rice shall be unable from any cause to fulfil his duties as such Returning Officer at any election, he shall, by writing under his hand, appoint a substitute, who shall for all purposes in respect of such election be deemed to be the Returning Officer.

IRWIN C. MALING,  
Acting Clerk of the Executive Council.

Person entitled to Land under "The Immigrants Land Act, 1875."

NORMANBY, Governor.  
ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government House, at Auckland, this sixth day of March, 1878.

Present:

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR IN COUNCIL.

WHEREAS by "The Immigrants Land Act Amendment Act, 1875," it is enacted that in any case where any person who, since the passing of "The Immigrants Land Act, 1873" (hereinafter referred to as "the said Act"), and prior to the coming into operation of the now reciting Act, has paid his own passage to the colony with the intention of settling upon and cultivating land therein, and who has omitted to obtain any certificate or to do any other act by the said Act required to entitle him to a free grant of land thereunder, whether such omission shall have occurred prior to or after arrival in the colony, it shall be lawful for the Governor, by Order in Council, on receiving proof that such person had a *bonâ fide* intention to comply with the said Act, to direct and declare that such person shall have and be entitled to all the privileges and benefits which he would have had under the said Act but for such omission as aforesaid: And, further, that every such Order in Council shall state specifically the nature of the omission in respect of which such order shall be made, and shall be forthwith published in the *New Zealand Gazette*; and thereupon the person named in such Order in Council shall have all the privileges and benefits which he would have had but for such omission as aforesaid:

And whereas proof has been received by the Governor that the person mentioned in the first column of the Schedule hereto has paid his own passage to the colony with the intention of settling upon and cultivating land therein, and also that he had a *bonâ fide* intention to comply with the said Act, but has omitted to do the acts mentioned in the second column of the said Schedule, by the said Act required to entitle him to a free grant of land thereunder:

Now, therefore, His Excellency the Governor, by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of the Colony of New Zealand, and in exercise and pursuance of the power and authority vested in him by the said "Immigrants Land Act Amendment Act, 1875," doth hereby direct and declare that the person mentioned in the first column of the Schedule hereto shall have and be entitled to all the privileges and benefits which he would have had under the said Act but for such omission as aforesaid.

SCHEDULE.

FIRST COLUMN.	SECOND COLUMN.
Immigrant's Name in full.	Statement of the Omission or Matter in respect of which "The Immigrants Land Act, 1873," has not been complied with.
Peter Madsen ... ..	Omitted to obtain the required certificate of Agent-General.

Approved in Council.

IRWIN C. MALING,  
Acting Clerk of the Executive Council.

Making Rules for Surveys, and Fees to be paid by Applicants for Land, under "The Land Act, 1877"—Auckland District.

NORMANBY, Governor.  
ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government House, at Auckland, this sixth day of March, 1878.

Present:

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR IN COUNCIL.

WHEREAS by the 169th section of "The Land Act, 1877," it is, among other things, enacted that the Governor shall have power from time to time to make rules, regulations, and orders providing for the mode by which any land or allotment shall be surveyed and boundaries adjusted, and for imposing any reasonable charge for surveys:

And whereas it is expedient that a charge should be made for the survey of rural lands to be occupied within the Land District of Auckland under the provisions set forth in clauses 2 and 3, Appendix A, of the said Act, upon the scale and in manner herein-after mentioned:

Now, therefore, I, George Augustus Constantine, Marquis of Normanby, the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, in provision and exercise of the powers vested in me by the said Act, do hereby make the rules, regulations, and orders set forth in the Schedule hereto, providing the mode in which surveys may be made, and for imposing the fees to be paid by persons making application for land to be occupied under the provisions set forth in clauses 2 and 3 of the Appendix to the said Act.

SCHEDULE.

1. All surveys shall be made by surveyors authorized by the Surveyor-General, and in accordance with instructions to settlement surveyors issued, or which may be issued, by him.

2. There shall be paid for the survey of any area—

	£	s.	d.
Not exceeding 30 acres ...	5	0	0
Exceeding 30 and up to 50 acres	0	3	0 per acre
" 50 " 100 "	0	2	6 "
" 100 " 200 "	0	2	0 per acre, but not less than £12 10s.
" 200 " 300 "	0	1	8 per acre, but not less than £20.

3. Whenever two or more sections are surveyed together by the same surveyor, one-third of the above rates shall be deducted for all areas above 50 acres, and whenever also more than one-half the length of the boundary lines shall run through vegetation less than 6 feet high, one-third of the schedule rates shall be deducted.

4. All fees so chargeable shall be deposited with the Receiver of Land Revenue at the time the application for land is made.

5. These regulations shall come into force and take effect on and from the publication thereof in the *New Zealand Gazette*.

IRWIN C. MALING,  
Acting Clerk of the Executive Council.

Notification of the Payment of Money on, and Entry into Negotiations for, the Purchase or Acquisition of Native Lands in the North Island.

NORMANBY, Governor.

IN pursuance of the provisions of "The Government Native Land Purchases Act, 1877," it is hereby notified that money has been paid by or on behalf of Her Majesty the Queen for the purchase or acquisition of the several blocks of Native land in the North Island which are more particularly described and

mentioned in the Schedule hereto; and, further, that negotiations in respect of such purchases or acquisitions as aforesaid have been entered into by or on behalf of Her said Majesty.

#### SCHEDULE.

##### HERUIWI.

ALL that block or parcel of land in the Weao and Heruiwi Districts, Taupo, known as "Heruiwi," containing by admeasurement 25,161 acres or thereabouts. Bounded towards the North by the Rangitaiki River to its confluence with the Weao River; towards the East by the Weao River and the Waione Stream, and thence by lines to the northern boundary of the Pukahanui Block; towards the South-west by the Pukahanui Block aforesaid; and towards the North-west by the Rangitaiki River: as delineated on a plan deposited in the office of the Chief Surveyor, Auckland. This block has *not* passed the Native Land Court.

##### PUKAHUNUI.

All that block or parcel of land in the Heruiwi District, Taupo, known as "Pukahunui," containing by admeasurement 43,051 acres or thereabouts. Bounded towards the North-east by the Heruiwi Block; towards the East by lines; towards the South and South-west by the Waipunga River and the Runanga No. 1 Block; and towards the West by the Rangitaiki River: as delineated on a plan deposited in the office of the Chief Surveyor, Auckland. This block has *not* passed the Native Land Court.

##### TE HUKUI.

All that block or parcel of land in the Tatua District known as "Te Hukui," containing by admeasurement 2,358 acres or thereabouts. Bounded towards the North by lines 18664 links, commencing at or about its intersection with the telegraph line to Taupo, and terminating at Mapouroa; towards the East and South-east by lines 28642 links from Mapouroa aforesaid to Toranakura; towards the South by lines 5200 links from Toranakura to Te Matai; and towards the West by lines 22800 links from Te Matai to the point of commencement: as delineated on a plan deposited in the office of the Chief Surveyor, Auckland. This block has *not* passed the Native Land Court.

##### TATUA WEST.

All that block or parcel of land in Ngongotaha and Tatua Districts known as "Tatua West," containing by estimation 35,000 acres or thereabouts. Bounded towards the North by the Waikato River; towards the North-east by the Hauai River; towards the East and South by lines starting from the Hauai River, passing through Tuahu, and thence to Kiwihahi, and from thence to Waikotukutuku on the Waituhaua Stream; and towards the West by the Waituhaua Stream aforesaid and the Waipapa Stream to the Waikato River, the point of commencement. This block has passed the Native Land Court.

##### PAENGAROA.

All that block or parcel of land in the Maketu District known as "Paengaroa," containing by admeasurement 18,600 acres or thereabouts. Bounded towards the North by the Kaituna Block; towards the East by the Maketu Reserve, by the Kaikokopu River, and the Waiwhakaretu Stream; towards the South by lines from the Waiwhakaretu Stream aforesaid to the Kaituna River; and towards the West by the Kaituna River to its confluence with the Waiari Stream at the point of commencement: as delineated on a plan deposited in the office of the

Chief Surveyor, Auckland. This block has *not* passed the Native Land Court.

##### KAITUNA.

All that block or parcel of land in the Te Tumu and Maketu Districts known as the "Kaituna," containing by admeasurement 6,686 acres or thereabouts. Bounded towards the North by the Bay of Plenty; towards the East by the Maketu Reserve; towards the South by the Paengaroa Block; and towards the West by the Kaituna River and the Te Puke Block: as delineated on a plan deposited in the office of the Chief Surveyor, Auckland. This block has *not* passed the Native Land Court.

##### TE PUKE.

All that block or parcel of land in the Maketu District, Bay of Plenty, known as "Te Puke," containing by admeasurement 25,972 acres or thereabouts. Bounded towards the North by the Bay of Plenty; towards the East by a line and by the Kaituna and Waiari Rivers; towards the South by the Oturuturu and Mangatoi Creeks, and thence by a line to Otanewainuku Mountain; and towards the West by the Tauranga Confiscation Line from Otanewainuku to the sea at Wairakei, the point of commencement: as delineated on a plan deposited in the office of the Chief Surveyor, Auckland. This block has *not* passed the Native Land Court.

##### RAU O TE HUIA.

All that block or parcel of land in the Maketu District known as "Rau o te Huia," containing by admeasurement 587 acres or thereabouts. Bounded towards the North by lines, and by portion of the the Ohineahuru Block; towards the East by the Waiparapara Block; towards the South by a line; and towards the West by lines to the Waitepura Creek, the point of commencement: as delineated on a plan deposited in the office of the Chief Surveyor, Auckland.

##### KAIKOKOPU.

All that block or parcel of land in the Maketu and Waihi Districts known as "Kaikokopu," containing by admeasurement 36,709 acres or thereabouts. Bounded towards the North and East by the Waihi Lagoon and Pongakawa River; towards the South by lines 38650 links; and towards the West by the Kaikokopu River to the Waihi Lagoon, the point of commencement: as delineated on a plan deposited in the office of the Chief Surveyor, Auckland. This block has *not* passed the Native Land Court.

##### OTAMARAKAU.

All that block or parcel of land in the Waihi and Rotoma Districts known as "Otamarakau," containing by admeasurement 27,776 acres or thereabouts. Bounded towards the North by the Bay of Plenty from the mouth of the Waiheke Stream to the mouth of the Waitahanui Creek; towards the East by the Waitahanui or Maretahi Creek to its source, and thence by lines 37400 links to Pakirikiri, on the western shore of Roto-Ehu; towards the South by lines 33600 links from Pakirikiri to the Pongakawa River; and towards the West by the Pongakawa River aforesaid, and by lines 33600 links, to the mouth of the Waiheke Creek, the point of commencement: as delineated on a plan deposited in the office of the Chief Surveyor, Auckland. This block has *not* passed the Native Land Court.

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

JOHN SHEEHAN.



*Notification of the Payment of Money on and Entry into Negotiations for the Purchase or Acquisition of Native Lands in the North Island.*

NORMANBY, GOVERNOR.

IN pursuance of the provisions of "The Government Native Land Purchases Act, 1877," it is hereby notified that money has been paid by or on behalf of Her Majesty the Queen for the purchase or acquisition of the several blocks of Native land in the North Island, which are more particularly described and mentioned in the Schedule hereto; and, further, that negotiations in respect of such purchases or acquisitions as aforesaid have been entered into by or on behalf of her said Majesty.

SCHEDULE.

OPUREKE.

ALL that block or parcel of land in the Taupo District, in the Provincial District of Auckland, known by the name of Opureke, containing by estimation 1,500 acres or thereabouts. Boundaries commencing at the Waipunga River, then ascending the hill of Opureke, and along the summit of the ridge to the upper or north end, then striking towards Waipunga and getting to Waipunga, following that stream down to the starting point. This land adjoins Runanga No. 1 Block; it has *not* passed the Native Land Court.

MATATA.

All those parcels of land in the Provincial District of Auckland, known as Allotments Nos. 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, and 42, of the Parish of Matata, containing by admeasurement 19,995 acres or thereabouts. Bounded on the North by Allotment No. 30 of the Parish of Matata; on the East by the Tarawera River; on the South by a survey line; and on the West by Allotment No. 63 of the Parish of Matata aforesaid.

All that block or parcel of land in the Provincial District of Auckland, known as Allotment No. 63 of the Parish of Matata, containing by admeasurement 36,260 acres or thereabouts. Bounded towards the North-east by the sea; towards the East by Allotments Nos. 11, 12, 27, 28, 30, 31, and 39, of the Parish of Matata; and towards the South and West by survey lines.

RANGIURU.

All that block or parcel of land in the Maketu District, in the Provincial District of Auckland, known by the name of Rangiuru, containing by estimation 40,000 acres or thereabouts. Boundaries commencing at the junction of the Kaituna and Waiari Rivers, thence up the said Kaituna River to Tapuika back tribal boundary in the forest, along the said boundary to its junction with the Waiari River, thence down the said river to its junction with the Kaituna River, the starting point. This block has *not* passed the Native Land Court.

PAREKARANGI.

All that block or parcel of land in the Rotorua District, in the Provincial District of Auckland, known by the name of Parekarangi, containing by estimation 80,000 acres or thereabouts. Boundaries commencing at Wharerarauhi on the Waikato River, thence to Akatarewa, thence to Hikumaro, thence to Te Ika-o-Hotopuku, thence to Te Ahikaka-whakanoa, thence to Te Punatakahi-a-Taniko, thence to Te-Whati-whakao, thence to Waiparikuku, thence to Ngaoko, thence to Te Pouporo, thence to Te Tuakanga, thence to Tiari, thence to Wharerangi, thence to Te Turi, thence to Te Hautu, thence to Pakahu, thence to Makapoupoia, thence to Te Onepu, thence to Waiata, thence to Ngamokopuna, thence to Pohuerua, thence

to Rahopaka, thence to Te Ana-a-tuhape, thence to Te Mania-a-Hinemaru, thence to Ngaoko, thence to Maungaiti, thence to Te Wawa, thence to Ngaroto, thence to Ongarahu Stream, thence to Waikato River, thence up the said river to Wharerarauhi, the starting point. This block has *not* passed the Native Land Court.

TUMUNUI AND RATOREKA.

All those blocks of land in the Rotorua District, in the Provincial District of Auckland, known by the names of Tumunui and Ratoreka, containing by estimation 50,000 acres or thereabouts. Bounded on the South by the Waikato River, from Akatarewa to the mouth of the Whirinaki Stream; on the West by the Whirinaki Stream, from its mouth to the Pa-o-te-Atua-rere-tahi, and from thence by the ancestral boundary to Otamatea; on the North from Otamatea across Rotokakahi to Pareheru; and on the East by the Paeroa Block, from Pareheru to Akatarewa on Waikato River. These blocks have *not* passed the Native Land Court.

PAEROA.

All that block or parcel of land in the Rotorua District, in the Provincial District of Auckland, known by the name of Paeroa, containing by estimation 100,000 acres or thereabouts. Boundaries commencing at the mouth of the Torepatutahi Stream on the Waikato River, thence up the said stream to its source; thence along the northern boundary of Kaingaroa No. 1 Block to the Wairapukao, a survey peg and mound; thence to Maungakakamea, thence to Kini-Kini Bush, thence to Te Waiu Bush, thence to Pareheru, thence by Waipa to Waikorapa, thence along the ridge to the east of Ratoreka to Paeroa Range, thence along the summit of said Paeroa Range to Te Waro, thence to Hikumaro, thence to Akatarewa on the Waikato River, thence up the said river to the mouth of Torepatutahi Stream, the starting point. This block has *not* passed the Native Land Court.

KAPENGA.

All that block or parcel of land in the Rotorua District, in the Provincial District of Auckland, known by the name of Kapenga, containing by estimation 30,000 acres or thereabouts. Boundaries commencing at Rau-o-te-Huia on Rotorua Lake, thence to Te Hemo, thence to Ngapuketuru, thence to Te Ahikaka-a-Whakanoa, thence to Te Urupongo, thence to Motuwhanaki in the Waikato River, thence to Tieketahi, thence to Te Totara, thence to Te Rotohouhou, thence to Te Purukao, thence to Te Takuroa, thence to Otamatea, thence to Pareheru, thence to Te Taheke, thence to Hope-Kokoa, thence to Teihana, thence to Te Poukoropu, thence to Kataore, thence to Tehe-no-Wakaihiko, thence to Waipungapunga, thence to Papapahuri, thence to Te Marua, thence to Tikinoi, thence to Te Ahi-Ngarahu, thence to Te Uira, thence to Te Takapu-o-whaingahunoa on Rotorua Lake, thence by the shore of the said lake to Rau-o-te-Huia, the starting point. This block has *not* passed the Native Land Court.

ROTOMAHANA.

All that block or parcel of land in the Rotorua District, in the Provincial District of Auckland, known by the name of Rotomahana, containing by estimation 5,000 acres or thereabouts. Boundaries commencing at Te Hape-o-Toroa, thence to Kiri-Kiore, thence to Whakahoro-o-Wharerangi, thence to Moetangi, thence to Te Rota, thence to Kapiti, thence to Wairake on the Rotomahana Lake, thence to Haumii Stream, thence up the said stream to Rahakakape, thence to Pakakahoroa, thence to Upokongawha, thence to Kai-o-te-Kaka, thence to Te Hape-o-Toroa, the starting point. This block has *not* passed the Native Land Court.

## OPAKAU.

All that block or parcel of land in the Rotorua District, in the Provincial District of Auckland, known by the name of Opakau, containing by estimation 2,000 acres or thereabouts. Boundaries commencing at Te Haumini on Okataina Lake, thence to Te Moanawaiapu, thence to Ake-ake, thence to Omanuhiri on the Tarawera Lake, thence along said lake to Otangimoana, thence inland to Te Ika, thence to Otoke, thence to Owhiti on Okataina Lake, thence to Haumini, the starting point. This block has *not* passed the Native Land Court.

## TE KOUTU.

All that block or parcel of land in the Rotorua District, in the Provincial District of Auckland, known by the name of Te Koutu, containing by estimation 5,000 acres or thereabouts. Boundaries commencing at Tahunapukeko on the Rotorua Lake, thence along the shore of the said lake to Huaki, thence to Ngongotaha, thence to Te Hera-a-Parenga, thence to Hua-Karamuramu, thence to Nga-taiki-o-Manakore; thence to below Moka, and following the stream there to Ourare-i-Mokorau, thence east to Angakakahi, thence to Ohaha, thence by Utuhina Stream to Tahunapukeko, the commencement. This block has *not* passed the Native Land Court.

## ROTOHOKAHOKA.

All that block or parcel of land in the Rotorua District, in the Provincial District of Auckland, known by the name of Rotohokahoka, and situate in the forest south-west of Ngongotaha Range, containing by estimation 20,000 acres or thereabouts. Boundaries commencing at Te Tutae-hinu, thence to Tiraki, thence to Komotangangahere, thence west to Tawamaru, thence to the Otamaroa Stream near Ruarei-mokoroa, thence following said stream to where it leaves the tribal boundary, thence following said boundary into the forest to the water called Rotohokahoka, so far as may be required to include area of 20,000 acres aforesaid. This block has *not* passed the Native Land Court.

## KAINGAROA.

All that block or parcel of land in the Matata District, in the Provincial District of Auckland, known by the name of Kaingaroa, containing by estimation 800,000 acres or thereabouts. Bounded on the East by the Rangataiki River; on the South by the Kaingaroa No. 1 Block; on the West by the Paeroa and Rotomahana Blocks, the Tarawera Lake, and the Haehaenga Block; and on the North by the Opotiki Confiscation Block. This block has *not* passed the Native Land Court.

## KAHAKAHAROA.

All that block or parcel of land in the Taupo District, in the Provincial District of Auckland, known by the name of Kahakaharua, containing by estimation 2,000 acres or thereabouts. Boundaries commencing at Waihi Stream on Taupo Lake, thence along the shore of the said lake to the mouth of Rotomoho Stream, thence up said stream to Te Puke-a-te-Mura, thence to Te Takanga, thence to Puketotara, thence to Reki-reki, thence to Patrahui, thence to Hauwhenua, thence along the edge of the forest to Waihi Stream, and down the said stream to Lake Taupo, the commencement. This block has *not* passed the Native Land Court.

## TAHARUA.

All that block or parcel of land in the Upper Mohaka District, in the Provincial District of Wellington, known by the name of Taharua, containing by estimation 13,900 acres or thereabouts. Bounded on the South by the Mohaka River; on the East by

the Wharetoto Block; on the North by a portion of the said Wharetoto Block, and survey lines running from the mouth of Te Wai-o-te-Whana Stream to the bush near Patehe; and on the West by survey lines running generally along the edge of the forest, from near Patehe to the Mohaka River. This block has *not* passed the Native Land Court.

## MOHAKA AND MANGATAINOKA.

All those blocks of land in the Upper Mohaka District, in the Provincial District of Wellington, known by the name of Mohaka and Mangatainoka, containing by estimation 58,000 acres or thereabouts. Bounded on the East by the Kaweka and Te Ranga-o-Tawhao Blocks; on the North by the Mohaka River; on the West by the Oamaru Stream and a line from the said stream to the Ngaruroro River; and on the South by the said Ngaruroro River. These blocks have *not* passed the Native Land Court.

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

J. BALLANCE.

*Authorizing the taking and laying down of Roads over Land granted to Natives in the Auckland Provincial District.*

## NORMANBY, Governor.

WHEREAS by an Act of the General Assembly intitled "The Native Lands Act, 1873," it is enacted that, from and out of any land which may have heretofore been or may be granted under the provisions of any of the Acts thereby repealed, or of that Act, it shall be lawful for the Governor, at any time thereafter, to take and lay off for public purposes one or more line or lines of road or railway through the said lands: Provided that the total quantity of land which may be taken for such line or lines of road shall not be more than after the rate of five acres in every one hundred acres: Provided always that this power shall cease and determine at the expiration of ten years from the date of the grant:

And whereas it is expedient that a fit and proper person should be authorized to take and lay down roads over the land specified in the Schedule hereto:

Now, therefore, I, George Augustus Constantine, Marquis of Normanby, Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, in exercise and pursuance of all powers and authorities enabling me in this behalf, do hereby authorize Francis Simpson, Assistant Surveyor of Poverty Bay, to take and lay down roads over the lands specified in the Schedule hereto, and for that purpose to exercise all such powers as by the said Act may be exercised by a person legally authorized in that behalf under the said Act.

## SCHEDULE.

## LIST OF BLOCKS IN THE POVERTY BAY DISTRICT THROUGH WHICH ROADS ARE TO BE TAKEN.

Repongaere.	Pouawa.
Pukepapa.	Whangara.
Waikohu.	Puatai.
Puhatikotiko, Nos. 1, 2,	Tuawhata.
3, 4, 5.	Paremata.
Okahuatiu, No. 1.	Uawa, Nos. 1 and 2.
Opou, Nos. 1 and 2.	Mangarara, No. 2.
Kakaukaka.	Kourateuwhi, Nos. 1
Pipiwakau.	and 2.
Pa Okare.	Mangaheia, Nos. 1 and 2.
Papatu.	Wharekaka, Nos. 1 and 2.
Te Orai, No. 2.	Kopuatarakihi, Nos. 1
Maraetaha.	and 2.



SCHEDULE—continued.

Tuaranga.	Kaiaua.
Makauri.	Anaura.
Pouparae.	Taumatapatiti.
School estate, Waerenga-hika.	Tokomaru.
Matawhero, Nos. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, and 6.	Tawhiti.
Whataupoko.	Mangahauini.
Kaiti.	Whareponga.
	Waikohu (Waiapu District).

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

J. BALLANCE.

*Public Pound, Mount Wellington Highway District, appointed.*

NORMANBY, Governor.

UNDER and in pursuance of the powers vested in me by an Act of the Provincial Council of the late Province of Auckland, intituled "The Impounding Act, 1867," and "The Abolition of Provinces Act, 1875," I, George Augustus Constantine, Marquis of Normanby, the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, do hereby appoint the premises situated on the south side of the Panmure Road, near the Village of Panmure, within the Mount Wellington Highway District, to be a public pound for the purposes of the said "Impounding Act, 1867."

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

J. BALLANCE.

*Fees authorized to be taken at the Mount Wellington Public Pound.*

NORMANBY, Governor.

UNDER and in pursuance of the powers vested in me by "The Impounding Act, 1867," of the Provincial Council of the late Province of Auckland, and "The Abolition of Provinces Act, 1875," I, George Augustus Constantine, Marquis of Normanby, the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, do hereby authorize the Keeper of the Public Pound at

Panmure, in the Mount Wellington Highway District, to take and charge the several fees and prices specified in the Schedule hereto, for the matters and things therein specified.

SCHEDULE.

FEES AND PRICES TO BE TAKEN BY POUNDKEEPER OF THE MOUNT WELLINGTON PUBLIC POUND.

1. Poundage Fees.		s.	d.
For every horse, mare, gelding, colt, filly, foal, mule, or ass	...	2	6
Bull, ox, cow, steer, heifer, or calf	...	2	6
Ram, ewe, wether, or lamb, for first 20	...	0	2
Next 30	...	0	1½
Next 50	...	0	1
All others, above 100	...	0	0½
Boar, sow, or other pig	...	1	0
Goat or kid	...	1	0

The above charges to be paid for each day or part of day during which the animal is in pound.

2. Charges for Food.		s.	d.
For every horse, mare, gelding, colt, filly, foal, mule, or ass	...	1	0
Bull, cow, ox, steer, heifer	...	0	6
Calf under 6 months	...	0	2
Sheep or lamb	...	0	1
Goat or kid	...	0	2
Boar, sow, or other pig	...	0	6

The above charges to be paid for each day or part of day during which the animal is supplied with food and water by the Poundkeeper, but the owner may supply food and water, in which case the charges are not to be made.

3. Charges for giving Notice of Impounding.

The charges for giving notice of impounding of cattle to the owner or his agent shall be computed at the rate of one shilling (1s.) for every mile or part of a mile of the distance between the public pound and the usual place of residence of such owner or agent as the case may be.

4. Charge for giving Public Notice under the Twentieth Section of "The Impounding Act, 1867," of the Impounding of Cattle.

	s.	d.
For posting notice of impounding on pound	0	6
For posting notice of impounding on the nearest post office or police station	2	6
For inserting notice of impounding in the local paper or authorized gazette for the Auckland Provincial District, the usual charge for such advertisements.		

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

J. BALLANCE.

*Judges 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 persons named in the Schedule hereto to be the Judges of the Assessment Courts for the districts placed opposite their names.

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

J. BALLANCE.

SCHEDULE.

Districts.	Judges of Assessment Courts.
PROVINCIAL DISTRICT OF AUCKLAND.	
Tauraroa Highway Board District	James Stephenson Clendon, Esq.
Okahu Highway Board District	James Stephenson Clendon, Esq.
Omaru Highway Board District	James Stephenson Clendon, Esq.
Tatarariki Highway Board District	James Stephenson Clendon, Esq.
Waikahikatea Highway Board District	James Stephenson Clendon, Esq.
Matakohe Highway Board District	James Stephenson Clendon, Esq.
Paparoa Highway Board District	James Stephenson Clendon, Esq.
Wairoa Highway Board District	James Stephenson Clendon, Esq.
Pukekaroro Highway Board District	James Stephenson Clendon, Esq.

## PROVINCIAL DISTRICT OF OTAGO.

Municipality of North-East Valley	...	...	...	Isaac Newton Watt, Esq., R.M.
Municipality of Caversham	...	...	...	John Bathgate, Esq., R.M.

## PROVINCIAL DISTRICT OF WESTLAND.

Borough of Hokitika	...	...	...	Matthew Price, Esq., R.M.
Hokitika Harbour Board	...	...	...	Matthew Price, Esq., R.M.

*Appointing Day for Election of Board of Governors, Auckland College.*

NORMANBY, Governor.

IN pursuance and exercise of the power and authority for that purpose vested in me by "The Auckland College and Grammar School Act, 1877," I, the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, hereby notify that the first election of the Board of Governors of the Auckland College not having been held on the 25th day of January last, as originally appointed, I do hereby appoint Friday, the 5th day of April next, as the day for holding the first election of the said Board of Governors.

Given under my hand, at Auckland, this sixth day of March, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-eight.

*Resignation of Minister accepted.*

Government House,  
Auckland, 5th March, 1877.

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

The Hon. WILLIAM JAMES MUDIE LARNACH,  
of the offices of Colonial Treasurer, Minister of Public Works, and Commissioner of Stamps.

IRWIN C. MALING,  
Captain, 23rd Regiment,  
Private Secretary.

*Despatch from the Secretary of State.*

Colonial Secretary's Office,  
Wellington, 12th March, 1878.

THE following despatch from Her Majesty's Principal Secretary of State for the Colonies is published for general information.

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

Downing Street, 29th August, 1877.

MY LORD,—With reference to my circular despatch of this day's date, I have the honor to inform your Lordship that the Queen has been graciously pleased to approve of Mr. H. B. Gresson, and Mr. H. S. Chapman, who have retired from the Bench of the Supreme Court of New Zealand, being permitted to bear the title of "Honorable" for life, within the colony, and to take precedence next after the Puisne Judges of the Supreme Court.

I have, &c.,  
CARNARVON.

Governor the Most Hon. the  
Marquis of Normanby, G.C.M.G., &c.

*Importation of Sheep into New South Wales.*

Colonial Secretary's Office,  
Wellington, 11th March, 1878.

THE following letter from the Colonial Secretary of New South Wales is published for general information.

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

Colonial Secretary's Office,  
Sydney, 22nd February, 1878.

SIR,—In acknowledging the receipt of your telegram of the 14th instant, stating that the sheep in the whole of New Zealand are perfectly free from all diseases which the prohibition of importation was designed to bar, and that neither foot and mouth disease, pleuro-pneumonia, nor rinderpest exist in any part of your colony, I have the honor to invite your attention to the provisions of the New South Wales "Sheep Act of 1866," and of "The Diseases in Sheep Act Amendment Act of 1876" (copies of which were forwarded to you in my letter of the 2nd of this month); and to request that you will be good enough to state whether scab exists in New Zealand, as, if it does, it would preclude the landing of sheep therefrom in this colony except for quarantine.

I have, &c.,  
M. FITZPATRICK.

The Hon. the Colonial Secretary of  
New Zealand, Wellington.

*Notice by Mayor of Hokitika under Section 145 of "The Municipal Corporations Act, 1876."*

Colonial Secretary's Office,  
Wellington, 9th March, 1878.

THE following notice, received from his Worship the Mayor of Hokitika, is published for general information, in accordance with section 145 of "The Municipal Corporations Act, 1876."

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

Town Clerk's Office,  
Hokitika, January, 1878.

SIR,—I have the honor to give you notice that, at a poll of the burgesses of the Borough of Hokitika, taken at Hokitika, under section 142 of "The Municipal Corporations Act, 1876," on the twenty-eighth day of December, 1877, a resolution was carried to raise a special loan of £16,000 for water supply to the said borough, £8,000 for drainage works, £4,000 for beach protective works, and £7,000 for public works, roadways, and footways in the said borough, and to pay the Bank overdraft.

It is proposed to pledge as security for above loan a special rate of one shilling in the pound on all rateable property within the borough; the balance of interest and sinking fund to be made chargeable against the Borough Fund Account (exclusive of grants from the General Government).

I have the honor to request that you will have the goodness to cause this notice to be published in the *New Zealand Gazette*, in accordance with the provisions of section 145 of the said Act.

I have, &c.,  
F. A. LEARMONTH,  
Mayor of Hokitika.

The Hon. the Colonial Secretary,  
Wellington.

*Ranger under "The Protection of Animals Act, 1873," appointed.*

Colonial Secretary's Office,  
Wellington, 12th March, 1878.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint

WILLIAM MORGAN MORGANS,  
of Waikawa, Otago, to be a Ranger under "The Protection of Animals Act, 1873."  
J. BALLANCE,  
(in the absence of the Colonial Secretary.)

*Clerk of Assessment Courts appointed.*

Colonial Secretary's Office,  
Wellington, 12th March, 1878.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint

CYPRIAN WYNARD BRIDGE  
to be Clerk of the Assessment Court, under "The Rating Act, 1876," for the following districts within the County of Akaroa:—  
Okain's Bay Road District.  
Pigeon Bay Road District.  
Port Levy Road District.  
Little River Road District.  
J. BALLANCE,  
(in the absence of the Colonial Secretary.)

*Letters of Naturalization issued.*

Colonial Secretary's Office,  
Wellington, 12th March, 1878.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to issue Letters of Naturalization under "The Aliens Act, 1866," in favour of the under-mentioned person, viz.,—

Name.	Occupation.	Residence.
Phillip Mitchell	Bookseller	Dunedin.

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

*Chairmen and Members of Local Cattle Boards resigned.*

Colonial Secretary's Office,  
Wellington, 13th March, 1878.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased, under "The Diseased Cattle Act, 1871," to accept the resignation of the following Chairmen and Members of Local Cattle Boards, for the districts placed opposite their names:—

Name.	District.
HON. JAMES MACANDREW	Otago.
WILLIAM ROLLESTON, Esq.	Canterbury.

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

*Chairmen of Local Cattle Boards appointed.*

Colonial Secretary's Office,  
Wellington, 13th March, 1878.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased, under "The Diseased Cattle Act, 1871," to appoint the following gentlemen to be Chairmen of Local Cattle Boards, for the districts placed opposite their names, viz.,—

Name.	District.
HON. GEORGE BUCKLEY	Canterbury.
JOHN MACLEAN, Esq.	Otago.

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

*Members of Local Cattle Boards appointed.*

Colonial Secretary's Office,  
Wellington, 13th March, 1878.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased, under "The Diseased Cattle Act, 1871," to appoint the following gentlemen to be Members of the Local Cattle Boards for the districts placed opposite their names, viz.:—

Name.	District.
CHARLES NEWTON, Esq.	Canterbury.
JOHN ROBERTS, Esq.	Otago.

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

*Keeper for Mount Wellington Pound appointed.*

Colonial Secretary's Office,  
Wellington, 13th March, 1878.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to approve the appointment of

HENRY ALEXANDER,  
as Poundkeeper of the Public Pound for Mount Wellington Highway District.

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

*Member of Licensing Court appointed.*

Department of Justice,  
Wellington, 7th March, 1878.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint

ROBERT CALDWELL REID, Esq., J.P.,  
to be a Member of the Licensing Courts for the Districts of Waimea, Kanieri, and Town of Hokitika; vice F. C. Tabart, Esq., J.P.

J. BALLANCE,  
(for the Minister of Justice.)

*Accountant in Bankruptcy appointed.*

Department of Justice,  
Wellington, 8th March, 1878.

IT is hereby notified that His Honor Mr. Justice Williams has appointed

FREDERICK CHARLES WHITE,  
of Dunedin, to be a Certificated Accountant in Bankruptcy within the Judicial District of Otago and Southland.

J. BALLANCE,  
(for the Minister of Justice.)

*Appointments in Customs Department.*

Customs Department,  
Wellington, 11th March, 1878.

IN virtue of the powers delegated to the Commissioner of Customs by His Excellency the Governor, the following appointments have been made in the Customs Department:—

JOSEPH SLATER, Esq.,  
to be Landing Surveyor at the Port of Lyttelton;  
WILSON HEAPS, Esq.,

to be Landing Surveyor at the Port of Wellington.  
These appointments to date from 1st instant.

J. BALLANCE,  
Commissioner of Customs.

NOTICE TO MARINERS.

No. 8 of 1878.

Customs Department (Marine Branch),  
Wellington, 8th March, 1878.

THE following Notices to Mariners, received from the Marine Board at Port Adelaide, and Portmaster at Brisbane, are published for general information.

J. BALLANCE.

SOUTH AUSTRALIA.—SPENCER GULF—EASTERN SHOAL.

MARINERS are hereby informed that, in accordance with a notice issued from this office on the 26th December, 1877, a fixed white light will be shown from a lightship, to be moored in nine (9) fathoms at low water to the westward of the north end of the Eastern Shoal, Spencer Gulf, in lat. 33° 3' 15" S., and long. 137° 46' 30" E.

The light will be exhibited on the night of the 1st April, 1878, and will be visible, in clear weather, from a distance of about eight (8) miles.

R. H. FERGUSON,  
President Marine Board.

Marine Board Offices, Port Adelaide,  
31st January, 1878.

TEMPORARY LIGHT, LOW ISLANDS, TRINITY BAY.

On and after this date, while the lighthouse on the Low Islands is in course of construction, a temporary light will be exhibited between sunset and sunrise, from the western island, at an elevation of 40 feet above high water. In fine weather the light will be visible from a distance of eight or nine miles.

G. P. HEATH, Commander, R.N.,  
Portmaster.

Department of Ports and Harbours,  
Brisbane, 27th December, 1877.

Authority to Frank cancelled.

General Post Office,  
Wellington, 8th March, 1878.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to cancel the authority to frank granted in favour of

CHAIRMEN OF EDUCATION BOARDS.

(Vide the New Zealand Gazette for 1877, page 110.)

J. BALLANCE,  
(for the Postmaster-General.)

Clerk in Surveyor-General's Department appointed.

General Survey Office,  
Wellington, 8th March, 1878.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint

GEORGE WRIGHT,

to be a Clerk in the Surveyor-General's Department, from 1st November, 1877. Promoted from the Treasury.

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

Commissioner of Railways for the Middle Island appointed.

Public Works Office,  
Wellington, 12th March, 1878.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to promote

WILLIAM CONYERS, Esq.,

to be Commissioner of Railways for the Middle Island, from the 1st instant.

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

New Zealand Railways.—Storage Rates for Lyttelton Station, in cancellation of all previous Storage Rates in force thereat.

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 in the rates for storage at Lyttelton Station, in cancellation of all previous storage rates in force thereat, are hereby declared to be fixed, and shall come into force from the 11th day of March, 1878:—

CLASS E.

	£	s.	d.
For all goods under Class E not taken delivery of by the consignees within five (5) working hours after arrival (to be kept in the railway wagons or stored at the risk of the owner, and at the option of the General Manager), for receiving and delivering to the ship and storage thereon, for the first week or fraction of a week, at per ton or fraction of a ton	0	3	0
For the second week or fraction thereof an additional charge for storage will be made, at per ton or fraction of a ton, of	0	0	6
After which for each additional week or fraction of a week, for each ton or fraction of a ton, the storage charge will be	0	0	2

GENERAL MERCHANDISE.

For all goods in Classes A, B, C, and D, not taken delivery of by consignees within five (5) working hours after arrival, the storage charges will be, for each week or fraction of a week, at per ton (minimum charge, 1s.)	0	2	0
When delivered to ship's side an additional charge for haulage will be made, at the rate of, per ton (minimum charge, 6d.)	0	1	6

WOOL.

The charge for storage for wool not taken delivery of by consignees within five (5) working hours after arrival will be, for each week or fraction of a week, for each bale	0	1	0
When delivered to ship's side an additional charge for haulage will be made, at the rate of, per ton	0	1	6

Dated this 7th day of March, 1878.

J. BALLANCE,  
Minister acting for Minister for  
Public Works.

Gold-Mining Lease to be granted.

PUBLIC NOTIFICATION.

IN conformity with the thirty-seventh section of "The Mines Act, 1877," and with the regulations made under that Act for the granting of leases for gold-mining purposes within the Provincial District of Otago, it is hereby notified that it is intended to grant a lease for gold-mining purposes of Crown lands to the applicant specified in the annexed Schedule, unless there shall be valid objections against such lease.

Objections to the granting of such lease, stating the grounds of objection, must be made in writing, and lodged with the Warden at Queenstown, on or before the 27th day of March, 1878.

Copy of the application made and plans annexed may be seen at the Warden's Office at Queenstown.

SCHEDULE.

JOSEPH DURIE. For three acres of land, more or less, as the same may be found after survey to be within the pegs and trenches of the applicants, situated at Maori Point, near Upper Shotover.

Given under my hand, at Wellington, this eleventh day of March, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-eight.

J. BALLANCE,  
Minister.

*Gold-Mining Lease to be granted.*

PUBLIC NOTIFICATION.

IN conformity with the thirty-seventh section of "The Mines Act, 1877," and with the regulations made under that Act for the granting of leases for gold-mining purposes within the Provincial District of Otago, it is hereby notified that it is intended to grant a lease for gold-mining purposes of Crown lands to the applicants specified in the annexed Schedule, unless there shall be valid objections against granting such lease.

Objections to the granting of such lease, stating the grounds of objection, must be made in writing, and lodged with the Warden at Naseby, on or before the 27th day of March, 1878.

Copy of the application made and plans annexed may be seen at the Warden's Office at Naseby.

SCHEDULE.

WALTER INDER and others. For sixteen acres of land, more or less, as the same may be found after survey to be within the pegs and trenches of the applicants, situated at Bow's Creek, Serpentine.

Given under my hand, at Wellington, this eleventh day of March, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-eight.

J. BALLANCE,  
Minister.

*Gold-Mining Lease to be granted.*

PUBLIC NOTIFICATION.

IN conformity with the thirty-seventh section of "The Mines Act, 1877," and with the regulations made under that Act for the granting of leases for gold-mining purposes within the Provincial District of Otago, it is hereby notified that it is intended to grant a lease for gold-mining purposes of Crown lands to the applicants specified in the annexed Schedule, unless there shall be valid objections against granting such lease.

Objections to the granting of such lease, stating the grounds of objection, must be made in writing, and lodged with the Warden at Arrowtown, on or before the 27th day of March, 1878.

Copy of the application made and plans annexed may be seen at the Warden's Office at Arrowtown.

SCHEDULE.

JAMES F. HEALEY and others. For seven acres of land, more or less, as the same may be found after survey to be within the pegs and trenches of the applicants, adjoining the Gladstone Reef, left-hand branch of Sawyer's Gully, Twelve-Mile Creek, Arrow River.

Given under my hand, at Wellington, this eleventh day of March, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-eight.

J. BALLANCE,  
Minister.

*Mining Inspector appointed.*

General Crown Lands Office,  
Wellington, 6th March, 1878.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint

HENRY GOLDSMITH, Esq.,  
to be Mining Inspector for the Hauraki Gold Mining District.

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.
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	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	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.
<p>purposes. Notice whereof is published in the Provincial Gazette, 1874, No. 32, page 180.</p>	<p>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.</p>	<p>As a cemetery.</p>
<p>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 Provincial Gazette, 1875, No. 36, page 283.</p>	<p>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.</p>	

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.
<p>Section No. 350 (in red), in the Provincial District of Canterbury. Road, Railway, and Telegraph purposes; notice whereof is published in the New Zealand Gazette, 1877, No. 84, page 1011.</p>	<p>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.</p>	<p>For the Ashburton Agricultural and Pastoral Association.</p>

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

*Auditors of Education Boards appointed.*

Education Department,  
Wellington, 12th March, 1878.

PURSUANT to section 44 of "The Education Act, 1877," His Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint the under-mentioned gentlemen to be Auditors of the accounts of the Education Boards of the districts specified opposite the name of each respectively, that is to say,—

- Auckland ... Benjamin Maclean, Esq.
- Taranaki ... Clarence Rennell, Esq.
- Patea ... Charles Allan Wray, Esq.
- Hawke's Bay { George Edward Gordon Richardson, Esq.
- Wellington ... Robert Macalister, Esq.
- Marlborough ... Cyrus Goulter, Esq.
- Nelson ... Robert Pollock, Esq.
- Westland ... Edward Patten, Esq.
- Canterbury ... John Ollivier, Esq.
- Otago ... Henry Livingston, Esq.

J. BALLANCE.

*Resignation of Volunteer Officers.*

Auckland, 7th March, 1878.

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

- Honorary Assistant-Surgeon George Cecil Jackson, Arrow Rifle Volunteers.
- Captain Paul, No. 2 Hauraki Rifle Volunteers.
- Sub-Lieutenant Joseph Coulthard, No. 2 Company Waiuku Rifles.

G. S. WHITMORE.

*Appointment of Volunteer Officers.*

Auckland, 7th March, 1878.

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

*In the Mauku Forest Rifles.*

Acting Sub-Lieutenant William Rowan Crawford to be Sub-Lieutenant. Date of commission, 23rd August, 1877.

*In the No. 2 Hauraki Rifle Volunteers.*

Lieutenant J. Stormont Small to be Captain. Date of commission, 7th December, 1877.  
Sergeant William John Barlow to be Lieutenant. Date of commission, 7th December, 1877.

*In the Hokitika Cadets.*

Archibald Little to be Captain. Date of commission, 7th February, 1878.

G. S. WHITMORE.

*Inquiry for a Missing Person.*

Colonial Secretary's Office,  
Wellington, 12th March, 1878.

INQUIRY has been made by the Consul-General for Italy, at Melbourne, respecting an Italian named

ANTONIO or STEFANO GIN,

who is supposed to be residing in New Zealand.

Any one possessing information respecting the above-named person is requested to communicate the same to this office.

G. S. COOPER.



*Twenty-third of March instant a Public Holiday in Otago.*

Colonial Secretary's Office,  
Wellington, 13th March, 1878.

IT is hereby notified that Saturday, the twenty-third day of March instant, is to be observed as a General Holiday in all departments of the Government throughout the Provincial District of Otago.

By command.

G. S. COOPER,  
Under Secretary.

OFFICIATING MINISTERS FOR 1878.—NOTICE No. 6.

Registrar-General's Office,  
Wellington, 11th March, 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 intituled "The Marriage Act, 1854," the following names of Officiating Ministers within the meaning of the said Act are published for general information:—

*United Methodist Free Churches.*

The Reverend HENRY RICHARD WILKINSON.

*Presbyterian Church of New Zealand.*

The Reverend JACOB URWIN SPENCE.

WM. R. E. BROWN,

Registrar-General.

*Depository of Duty Stamps appointed.*

Head Office, Stamp Department,  
Wellington, 19th February, 1878.

IT is hereby notified for public information that

Mr. ALBERT BOYES,

Postmaster at Waiholā, in the County of Bruce, has been appointed a Depository of Duty Stamps.

R. C. HAMERTON,

Secretary for Stamps.

[The above notice is in substitution for that which appeared in the *New Zealand Gazette* of 21st February, 1878.]

*Notification of Resignation of Seat in the House of Representatives for Electoral District of Port Chalmers.*

IN compliance with the provisions of the 13th section of "The Regulation of Elections Act, 1870," I hereby notify that the Honorable William Hunter Reynolds resigned his seat in the House of Representatives for the Electoral District of Port Chalmers on the fourth day of March, 1878; and that the said seat is vacant by reason of such resignation.

Dated at Wellington, the twelfth day of March, 1878.

WILLIAM FITZHERBERT,  
Speaker.

*Balance-Sheet of the Auckland Savings Bank for the Year 1877.*

STATEMENT of the Receipts and Payments of the Auckland Savings Bank, for the Year ending 31st December, 1877.

RECEIPTS.			
	£	s. d.	£ s. d.
Cash in hand 1st January, 1877...	...	...	22,600 2 11
Amounts lodged by Depositors ...	79,678	6 0	
Interest added during the year ...	395	0 6	
Interest added 31st December, 1877 ...	3,936	11 2	
			84,009 17 8

Interest on Mortgages and Debentures ...	5,276	17 3	
Interest on Deposit with Bank of Australasia...	1,850	18 8	
Mortgages repaid ...	30,027	5 1	
Insurances repaid ...	42	17 9	
	£143,807	19 4	

PAYMENTS.

	£	s. d.	£ s. d.
Repaid Depositors ...	71,241	5 9	
Interest credited to Depositors	4,331	11 8	
			75,572 17 5
Charges ...	1,195	9 9	
Insurances prepaid ...	48	12 9	
Invested on Mortgage ...	25,525	0 0	
Cash in hand ...	41,465	19 5	
	£143,807	19 4	

RICHARD CAMERON, Manager.

S. G. ROUNTREE, Accountant.

We hereby certify that we have examined the above statement of the receipts and payments of the Auckland Savings Bank, and that, to the best of our belief, it contains a true and correct account of all transactions of the Bank during the year; and that the balance of cash in hand amounts to forty-one thousand four hundred and sixty-five pounds nineteen shillings and fivepence (£41,465 19s. 5d.)

GEO. P. PIERCE,

J. M. SHERA,

THOMAS MACKAY,

JAMES THOS. BOYLAN,

} Trustees.

Auckland, 31st December, 1877.

STATEMENT of the Assets and Liabilities of the Auckland Savings Bank on 31st December, 1877.

ASSETS.			
	£	s. d.	£ s. d.
To Amount invested on Mortgage	70,935	0 0	
„ Amount invested in Debentures	5,900	0 0	
	76,835	0 0	
Less Investment Fluctuation Account ...	1,500	0 0	
			75,335 0 0
„ Amount of Interest due 31st December, 1877	1,728	14 2	
„ Bank Premises ...	3,500	0 0	
„ Cash in Bank ...	41,465	19 5	
			£122,029 13 7
„ Balance ...	£13,158	19 1	

LIABILITIES.

	£	s. d.
By Amount due 3,721 Depositors ...	108,870	14 6
„ Balance ...	13,158	19 1
	£122,029	13 7

RICHARD CAMERON, Manager.

S. G. ROUNTREE, Accountant.

We hereby certify that, to the best of our belief, the above is a true and correct statement of the assets and liabilities of the Bank, on the 31st December, 1877.

GEO. P. PIERCE,

J. M. SHERA,

THOMAS MACKAY,

JAMES THOS. BOYLAN,

} Trustees.

Auckland, 31st December, 1877.

Bank of Australasia, 26th January, 1878.

I hereby certify that the amount at credit of the Trustees of the Auckland Savings Bank, in account with the Bank of Australasia, on the 31st December, 1877, was forty-one thousand four hundred and sixty-five pounds nineteen shillings and fivepence (£41,465 19s. 5d.)

J. LAWFORD, Manager.

*Invercargill Savings Bank.*

**BALANCE-SHEET** of the Invercargill Savings Bank, for the year ending 31st December, 1877.

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Balance 31st December, 1876 ...	5,834	14	9			
Amount deposited, 1877 ...	8,513	18	10			
Interest paid on Accounts closed ...	24	0	7			
Interest credited Depositors ...	231	15	9			
Amount withdrawn, 1877 ...				7,706	9	4
Balance at credit of Depositors, 1877 ...				6,898	0	7
	£14,604	9	11	£14,604	9	11

INTEREST ACCOUNT.

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Balance from 1876 ...	154	1	10			
Amount of Interest received, 1877 ...	459	5	7			
Interest paid on Accounts closed ...				24	0	7
Interest paid Depositors, 1877 ...				231	15	9
Charges Account ...				149	9	2
Balance ...				208	1	11
	£613	7	5	£613	7	5

INVESTMENT ACCOUNT.

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Amount at credit of Depositors, 1877 ...	6,898	0	7			
Interest Account balance ...	208	1	11			
Money advanced on Mortgage ...				3,685	0	0
Cash in National Bank ...				3,421	2	6
	£7,106	2	6	£7,106	2	6

We, the undersigned Trustees and Auditors, have counted the cash in hand, and have, to the best of our belief, ascertained the correctness of the said account or balance-sheet.

JOHN R. CUTHBERTSON, } Trustees  
JOSEPH STOCK, } and Auditors.

WM. P. GRIGOR, Vice-President.

G. H. MAITLAND, } Trustees.  
JOHN HARE, }  
FRED. W. WADE, }

31st January, 1878.

*Dunedin Savings Bank.*

**STATEMENT** of RECEIPTS and PAYMENTS of the DUNEDIN SAVINGS BANK, during the Year ending 31st December, 1877.

RECEIPTS.				PAYMENTS.			
	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
Balance from last year ...				1. Withdrawn by Depositors ...	27,766	15	10
1. Lodged by Depositors ...	25,892	18	7	2. Invested on Mortgage ...	2,555	0	0
2. Interest on Loans ...	3,591	14	11	3. Charges ...	466	14	0
"    Bank Account ...	348	5	1	4. Insurance Premiums advanced ...	7	17	0
3. Exchange refunded ...	0	1	0	5. Exchange ...	0	1	0
4. Loans repaid ...	2,436	0	0	Balance ...	6,223	13	4
5. Rents ...	89	18	0				
6. Insurance Premiums ...	5	17	0				
7. Fines ...	0	17	6				
			32,365	12	1		
			£37,020	1	2		
							£37,020
							1
							2

We hereby certify that we have examined the above statement of receipts and payments of the Dunedin Savings Bank, have compared the same with the books of the Bank, and that, to the best of our knowledge and belief, it contains a true and correct account of all the transactions of the Bank.

E. SMITH,  
Manager and Accountant.

WILLIAM H. REYNOLDS, } Trustees.  
A. HILL JACK, }

WILLIAM BROWN, } Auditors.  
A. H. MOODIE, }

**BALANCE-SHEET** of the DUNEDIN SAVINGS BANK, for the Year ending 31st December, 1877.

	BALANCES, 31ST DEC., 1876.		TRANSACTIONS, 1877.		BALANCES, 31ST DEC., 1877.	
	Dr.	Cr.	Dr.	Cr.	Dr.	Cr.
	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Depositors' Accounts ...				27,766	15	10
Interest ...				2,264	1	1
				27,766	15	10
Suspense Account ...			1			0
Fine Account ...				0	17	6
Loans on Mortgage ...	48,641	0	0	2,555	0	0
Interest ...	1,301	18	4	3,968	10	7
Insurance Premiums, Loan				7	17	0
Rents ...				143	13	0
Land and Building ...	4,069	14	4			
Profit and Loss ...			9,804	18	8	
Bank Account ...	4,654	9	1	2,730	15	1
				32,365	12	1
Totals ...	58,667	1	9	69,539	1	1
				69,539	1	1
					60,439	10
					7	60,439
						10
						7

EDMUND SMITH,  
Manager and Accountant.

Examined and found correct.

A. HILL JACK, } Trustees.  
WILLIAM H. REYNOLDS, }

ABSTRACT of METEOROLOGICAL OBSERVATIONS, New Zealand, for the Month of NOVEMBER, 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.		CLOUD.
	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. (Saturation =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 (0to10)
			Mean Temp.	Mean Daily Range.	Extremes.											
			Max. Temp.	Min. Temp.	Range.											
MONGONUI ...	30.055	.413	64.4	19.9	88.0	44.0	44.0	159.0	...	.461	77	1.850	11	142	285, 4th	5.6
Previous 11 years	29.966	...	61.8	...	...	...	...	...	...	.426	74	4.049	11	...	...	...
AUCKLAND ...	30.049	.643	61.0	16.2	80.5	45.3	35.2	156.0	36.2	.416	78	2.435	12	274	561, 21st	5.8
Previous 13 years	29.922	...	61.1	...	...	...	...	...	...	.418	78	2.980	13	...	...	...
TARANAKI ...	30.027	.580	57.1	16.3	74.0	42.0	32.0	143.0	38.0	.375	80	3.860	11	254	530, 4th	6.4
Previous 13 years	29.910	...	58.6	...	...	...	...	...	...	.380	73	3.720	13	...	...	...
NAPIER ...	29.966	.666	63.3	17.1	87.0	43.0	44.0	134.0	38.0	.394	68	1.030	7	222	510, 4th	2.0
Previous 9 years	29.927	...	61.5	...	...	...	...	...	...	.407	75	2.495	8	...	...	...
WELLINGTON ...	29.925	.792	58.1	13.8	72.3	39.3	33.0	136.0	35.0	.367	76	2.910	10	294	700, 4th	5.1
Previous 13 years	29.840	...	56.9	...	...	...	...	...	...	.349	73	4.092	12	...	...	...
*WANGANUI ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Previous 5 years	30.080	...	58.0	...	...	...	...	...	...	.358	73	3.317	10	...	...	...
NELSON ...	29.592	.663	60.0	22.5	79.0	36.0	43.0	147.0	...	.353	70	2.250	6	184	352, 3rd	3.8
Previous 13 years	29.844	...	58.2	...	...	...	...	...	...	.393	75	4.815	7	...	...	...
CAPE CAMPBELL ...	29.990	.650	59.1	11.2	73.5	47.2	26.3	...	...	.407	82	.420	2	545	885, 5th	6.2
Previous 3 years	29.860	...	59.7	...	...	...	...	...	...	.380	78	1.895	8	...	...	...
CHRISTCHURCH ...	29.817	.821	57.4	22.9	80.0	33.3	46.7	148.7	22.0	.328	69	1.160	6	175	566, 5th	5.2
Previous 13 years	29.974	...	58.8	...	...	...	...	...	...	.353	74	2.133	10	...	...	...
*BEALEY ...	29.659	.724	49.8	14.4	70.0	32.0	38.0	132.0	25.0	.212	59	18.120	19	317	552, 10th	5.4
Previous 9 years	29.770	...	50.7	...	...	...	...	...	...	.301	79	7.161	15	...	...	...
HOKITIKA ...	29.952	.710	53.2	11.6	63.9	36.1	27.8	144.0	33.8	.357	87	16.210	19	146	369, 5th	7.0
Previous 11 years	29.884	...	54.9	...	...	...	...	...	...	.370	83	9.519	15	...	...	...
DUNEDIN ...	29.555	.911	55.7	20.5	74.0	38.0	36.0	110.0	28.0	.268	61	1.020	8	165	360, 8th	5.1
Previous 12 years	29.794	...	52.9	...	...	...	...	...	...	.291	72	2.597	14	...	...	...
*QUEENSTOWN ...	29.720	.940	53.3	17.6	72.9	37.1	35.8	...	...	.238	59	7.740	14	103	150, 24th	6.1
Previous 5 years	29.925	...	53.7	...	...	...	...	...	...	.253	62	3.155	10	...	...	...
SOUTHLAND ...	29.670	.840	53.0	22.0	80.0	32.0	48.0	144.0	...	...	...	1.390	20	336	472, 15th	7.0
Previous 12 years	29.733	...	52.6	...	...	...	...	...	...	.288	72	3.667	14	...	...	...

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

NOTES FOR NOVEMBER, 1877.

**Mongonui.**—Very fine weather; small rainfall, the maximum recorded on 4th, .80 in.; prevailing N.W. and W. winds, strong on 4th, 5th, 6th, and 7th.

**Auckland.**—Generally fine; rather showery at commencement of month; winds moderate and prevailing from S. and S.W., strong on 21st; often hot during mornings with cool nights; maximum rain recorded on 21st, .430 in.

**Taranaki.**—Unsettled showery weather early part, with thunder on 1st and 7th; strong N.W. winds on 3rd, 4th, and 6th; finer during middle and end of month; prevailing N.W. and S.W. winds; maximum rain recorded on 11th, .63 in.; fog on 10th.

**Napier.**—Fine dry weather generally with moderate winds prevailing from N.E.; loud thunder on 7th with showers; maximum rain recorded on 21st, .61 in.

**Wellington.**—Violent gale on 2nd, N.W., rain in night; also on 3rd strong gale during day and night, N.W., at midnight loud peal of thunder and vivid lightning, the latter continuing all night, and rain, 1.10 in. recorded on 4th, maximum for month; strong wind on night of 4th from N.W.; showery up to 7th, then fine generally to end of month, though heavy rain during afternoon and night of 19th; .700 in. recorded on 20th; very stormy on 16th, 17th, and 18th; also on 22nd from N.W.; wind prevailed from N.W. and generally strong; small total rainfall.

**Wanganui.**—

**Nelson.**—Fine weather; strong W. winds from 2nd to 7th; maximum rain recorded on 4th, .86 in.; thunder on 2nd and 3rd; prevailing N.W. and S.W. winds.

**Cape Campbell.**—Very dry weather with gales of wind from W. and N.W. almost daily; maximum rain recorded on 4th, .38 in.

**Christchurch.**—Fine on 1st, but at noon on 2nd strong N.W. wind set in and continued until 6th, when a violent hail, thunder, and lightning storm set in; fine again on 7th, and continued so throughout remainder of month; at times very warm, dry weather experienced; the maximum rainfall recorded on 4th, .75 in.; prevailing winds from N.W. and S.W., and strong from 2nd to 6th.

**Bealey.**—Very showery unpleasant weather throughout with prevailing N. and N.W. winds, often reaching gales; thunder on 3rd and 4th; snow on 6th; hail on 4th and 5th; maximum rain recorded on 4th, 4.50 in.

**Hokitika.**—Very wet month; some fine weather towards end of month; maximum rain on 19th, 2.23 in.; several heavy falls; gale on 2nd and 3rd from N.E., and 4th, 5th, and 10th, from S.W.; thunder on 3rd, 4th, and 5th; hail from 2nd to 6th; hailstones of very large size on 4th; fog on 28th, 29th, and 30th; prevailing S.W. wind.

**Dunedin.**—Exceedingly fine and very dry month; prevailing W. winds and moderate; maximum rain recorded on 10th, .48 in.

**Queenstown.**—Heavy rainfall, especially early part; the maximum recorded on 18th, 1.61 in. falling during night of 17th; rivers flooded and lake rose above ordinary level; thunderstorms on 2nd, 9th, 18th, and 27th; prevailing N.W. winds and moderate.

**Southland.**—Strong cold winds almost daily, chiefly from W. and S.W.; small rainfall; the maximum recorded on 8th, .28 in.; hail on 7th.

GENERAL REMARKS.

During early part of month strong westerly gale experienced at almost all stations, accompanied at most places with heavy rain, hail, and thunder, causing floods; the latter part of month generally fine and pleasant; except at one or two localities the rain was under the average. Earthquakes felt at Wellington on 6th, at 9.10 a.m., slight, and on 7th at 8.21 p.m., slight; at Kaiapoi and Rangiora, on 21st.

J. HECTOR, Inspector.

**R**EGISTRAR-GENERAL'S REPORT on the Vital Statistics of the Boroughs of Auckland, Thames, Wellington, Nelson, Christchurch, Dunedin, and Hokitika, during the Month of February, 1878.

TABLE showing the Number of Births, the actual Mortality of Males and Females, and the Proportion of Deaths to Population, in the Boroughs of Auckland, Thames, Wellington, Nelson, Christchurch, Dunedin, and Hokitika, during the Month of February, 1878.

BOROUGH.	ESTI-MATED POPULA-TION, JAN. 1878.	TOTAL BIRTHS.	DEATHS IN THE BOROUGHS REGISTERED IN FEBRUARY, 1878.						Total Deaths.	Proportion of Deaths to the 1,000 of Population.
			Males.			Females.				
			Under 1 Year.	1 & under 5 Years.	5 Years and over.	Under 1 Year.	1 & under 5 Years.	5 Years and over.		
Auckland ...	13,269	51	3	2	5	1	2	6	19	1.43
Thames ...	4,466	23	1	...	...	...	1	1	3	.67
Wellington ...	18,538	77	8	2	1	7	3	4	25	1.35
Nelson ...	5,659	18	3	1	1	5	2	...	12	2.12
Christchurch ...	13,513	48	4	2	3	4	...	1	14	1.04
Dunedin ...	25,512	72	2	1	5	2	...	3	13	.51
Hokitika ...	2,738	6	...	...	...	1	...	2	3	1.10
<b>Totals ...</b>	<b>...</b>	<b>295</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>89</b>	<b>...</b>

The deaths of persons not residents of the boroughs, occurring at hospitals, have been excluded in all cases. The estimates of the population are calculated on the number of inhabited houses in each borough, as shown in returns supplied by the municipal authorities. The births were 41 fewer than in January. The deaths were 38 fewer in number than the deaths in January. Of the deaths, males contributed 44; females, 45: 57 of the deaths were of children under 5 years of age, being 64.04 per cent. of the whole number; 41 of these were of children under 1 year of age. There were 3 deaths of persons of 65 years of age and over: 1 of these persons was a male and 2 females; 1 male of 68 and 1 female of 76 died at Auckland; and 1 female of 73 at Dunedin.

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 Proportions per Cent. of Deaths from each cause in the Boroughs named, and that were registered, during the Month of February, 1878.

CLASSES.	CAUSES OF DEATH.	AUCKLAND.		THAMES.		WELLINGTON.		NELSON.		CHRISTCH'CH.		DUNEDIN.		HOKITIKA.		TOTAL.	PROPORTIONS PER CENT.
		Under 5 Years.	5 Years & over.	Under 5 Years.	5 Years & over.	Under 5 Years.	5 Years & over.	Under 5 Years.	5 Years & over.	Under 5 Years.	5 Years & over.	Under 5 Years.	5 Years & over.				
I.	Zymotic Diseases ...	5	...	1	...	15	1	8	...	5	...	2	...	1	...	38	42.70
II.	Constitutional Diseases ...	...	2	...	1	...	...	2	...	1	2	...	3	...	...	11	12.36
III.	Local Diseases ...	1	5	1	...	2	...	1	...	3	1	2	4	...	2	22	24.72
IV.	Developmental Diseases ...	2	3	...	...	3	3	1	...	1	...	1	...	...	...	14	15.73
V.	Violent Deaths ...	...	1	...	...	...	1	...	...	1	...	1	...	...	...	4	4.49
	Unspecified ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	<b>Totals ...</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>89</b>	<b>100.00</b>

CLASS I.—ZYMOTIC DISEASES.

ORDER 1.—*Miasmatic Diseases*.—Whooping Cough, 8; Dysentery, 2; Diarrhoea, 23.  
 ORDER 3.—*Dietic Diseases*.—Inanition, 4.  
 ORDER 4.—*Parasitic Diseases*.—Thrush, 1.

CLASS II.—CONSTITUTIONAL DISEASES.

ORDER 1.—*Diathetic Diseases*.—Cancer, 2.  
 ORDER 2.—*Tubercular Diseases*.—Scrofula, 1; Tabes Mesenterica, 1; Phthisis, 5; Hydrocephalus, 2.

CLASS III.—LOCAL DISEASES.

ORDER 1.—*Diseases of Nervous System*.—Inflammation of Brain, 1; Apoplexy, 1; Paralysis, 2; Convulsions, 1; Brain Disease, 1.  
 ORDER 2.—*Diseases of Organs of Circulation*.—Pericarditis, 1; Heart Disease, 3.  
 ORDER 3.—*Diseases of Respiratory Organs*.—Pleurisy, 1; Pneumonia, 3.  
 ORDER 4.—*Diseases of Digestive Organs*.—Gastritis, 1; Enteritis, 3; Ileus, 1; Stomach Disease, 1; Splenitis, 1.  
 ORDER 5.—*Diseases of Urinary Organs*.—Suppression of Urine, 1.

CLASS IV.—DEVELOPMENTAL DISEASES.

ORDER 1.—*Developmental Diseases of Children*.—Premature Birth, 3; Malformation, 1; Teething, 1; Abscess, 1.  
 ORDER 2.—*Developmental Diseases of Adults*.—Childbirth, 4.  
 ORDER 3.—*Developmental Diseases of Old People*.—Old Age, 2.  
 ORDER 4.—*Diseases of Nutrition*.—Atrophy and Debility, 2.

CLASS V.—VIOLENT DEATHS.

ORDER 1.—*Accidental*.—Fracture, 1; Operation Surgical, 1; Traumatic Pneumonitis, 1.  
 ORDER 4.—*Suicidal*.—Hanging, 1.

*Comparison with the previous Month.*—At the Towns of Auckland, Nelson, and Hokitika, the death-rates for February were slightly higher than for January; at the other boroughs the rates were lower. The variation in the rates for the two months is most noticeable at Wellington, the proportion of deaths per 1,000 of population having fallen from 2.43 in January to 1.35 in February. The subjoined table shows the mortality for the two months at each town from six principal Zymotic diseases of the Miasmatic order, and also the deaths from certain inflammatory diseases of the lungs. These causes of death have been distinguished from the others of the classes to which they belong, as being the most important special diseases which give rise to sudden increases in the death-rates of towns, and the prevalence of which is closely connected with sanitary condition and climatic influence of the season on health.

SEVEN TOWNS.	SIX PRINCIPAL ZYMOTIC DISEASES.												PRINCIPAL LUNG DISEASES.							
	Measles.		Scarlet-Fever.		Typhus and other Fever.		Diphtheria.		Whooping Cough.		Dysentery and Diarrhoea.		Bronchitis.		Pleurisy.		Pneumonia.		Congestion of Lungs.	
	Jan.	Feb.	Jan.	Feb.	Jan.	Feb.	Jan.	Feb.	Jan.	Feb.	Jan.	Feb.	Jan.	Feb.	Jan.	Feb.	Jan.	Feb.	Jan.	Feb.
Auckland	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	4	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Thames	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Wellington	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	13	3	15	10	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...
Nelson	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3	4	2	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Christchurch	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	1	6	4	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...
Dunedin	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	2	...	...	1	1	1	...	...	...
Hokitika	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Totals	...	...	...	...	4	...	...	...	16	8	25	25	3	...	...	1	1	3	1	...

From the above it will be seen that Whooping Cough was less fatal in February than in January at Wellington, but that at Nelson it caused 1 more death than in the previous month. One death from it was registered at Christchurch last month. The mortality from Dysentery and Diarrhoea was the same for the two months, and not exceptionally high for the season of the year.

Taken as a whole the mortality in these boroughs from Zymotic diseases during February is low, and it is satisfactory to notice that no deaths occurred from fever of any kind. From all classes of disease there were fewer deaths than in January.

The accidental deaths in February numbered 3. A man fractured his skull by falling from his cart, a life was lost by operation performed for tumor, and a death occurred from traumatic pneumonitis, the result of injuries inflicted by bullocks. There was one case of suicide by hanging. In January there were 4 accidental deaths, but no suicide.

*Comparison with the previous Year.*—In February, 1877, there were 120 deaths registered in the boroughs, and Scarlatina, Diphtheria, Croup, Typhoid Fever, and Remittent Fever appeared amongst the causes of death, besides an equal number of deaths from Dysentery and Diarrhoea to that for last month. There were no deaths however from Whooping Cough in February, 1877. Phthisis was fatal in 12 cases in February, 1877, against 5 cases in February last. Deaths from local diseases were far more numerous in February, 1877, than in February, 1878, the numbers being respectively 40 and 22. At Christchurch the total number of deaths from all causes was 23 in February, 1877, against 14 in February, 1878; and at Dunedin 23, against 13 last month.

Registrar-General's Office,  
Wellington, 13th March, 1878.

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

PROVISIONAL METEOROLOGICAL RETURN FOR FEBRUARY, 1878.

	AUCKLAND.	WELLINGTON.	NELSON.	CHRIST-CHURCH.	HOKITIKA.	DUNEDIN.
Mean Temperature in Shade	63.8	60.4	60.1	57.4	59.0	55.5
Average for same month previous years	68.6	62.9	64.4	61.6	60.3	59.2
Maximum Temperature in Shade, and date	76.6 on 28th	76.0 on 5th	80.0 on 12th	86.2 on 25th	71.1 on 1st and 3rd	87.0 on 25th
Minimum Temperature in Shade, and date	51.2 on 28th	45.0 on 8th	43.0 on 7th	38.8 on 22nd	40.9 on 7th	41.0 on 16th
Maximum Temperature in Sun, and date	146.1 on 5th	141.0 on 3rd	...	147.0 on 25th	147.0 on 5th	123.0 on 5th
Minimum Temperature on Grass, and date	33.0 on 27th	39.0 on 7th and 8th	...	27.9 on 7th	37.0 on 3rd	35.0 on 14th
Mean Humidity (Saturation=100)	78	78	66	73	85	70
Average for same month previous years	74	71	74	76	85	72
Total Rainfall in inches	1.705	5.080	2.360	0.620	5.430	1.704
Average for same month previous years	4.124	3.698	5.981	2.072	7.670	2.409
Number of Days on which Rain fell	13	10	4	6	10	7
Average for same month previous years	11	9	5	7	11	13

NOTE.—This table is prepared from unchecked averages, transmitted by telegraph in anticipation of the full returns, and must not be entirely relied on for compiling Meteorological Statistics.

March, 1878.

J. HECTOR, Inspector.

## PARUA HIGHWAY DISTRICT.

NOTICE is hereby given that so much of the Waitaiki Block as is required for the Parua Beach Road will be taken by the Parua District Board, under "The Public Works Act, 1876."

The plan of the road is open for inspection at the residence of the Chairman. Any person affected having any well-grounded objection to the taking of the said land must send such objection in writing to the Parua Road Board, on or before the 1st day of April, 1878.

RICHARD HARNETT,  
Chairman, Parua District Board.

14th February, 1878.

## LAND TRANSFER ACT NOTICES.

NOTICE is hereby given that the several parcels of land hereinafter described will be brought under the provisions of "The Land Transfer Act, 1870," unless caveat be lodged forbidding the same on or before the 22nd day of April next.

587. SAMUEL REVANS and JOHN TULLY. —1333 acres, Sections 41, Moroa Block, and 216, Taratahi Plain Block. Occupied by Applicants.

778. JOHN SMITH, THOMAS MCKENZIE, and others.—34 perches, part of Allotment 40, Reclaimed Land, Wellington City. Occupied by the Odd Fellows' Lodges, A. Barnett, and others.

875. ROBERT KILGOUR.—106 acres, part of Block IV., Rangitikei District. Occupied by Applicant.

878. JOSEPH EDWARD NATHAN. — 17 acres, Sections B, C, D, 288, 290, 292, 294, 319, 321, 322, 323, 324, 325, 326, and 327, Township of Featherston. Unoccupied.

881. JOSEPH EDWARD NATHAN. — 96 acres 1 rood, Section 333, Taratahi Plain Block. Unoccupied.

Diagrams may be inspected at this office.

Dated this 13th day of March, 1878, at the Lands Registry Office, Wellington.

GEO. B. DAVY,  
District Land Registrar.

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## LAND TRANSFER ACT NOTICES.

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

CHARLES ANDERSON, Applicant.—Sections 182, 183, 286, and 287, Town of Clyde, Wairoa, Hawke's Bay, containing together 1 acre. Unoccupied. (C. L. Margoliouth, Broker.) 599.

EDWARD LYNDON, Applicant.—Lots 19 and 20, part of Suburban Sections 18 and 19, Township of Napier, Hawke's Bay, containing together 1 rood 30 perches. Occupied by Thomas Davis. (E. Lyndon, Broker.) 603.

EDWARD LYNDON, Applicant.—Section No. 185, Town of Napier, Hawke's Bay, containing 2 roods. Unoccupied. (E. Lyndon, Broker.) 587.

Diagrams may be inspected at this office.

Dated this 7th day of March, 1878, at the Lands Registry Office, Napier.

J. M. BATHAM,  
District Land Registrar.

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## LAND TRANSFER ACT NOTICES.

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

3098. EDWIN PARNHAM.—148 acres 1 rood 20 perches, Rural Section 1573, and parts of Sections 1261 and 1611, Mandeville District (Farm No. 3, on Plan 192). Occupied by Applicant.

3263. JAMES HOGG McPHERSON.—35 acres 2 roods 10 perches, part of Rural Section 6148, Ellesmere District. Occupied by Applicant.

3292. HENRY TAYLOR.—37 perches, part of Town Reserve 158, Christchurch City. Occupied by Applicant.

3367. HENRY WILLIAM BARON.—52 acres 3 roods 20 perches, part of Rural Section 3977, Timaru District. Occupied by John Thomas and George McKnight.

3405. JAMES SHERIFF.—1 rood, Section 180, Christchurch City. Occupied by Samuel Harrison, Samuel Cotton, and Applicant.

3408. GEORGE ALBERT RUNGE.—22 perches, part of Lot 42, Christchurch Town Reserve. Occupied by Applicant.

3427. HELEN ROSS.—2 roods, Sections 358 and 359, Timaru Town. Unoccupied.

3429. EDWARD GUNDRY.—10 acres, parts of Rural Section 1814, Oxford District. Occupied by Applicant.

3431. HENRY APPLEWHAITE WILLIAMS and WM. HOLLISS, 9 perches, part of Section 78, Lyttelton Town (Lot 4, Plan 170). Occupied by Applicants.

Diagrams may be inspected at this office.

Dated this 8th day of March, 1878, at the Lands Registry Office, Christchurch.

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

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## LAND TRANSFER ACT NOTICES.

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

Part of Sections 9, 10, 13, Block VII., Awamoko District; Sections 19, 26, 39, 40, part of 23, 25, 43, Block I., Maruwhenua District—HERBERT EDWARDS (by his Attorney, CHARLES GIFFORD MOORE), Applicant. No. 2479A.

Sections 46, 291, part of 13, 45, 383, 384, Town of Port Chalmers.—ANDREW THOMSON, JOHN THOMSON, and JANET MACFARLANE, Applicants. Nos. 2491 and 2492.

Sections 15, 16, 18, Block XXIX.; Section 25, Block XXXII., Town of Palmerston.—EDWARD FRANCIS WARD, as Registrar of Supreme Court, Applicant. No. 2501.

Part of Section 48, Block XII., Town of Dunedin.—EDWARD KIRK, and MARIA, his Wife, Applicants. No. 2512.

Land under Applications 1327 and 1395, Block IX., North Harbour and Blueskin District; Section 33, Upper Harbour West District.—JAMES COX MARSHALL and SAMUEL JAMES JACKMAN, Applicants. No. 2525.

Section 23, Block I., Town of Queenstown.—JAMES BRIDGE, Applicant. No. 2528.



Sections 19 and 20, Block V., Town of Lawrence.  
 —WILLIAM TOLCHER, Applicant. No. 2532.  
 Part of Section 16, Block XX., Town of Dunedin.  
 —SAMUEL STUART CARTY, Applicant. No. 2536.

Diagrams may be inspected at this office.  
 Dated this 8th day of March, 1878, at the Lands Registry Office, Dunedin.

A. W. SMITH,  
 District Land Registrar.

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LAND TRANSFER ACT NOTICE.

NOTICE is hereby given that HENRY WILSON, of Invercargill, Ironmonger, and THOMAS PERKINS, of the same place, Accountant, claiming as Devisees under the Will of ELIZABETH COWPER, late of Invercargill, aforesaid, deceased, have made application to the District Land Registrar of the District of Southland to be registered as Proprietors in fee-simple of Section six (6), Block one (I); Section eighteen (18), Block seventy-two (LXXII.), Town of Invercargill; and part of Section twenty-eight (28), Block one (I), Invercargill Hundred, known as Allotment twenty-three (23), Harewood; and that the said Henry Wilson and Thomas Perkins will be so registered as such proprietors unless caveat be lodged at this office forbidding the same within one calendar month from the date of publication of this notice.

Dated this 7th day of March, 1878, at the Lands Registry Office, Invercargill.

C. M. HENNING,  
 District Land Registrar.

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NOTICE is hereby given that the Partnership formerly subsisting between the undersigned, at Mohaka, in the Provincial District of Hawke's Bay, as Sheepfarmers, under the firm of "F. and G. Bee," was dissolved as from the tenth day of February, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-seven.

Dated this twenty-eighth day of February, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-eight.

FRANCIS BEE.  
 GEORGE BEE.

Witness to signatures of Francis Bee and George Bee—A. J. Cotterill, Solicitor, Napier. 158

NOTICE is hereby given that the Partnership heretofore subsisting between the undersigned, at Mohaka, in the Provincial District of Hawke's Bay, as Sheepfarmers, under the firm of "Bee and Ross," has this day been dissolved by mutual consent.

Dated this first day of March, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-eight.

GEORGE BEE.  
 DAVID MELVILLE ROSS.

Witness to signatures of George Bee and David Melville Ross—A. J. Cotterill, Solicitor, Napier. 157

NOTICE is hereby given that the Partnership heretofore subsisting between the undersigned, SIDNEY GRIFFITHS BRANDON and GEORGE BRUCE, as Sheepfarmers at Waikari, in the Provincial District of Hawke's Bay, under the firm of "Bruce and Co.," has been dissolved by mutual consent.

All claims against the said firm must be sent in to the said Sidney Griffiths Brandon without delay.

Dated this 1st day of March, 1878.

GEORGE BRUCE.  
 S. G. BRANDON.

Witness to signatures of Sidney Griffiths Brandon and George Bruce—A. J. Cotterill, Solicitor, Napier. 156

PALMERSTON AND WAIKOUAITI TIMES PRINTING COMPANY (LIMITED), IN LIQUIDATION.

At a Special General Meeting of the Shareholders of the above Company, held at the Town Hall, Palmerston, on Tuesday, the 26th day of February, 1878, the Liquidator's Accounts were considered and approved of, and the following resolution passed:—  
 "That this meeting is of opinion that the affairs of the Palmerston and Waikouaiti Times Printing Company (Limited) have been fairly wound up."

JOHN MCKENZIE,  
 Liquidator.

Palmerston, 27th February, 1878. 163

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

I, HUGH MARRINER, Bachelor of Medicine, and Master of Surgery, of Edinburgh University, now residing in Christchurch, do hereby give notice that it is my intention to apply, on the 7th of April, 1878, to the Registrar for Canterbury Province (with whom is deposited the evidence of my qualification) to be registered under the Medical Practitioners Act.

HUGH MARRINER.  
 Christchurch, 9th March, 1878. 164

NOTICE UNDER "THE PUBLIC WORKS ACT, 1876."

NOTICE is hereby given that the Blueskin Road Board intend to take a road one hundred links wide from the Purakanui Main District Road to the Railway Line, near the north mouth of the Deborah Bay Tunnel, on the Dunedin and Moeraki Railway.

The proposed road will leave the Main District Road at a point on Section 24, and connect with the Railway Line in Section 19, passing through Sections 24, 47, 23, and 19, Block IV., North Harbour and Blueskin Survey District.

A plan of the road proposed to be taken through the above-mentioned sections can be seen at the residence of the undersigned, at Purakanui, up to the 8th day of April next; and all persons affected thereby are requested to set forth in writing any well-grounded objections to the taking of such lands or the making of such road, and to send such writing within forty days from the date hereof to the office of the Blueskin Road Board.

JOSEPH MAWSON,  
 Clerk to Board.

27th February, 1878. 165

THE LAND INVESTMENT COMPANY OF WELLINGTON (LIMITED).

At a General Meeting of the Shareholders of the above Company, held on Tuesday, the 5th March, 1878, the following special resolution was carried:—

"That the Land Investment Company of Wellington (Limited) be wound up voluntarily."

E. W. MILLS,  
 Chairman.

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TO THE WARDEN AT ARROWTOWN, ALSO TO THE MINING REGISTRAR AT ARROWTOWN OF THE OTAGO GOLD FIELDS MINING DISTRICT, AND TO ALL OTHER PERSONS WHOM IT MAY CONCERN.

District of Otago Gold Fields,  
 Arrowtown, 28th February, 1878.

I HEREBY give notice that I intend to construct a Water-race and divert water for mining purposes, commencing at a point fourteen chains above the Homeward Bound Company's new machine site at Twelve-Mile Creek, and terminating at the said machine site.

The length of such race is fourteen chains or thereabouts, and its intended course is north and south.

The mean depth and breadth of such race is eighteen inches by eighteen inches, and it is purposed to divert four Government sluice heads of water. The time estimated for the completion of such race is one week.

Name (in full).	Number of Miner's Right.	Date of Miner's Right.	Residence.
Henry Jno. Cope, as Manager of the Homeward Bound Gold Mining Company (Limited)	29154	15 Feb., 1878.	Macetown.

Miner's right examined.—JAMES FLEMING.

Hearing at Arrow, 1st April, 1878.

Any person objecting to the issue of a license to the above-named applicants must lodge his objection in writing at my office within fourteen (14) clear days from the date hereof.

JAMES FLEMING,  
Mining Registrar.  
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TO THE WARDEN AT QUEENSTOWN, ALSO TO THE MINING REGISTRAR AT QUEENSTOWN OF THE OTAGO GOLD FIELDS MINING DISTRICT, AND TO ALL OTHER PERSONS WHOM IT MAY CONCERN.

District of Otago Gold Fields,  
Queenstown, 20th February, 1878.

WE hereby give notice that we intend to construct a Water-race and divert water for mining purposes, commencing at a point about one mile and a half up Pleasant Creek, thence down south side of said creek, thence across Pleasant Creek Terrace, and terminating at our claim on the south side of Pleasant Creek Terrace.

The length of such race is two and a quarter miles or thereabouts, and its intended course is east and west down the creek, and north and south across the terrace.

The mean depth and breadth of such race is eighteen inches by two feet six inches, and it is proposed to divert ten Government heads of water.

The time estimated for the completion of such race is three days.

A reservoir in connection therewith is constructed in Pleasant Creek Terrace, near our claim.

Name.	Number of Miner's Right.	Date of Miner's Right.	Residence.
Thomas Grace	27143	19 July, 1877.	Pleasant Creek.
Robert Johnson	27144	19 July, 1877.	Pleasant Creek.

Any person objecting to the granting of this application must lodge his objections in writing at the Warden's office at Queenstown within fourteen (14) clear days from the date hereof.

Hearing at Queenstown, on the 14th day of March, 1878. 161

NOTICE is hereby given that an Extraordinary General Meeting of the Tookey Tribute Company (Limited) will be held at Mr. Tothill's office, Shortland Street, Auckland, on Monday, the twenty-fifth day of March, instant, at 2 o'clock p.m., for the purpose of passing, if approved, the following resolution: "That the Tookey Tribute Company (Limited) be wound up voluntarily;" and of appointing a Liquidator or Liquidators. And also that an Extraordinary General Meeting of the same Company will be held at the same hour and place, on Friday, the twenty-sixth day of April next, for the purpose of confirming the above resolution.

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WHITAKER AND RUSSELL.

I, the undersigned, hereby make application to register the Macetown Quartz Crushing Company as a Limited Company, under the provisions of "The Mining Company's Act, 1872."

- The name of the Company is to be the Macetown Quartz Crushing Company (Limited).
- The place of operations is at Macetown, in Lake County.
- The registered office of the Company will be situated at Buckingham Street, Arrowtown.
- The nominal capital of the Company is two thousand five hundred pounds, in five hundred shares of five pounds each.
- The number of shares subscribed for is four hundred and sixty-three, being not less than two-thirds of the entire number in the Company.
- The number of paid-up shares is one hundred.
- The amount already paid up is one hundred and eighty-one pounds ten shillings.
- The name of the Manager is John Orson McArdell.
- The names, addresses, and occupations of the shareholders, and the number of shares held by each at this date, are as follow:—

Name	No. of Shares.
William Tilly Smith, Merchant, Arrowtown ...	30
William Paterson, Sheepfarmer, Hayes Creek, Arrowtown ...	30
Archibald Haddow Douglass, Sheepfarmer, Arrow ...	30
James Douglass, M.D., Frankton ...	10
Luke H. Preston, Agent, Arrowtown ...	30
John Orson McArdell, Auctioneer, Queenstown ...	30
Albert Eichardt, Hotelkeeper, Queenstown ...	10
Robert Ross, Livery Stable Proprietor, Queenstown ...	10
George M. Ross, Bank Agent, Queenstown ...	10
John Ambrose Hodge, Bunholder, Queenstown ...	5
Thomas Hicks, Timber Merchant, Queenstown ...	8
Michael John Malaghan, Merchant, Queenstown ...	5
Franz William Frederick Geison, Agent, Queenstown ...	5
Wesley Turton, Solicitor, Queenstown ...	10
John Jopp, Carrier, Arrowtown ...	10
William Welsh, Hotelkeeper, Arrowtown ...	10
Robert Gilmour, Miller, Hayes Creek, Arrowtown ...	10
Robert Watson, Miner, Arrow ...	10
Richard D. Owens, Hotelkeeper, Kawarau ...	10
William Scoles, Hotelkeeper, Arrowtown ...	10
Ebeneza Sandford, Editor, Arrowtown ...	5
Patrick Kerin, Farmer, Arrow ...	5
James Whelan, Farmer, Arrow Junction ...	5
Thomas McIntyre, Farmer, Arrow ...	5
Henry Wilkinson, Hotelkeeper, Arrowtown ...	10
George Arnold Barker, Agent, Arrowtown ...	5
David Jolly, Farmer, Arrow Junction ...	5
William Phillips, Labourer, Arrow ...	5
John F. Smith, Carrier, Dunedin ...	5
George W. Smith, Carrier, Dunedin ...	5
William B. Kingswell, Merchant, Invercargill ...	10
Henry Albert Rout, Bankers' Clerk, Queenstown ...	5
Donald Murray Mackay, Bank Agent, Arrowtown ...	5
Andrew Cunningham Thompson, Runholder, Arrow ...	10
William Moses Forsythe, Merchant, Dunedin ...	10
Seoular, William and John, Merchants, Dunedin ...	25
Robert Wilson, Merchant, Dunedin ...	25
Arthur F. Seward, Commercial Traveller ...	5
William L. Davis, Brewer, Queenstown ...	5
James Clos, Baker, Macetown ...	5
Alexander Boyne, Ironmonger, Queenstown ...	5
Thomas Dickson, Butcher, Arrow ...	5
Robert Glendining, Merchant, Dunedin ...	10
John Orson McArdell (in trust for the Company), Auctioneer, Queenstown ...	37

Dated this 4th day of March, 1878.

JOHN O. McARDELL,  
Manager.

Witness to signature—William Warren, J.P.

I, John Orson McArdell, do solemnly and sincerely declare that—

1. I am the Manager of the said intended Company.

2. The above statement is, to the best of my belief and knowledge, true in every particular; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of an Act of the General Assembly of New Zealand intituled "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1866."

JOHN O. McARDELL.

Taken before me this 4th day of March, 1878, at Queenstown, in the Provincial District of Otago—William Warren, a Justice of the Peace in and for the Colony of New Zealand. 169