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Land available for Selection by the Midland Railway Company set apart for Mining Purposes.

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

WHEREAS in the contract bearing date the third day of August, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-eight, made between Her Majesty the Queen and the New Zealand Midland Railway Company (Limited), it is, among other things, provided that, subject to the conditions therein contained, all lands within the limits of the authorised area defined in the said contract shall be available for selection by the company, with certain exceptions: And whereas among such exceptions are included all lands which from time to time, in the opinion of the Governor, are or may be required for *bonâ fide* mining purposes and the several purposes connected therewith or incidental or conducive thereto, and which lands shall from time to time be set apart and defined by Proclamation to be issued in that behalf; but no more than ten thousand acres shall be so set apart or proclaimed in one block at any one time, and the lands so set apart and proclaimed from time to time shall not, in the aggregate, exceed seven hundred and fifty thousand acres: And whereas, in the opinion of the Governor, the lands described in the Schedule hereto are required for *bonâ fide* mining purposes and the several purposes connected therewith, and the said lands are comprised in one block, containing ten thousand acres: And whereas it is expedient the said land should be set apart and defined by this Proclamation:

Now, therefore, I, William Hillier, Earl of Onslow, the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, in pursuance and exercise of all powers and authorities enabling me in this behalf under the hereinbefore-mentioned contract or otherwise, do hereby proclaim and declare that the block of land defined and described in the Schedule hereto is set apart under the provisions of the said contract for *bonâ fide* mining purposes and the several purposes connected therewith.

SCHEDULE.

BLOCK XII., 2,000 acres, more or less, comprising the Cedar Creek Gold-diggings. Bounded towards the east by the Totara River; towards the north by a line bearing 111° 10' through Trig. Station HB, 200 chains; towards the west by a line bearing 201° 10', 100 chains; and towards the south by a line parallel with the northern boundary to the Totara River aforesaid: exclusive of sold lands and reserves.

Given under the hand of His Excellency the Right Honourable William Hillier, Earl of Onslow, of Onslow in the County of Salop; Viscount Cranley,

of Cranley in the County of Surrey; Baron Onslow, of Onslow in the County of Salop, and of West Clandon in the County of Surrey; Baron Cranley, of Imbercourt; Baronet; 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 Christchurch, this tenth day of November, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety-one.

W. P. REEVES,
For the Minister of Mines.

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN!

Lands withdrawn from State Forests.

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

WHEREAS the lands specified in the first column of the Schedule hereto are portions of a State forest and forest reserve, under the control of the Commissioner of State Forests appointed under "The New Zealand State Forests Act, 1885" (hereinafter termed "the said Act"), and the said lands are now no longer required for State-forest purposes: And whereas plans showing the extent and position of the said lands, and a statement of the reasons why they are no longer required for State-forest purposes, have been laid before both Houses of Parliament for a period of thirty days, and no resolution has been passed by either of such Houses objecting to the issue of this Proclamation:

Now, therefore, His Excellency the Right Honourable William Hillier, Earl of Onslow, Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, in exercise and pursuance of the powers conferred by "The New Zealand State Forests Act Amendment Act, 1888," and of all other powers in anywise enabling him in this behalf, and acting by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of the said colony, doth hereby revoke the warrants and instruments specified in the second column of the Schedule hereto, in so far as they relate to the lands specified in the first column of the Schedule hereto, as from the date of the publication hereof in the *New Zealand Gazette*; and doth hereby proclaim and declare that from and after such date the several parcels of land described in the first column of the Schedule hereto shall be no longer subject to the provisions of the said Act.

SCHEDULE.

FIRST COLUMN.	SECOND COLUMN.
<p>All that area in the Land District of Wellington, containing 4,000 acres, more or less, bounded towards the north-west by Section 271, Block IV., Arawaru District, Sections 270, 304, and 302, Block XVI., Kairanga District, and Section 363, Block V., Gorge District; towards the north-east by a right line at right angles to the north-western boundary-line, distant 130 chains north-east of Trig. Station Ramiha; towards the south-east by Sections 81, 80, 79, 78, 77, 1, and 2, Block VI., Mangahao District; and towards the south-west by a right line distant 120 chains south-west of Trig. Station Ramiha.</p> <p>All that area in the Land District of Wellington, containing 4,600 acres, more or less, bounded towards the north-east generally by the Manawatu River; towards the south-east by Sections 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, and 100, Block III., Mangahao District; and towards the north-west by a right line from the north-western corner of said Section 100 to the Manawatu River.</p>	<p>A warrant bearing date the 29th September, 1881, published in the <i>New Zealand Gazette</i> of the 29th September, 1881, page 1217; and a warrant bearing date the 3rd November, 1881, published in the <i>New Zealand Gazette</i> of the 10th November, 1881, page 1482.</p>

Given under the hand of His Excellency the Right Honourable William Hillier, Earl of Onslow, of Onslow in the County of Salop; Viscount Cranley, of Cranley in the County of Surrey; Baron Onslow, of Onslow in the County of Salop, and of West Clandon in the County of Surrey; Baron Cranley, of Imbercourt; Baronet; 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 Christchurch, this thirteenth day of November, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety-one.

JOHN MCKENZIE,
Minister of Lands.

Approved in Council.

ALEX. WILLIS,
Clerk of the Executive Council.

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN!

Land declared open for Sale in Southland Land District.

(L.S.) ONSLOW, Governor.

A PROCLAMATION.

WHEREAS by the ninety-seventh section of "The Land Act, 1885," 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 land so proclaimed may hereafter 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, William Hillier, Earl of Onslow, the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, do hereby declare that the land specified in the Schedule hereto shall be open for sale on such day as may be fixed by the Land Board of the Land District of Southland.

SCHEDULE.

LONGWOOD DISTRICT.

ALL that piece or parcel of land in the Southland Land District, containing 3 roods and 27 perches, more or less, being Section No. 84, Block II., Longwood Survey District. Bounded towards the south by Section No. 52 of Block II. aforesaid, 250 links; towards the east by said Section No. 52, 400 links; towards the west by Frome Street, 158 links; towards the south-west by Denbigh Street, 395.5 links; towards the north-west by a public road, 474.7 links; towards the north by Crown lands, 250.3 links; and again towards the east by Crown lands, 84.3 links.

Given under the hand of His Excellency the Right Honourable William Hillier, Earl of Onslow, of

Onslow in the County of Salop; Viscount Cranley, of Cranley in the County of Surrey; Baron Onslow, of Onslow in the County of Salop, and of West Clandon in the County of Surrey; Baron Cranley, of Imbercourt; Baronet; 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 Christchurch, this sixteenth day of November, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety-one.

JOHN MCKENZIE,
Minister of Lands.

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN!

Land taken for a Road in Opaheke Road District.

(L.S.)

ONSLow, Governor.

A PROCLAMATION.

WHEREAS the land mentioned in the Schedule hereto is required to be taken, under "The Public Works Act, 1882," and its amendments, for a certain work, to wit, the construction of roads in Opaheke Road District:

And whereas the Opaheke Road Board has laid before the Governor the memorial, accompanied by a map, and also the statutory declaration, required by the said Act and the amendments thereof:

Now, therefore, I, William Hillier, Earl of Onslow, the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, in exercise and pursuance of the powers and authorities in me vested by "The Public Works Act, 1882," and of every other power and authority in anywise enabling me in that behalf, do hereby proclaim and declare that, from and after the date of the publication hereof in the *New Zealand Gazette*, the land mentioned in the Schedule hereto is hereby taken for the purposes of the construction of the said road.

SCHEDULE.

THE parcel of land mentioned in list hereunder:—

Approximate Area of the Parcel of Land required to be taken.	Being Portion of Section No.	Situated in Block No.	Situated in the Parish of	Situated in the Survey District of
A. R. P. 1 1 12	121	VI.	Opaheke	Opaheke.

In the Provincial District of Auckland; as the same is more particularly delineated on the plan marked S.G. 14796, deposited in the Head Office, Department of Lands and Survey, at Wellington, in the Provincial District of Wellington, and thereon coloured red.

Given under the hand of His Excellency the Right Honourable William Hillier, Earl of Onslow, of Onslow in the County of Salop; Viscount Cranley, of Cranley in the County of Surrey; Baron Onslow, of Onslow in the County of Salop, and of West Clandon in the County of Surrey; Baron Cranley, of Imbercourt; Baronet; 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 Christchurch, this sixteenth day of November, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety-one.

JOHN MCKENZIE,
Minister of Lands.

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN!

Land taken for a Road in Cook County.

(L.S.)

ONSLow, Governor.

A PROCLAMATION.

WHEREAS the land mentioned in the Schedule hereto is required to be taken, under "The Public Works Act, 1882," and its amendments, for a certain work, to wit, the construction of a road in Cook County:

And whereas the Cook County Council has laid before the Governor the memorial, accompanied by maps, and also the statutory declaration, required by the said Act and the amendments thereof:

Now, therefore, I, William Hillier, Earl of Onslow, the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, in exercise and

pursuance of the powers and authorities in me vested by "The Public Works Act, 1882," and of every other power and authority in anywise enabling me in that behalf, do hereby proclaim and declare that, from and after the date of the publication hereof in the *New Zealand Gazette*, the land mentioned in the Schedule hereto is hereby taken for the purpose of the construction of the said road.

SCHEDULE.

THE parcel of land mentioned hereunder :—

Approximate Area of Land required to be taken.	Being Portion of Section No.	Situated in Block No.	Situated in the Survey District of
A. R. P. 1 2 32	1	XI.	Waimata.

In the Hawke's Bay Land District; as the same is more particularly delineated on the plan marked S.G. 15179, deposited in the Head Office, Department of Lands and Survey, at Wellington, in the Provincial District of Wellington, and thereon coloured pink.

Given under the hand of His Excellency the Right Honourable William Hillier, Earl of Onslow, of Onslow in the County of Salop; Viscount Cranley, of Cranley in the County of Surrey; Baron Onslow, of Onslow in the County of Salop, and of West Clandon in the County of Surrey; Baron Cranley, of Imbercourt; Baronet; Knight Grand Cross of the Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George; Governor and Commander-in-Chief in and over Her Majesty's Colony of New Zealand and its Dependencies, and Vice-Admiral of the same; and issued under the Seal of the said Colony, at the Government House, at Wellington, this sixteenth day of November, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety-one.

JOHN MCKENZIE,
Minister of Lands.

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN!

Land taken for a Road in Cook County.

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

WHEREAS the land mentioned in the Schedule hereto is required to be taken, under "The Public Works Act, 1882," and its amendments, for a certain work, to wit the construction of a road in Cook County:

And whereas the Cook County Council has laid before the Governor the memorial, accompanied by a map, and also the statutory declaration, required by the said Act and the amendments thereof:

Now, therefore, I, William Hillier, Earl of Onslow, the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, in exercise and pursuance of the powers and authorities in me vested by "The Public Works Act, 1882," and of every other power and authority in anywise enabling me in that behalf, do hereby proclaim and declare that, from and after the date of the publication hereof in the *New Zealand Gazette*, the land mentioned in the Schedule hereto is hereby taken for the purposes of the construction of the said road.

SCHEDULE.

THE parcel of land mentioned hereunder :—

Approximate Area of the Parcel of Land required to be taken.	Situated in	Situated in Blocks Nos.	Situated in the Survey District of
A. R. P. 1 2 29	Subdivision H ¹ , Ruangarehu Block	V. and IX.	Waimata.

In the Hawke's Bay Land District; as the same is more particularly delineated on the plan marked S.G. 13632, deposited in the Head Office, Department of Lands and Survey, at Wellington, in the Provincial District of Wellington, and thereon coloured red.

Given under the hand of His Excellency the Right Honourable William Hillier, Earl of Onslow, of Onslow in the County of Salop; Viscount Cranley, of Cranley in the County of Surrey; Baron Onslow, of Onslow in the County of Salop, and of West Clandon in the County of Surrey; Baron Cranley, of Imbercourt; Baronet; 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 Christchurch, this sixteenth day of November, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety-one.

JOHN MCKENZIE,
Minister of Lands.

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN!

Proclaiming the Taking and Laying-off of Roads over Land in the Auckland Land District.

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

IN pursuance and in exercise of all powers and authorities enabling me in this behalf, I, William Hillier, Earl of Onslow, the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, do hereby proclaim that the roads described in the Schedule hereto have been duly taken and laid off through the land specified, under warrants of the dates given, in the said Schedule.

SCHEDULE.

ALL that parcel of land in the Auckland Land District, containing by admeasurement 4 acres 3 roods 11 perches, more or less, situate in the Purua Survey District, being a road, 100 links wide and upwards, traversing a portion of the Tumahia Block (No. 856), the western side of which commences at a point on the Hakono Stream at the south-easternmost corner of the Tumahia Block; and proceeds northerly generally for a distance of 4795 links or thereabouts to its junction with the road, hereinafter described, through the Tumahia Block.

Also all that parcel of land in the Auckland Land District, containing by admeasurement 3 acres 2 roods 28 perches, more or less, situate in the Purua Survey District, being a road, 100 links wide, traversing a portion of the Tumahia Block (No. 856), the western side of which commences at a point on the north-western boundary of the Waipiu Block at a distance of 2344 links or thereabouts from its northernmost angle; and proceeds north-westerly generally for a distance of 3596 links or thereabouts to its junction with another road.

All that parcel of land in the Auckland Land District, containing by admeasurement 3 acres and 31 perches, more or less, situate in the Purua Survey District, being a road, 100 links wide, traversing the Waipiu Block (No. 5572), the southern side of which commences at a point on the north-western boundary of the aforesaid block at a distance of 2344 links or thereabouts from its northernmost angle; and proceeds south-easterly generally for a distance of 3096 links or thereabouts to the eastern boundary of the aforesaid block at a point distant 300 links or thereabouts from its south-eastern angle.

All that parcel of land in the Auckland Land District, containing by admeasurement 3 acres 1 rood 8 perches, more or less, situate in the Purua Survey District, being a road, 100 links wide and upwards, traversing the Ngararatunua Block (No. 3934), the western side of which commences at a point on the northern side of the road on the southern boundary of the said block at a distance of 1300 links or thereabouts from its south-westernmost angle; and proceeds northerly and easterly generally for a total distance of 3601 links or thereabouts to the Hakono Stream at the north-eastern angle of the aforesaid block.

All that parcel of land in the Auckland Land District, containing by admeasurement 2 acres 1 rood 23 perches, more or less, situate in the Purua Survey District, being a road, 100 links wide, traversing the Ngawhakatikitu Block (No. 4335), the southern side of which commences at a point on the western boundary of the aforesaid block at a distance of 300 links or thereabouts from the Hakono Stream; and proceeds easterly generally for a distance of 2394 links or thereabouts to the western boundary of the Parakiore No. 1 Block (No. 5158) at a distance of 996 3 links from the south-western angle of that block.

All that parcel of land in the Auckland Land District, containing by admeasurement 2 acres 1 rood 26 perches, more or less, situate in the Purua Survey District, being a road, 100 links wide, lying along and within the southern and part of the western boundary of the Parakiore No. 1 Block (No. 5158), the southern side of which commences at the south-eastern angle of the aforesaid block; and proceeds westerly and north-westerly for a total distance of 2417 links to the continuation of the road, hereinbefore described, through the Ngawhakatikitu Block.

All that parcel of land in the Auckland Land District, containing by admeasurement 1 acre 2 roods 36 perches, more or less, situate in the Purua Survey District, being

a road, 100 links wide, traversing the southern portion of the Maungarei Block (No. 5234), the southern side of which commences at the road, hereinbefore described, through the Parakiore No. 1 Block (No. 5158); and proceeds easterly generally for a distance of 1727 links or thereabouts to the south-eastern corner of the said Maungarei Block.

As the same are delineated on Map No. 6288, deposited in the District Lands and Survey Office, Auckland.

Dates of Governor's warrants, 15th September, 1881, and 12th and 30th May, 1884.

Given under the hand of His Excellency the Right Honourable William Hillier, Earl of Onslow, of Onslow in the County of Salop; Viscount Cranley, of Cranley in the County of Surrey; Baron Onslow, of Onslow in the County of Salop, and of West Clandon in the County of Surrey; Baron Cranley, of Imbercourt; Baronet; 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 Christchurch, this sixteenth day of November, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety-one.

JOHN MCKENZIE,
Minister of Lands.

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN!

Revoking Order in Council setting apart Land for the Kaihu Valley Railway Company.

ONSLow, Governor.
ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government Buildings, at Wellington, this thirteenth day of November, 1891.

Present:

THE HONOURABLE THE PREMIER PRESIDING IN COUNCIL.

IN pursuance of every power and authority conferred upon him, His Excellency the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council thereof, doth hereby revoke so much of the Order in Council issued on the fifth day of December, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-two, under the ninety-fifth section of "The Railways Construction and Land Act, 1881," as relates to the blocks of land described in the Schedule hereto, which, with other land, were withdrawn from sale for the purposes of the Kaihu Valley Railway Company, as therein mentioned.

SCHEDULE.

Survey District.	Block.	Area.
		A.
Waipoua	VII.	45
"	VIII.	3,808
"	IX.	64
"	X.	3,923
"	XI.	3,488
"	XIII.	1,940
Tutamoe	V.	2,330
"	IX.	922
"	X.	480
"	XIII.	150
"	XIV.	2,790
"	XV.	595
Kai-iwi	I.	678
Kaihu	II.	108
"	III.	2,760
		24,081

ALEX. WILLIS,
Clerk of the Executive Council.

Vesting a Reserve in the Panmure Road Board.

ONSLow, Governor.
ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government Buildings, at Wellington, this thirteenth day of November, 1891.

Present:

THE HONOURABLE THE PREMIER PRESIDING IN COUNCIL.

WHEREAS the land mentioned in the Schedule hereto was reserved for a landing-place:

And whereas, in the opinion of the Governor, it is expedient to vest the said land in the Road Board of the Panmure District:

Now, therefore, His Excellency the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of the said colony, and in exercise of the powers and authorities vested in him by the fourth section of "The Public Reserves Act, 1881," doth hereby declare that, from and after the day of the date hereof, the said reserve mentioned in the Schedule hereto shall become vested in the Road Board of the Panmure District, in trust, for a landing-place.

SCHEDULE.

ALL that parcel of land in the Land District of Auckland, being Allotments Nos. 24 and 25 of Section No. 3, Village of Panmure, containing by admeasurement 1 acre 1 rood 4 perches, more or less. Bounded towards the east generally by the Tamaki River; towards the south by a public road, 85 links; towards the west by Allotment No. 23 of Section No. 3, Village of Panmure, 290 links; again towards the south by the same allotment, 80 links; and towards the north-west by Section No. 42, Parish of Waitemata, 575 links, to the point of commencement.

ALEX. WILLIS,
Clerk of the Executive Council.

Exchange of Land in Canterbury.

ONSLow, Governor.
ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government Buildings, at Wellington, this thirteenth day of November, 1891.

Present:

THE HONOURABLE THE PREMIER PRESIDING IN COUNCIL.

WHEREAS the land mentioned in the first column of the Schedule hereto was reserved for a gravel-pit: And whereas, in the opinion of the Governor, it is expedient to exchange the said land for that mentioned in the second column of the Schedule hereto:

Now, therefore, His Excellency the Earl of Onslow, the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of the said colony, and in exercise of the powers and authorities vested in him by the fourth section of "The Public Reserves Act, 1881," and the third section of "The Public Reserves Act Amendment Act, 1889," doth hereby declare that, from and after the day of the date hereof, the said reserve mentioned in the first column of the Schedule hereto shall be exchanged for the land mentioned in the second column of the Schedule hereto.

SCHEDULE.

Description and Purpose of Land intended to be exchanged.	Description of Land to be obtained in exchange therefor.
All that parcel of land in the Canterbury Land District, containing by admeasurement 5 acres more or less, being Section No. 2517 (in red), Shepherd's Bush Survey District. Bounded north-westward by a line parallel to and 87 chains distant from the south-eastern boundary of Section No. 32749, 1000 links; south-westward by the road forming the south-western boundary of that section, 500 links; and north-eastward and south-eastward by lines parallel to the north-western and south-western boundaries: as the same is delineated on the plan deposited in the office of the Chief Surveyor, Christchurch.	All that parcel of land in the Canterbury Land District, containing by admeasurement 5 acres, more or less, being part of Rural Section No. 36283, Block XIV., Shepherd's Bush Survey District. Bounded on the northward by Section No. 36281, 1031.7 links; on the eastward by Section No. 36283, 373.1 links; on the southward by Section No. 36283, 1000 links; and on the westward by a road-line forming the south-western boundary of Section No. 36281, 626.9 links: as the same is delineated on the plan deposited in the office of the Chief Surveyor, Christchurch.

ALEX. WILLIS,
Clerk of the Executive Council.

Exchange of Land in Canterbury.

ONSLow, Governor.
ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government Buildings, at Wellington, this thirteenth day of November, 1891.

Present:

THE HONOURABLE THE PREMIER PRESIDING IN COUNCIL.

WHEREAS the land mentioned in the first column of the Schedule hereto was reserved for a gravel-pit: And whereas, in the opinion of the Governor, it is expedient to exchange the said land for that mentioned in the second column of the Schedule hereto:

Now, therefore, His Excellency the Earl of Onslow, the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of the said colony, and in exercise of the powers and authorities vested in him by the fourth section of "The Public Reserves Act, 1881," and the third section of "The Public Reserves Act Amendment Act, 1889," doth hereby declare that, from and after the day of the date hereof, the said reserve mentioned in the first column of the Schedule hereto shall be exchanged for the land mentioned in the second column of the Schedule hereto.

SCHEDULE.

Description and Purpose of Reserve intended to be exchanged.	Description of Land to be obtained in exchange therefor.
All that parcel of land situate in Block XV., Spaxton Survey District, being Reserve No. 1009, containing 5 acres more or less, having 5 chains frontage to the road forming the south-east boundary of Section No. 19533, and extending northwards therefrom in a rectangular block a distance of 10 chains, the south-west corner being 77 links distant east of the south-west corner of Section No. 19533.	All that parcel of land being part of Section No. 19533, situate in Block XV., Spaxton Survey District, containing 5 acres, more or less, being a rectangular block, commencing at the south-east corner of Section No. 19533, and extending along the north-eastern boundary of same a distance of 10 chains, the south-western boundary being 5 chains distant from and parallel to the north-eastern boundary.

ALEX. WILLIS,
Clerk of the Executive Council.

Registrars' Districts under "The Native Land Court Act, 1886," redefined.

ONSLow, Governor.

At the Government House, at Christchurch, this thirty-first day of October, 1891.

Present:

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR IN COUNCIL.

WHEREAS by "The Native Land Court Act, 1886," it is, among other things, enacted that it shall be lawful for the Governor in Council, for the purposes of the said Act, from time to time to divide the colony into Registrars' districts, and to annul, alter, or vary such divisions; and that, until the powers of division by the said Act authorised are exercised, Registrars' districts as now existing under "The Native Lands Acts Amendment Act, 1882," shall be Registrars' districts under "The Native Land Court Act, 1886:" And whereas it is expedient to annul the said divisions now existing, and to make other divisions in lieu thereof:

Now, therefore, His Excellency the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, in pursuance and exercise of the power and authority contained in "The Native Land Court Act, 1886," in that behalf, and by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of the said colony, doth hereby annul the said divisions now existing, and in lieu thereof doth divide the said colony into Registrars' districts for the purposes of "The Native Land Court Act, 1886;" and doth order that the name and boundaries of each such district shall be such as are respectively mentioned and set forth in the first and second columns of the Schedule hereto; and further doth appoint the several places mentioned in the third column of the said Schedule to be respectively the place in each district at which the records, maps, and documents relating to land within each district shall be deposited, and the official or administrative work of each district carried on; and further doth order that this Order in Council shall take effect on the first day of December next.

SCHEDULE.

Name of District.	Boundaries.	Place within District at which Records, &c. are to be deposited.
Auckland	All that area bounded towards the west and north generally by the sea; towards the east generally by a right line from Lottin Point to the 39th parallel of latitude at its intersection by the Napier and Taupo Road; thence by the 39th parallel of latitude to its intersection by the 176° 30' meridian of longitude; thence by a right line to Trig. Station on Te Iringa; thence towards the south by a right line to the summit of Ruapehu; again towards the west by a right line to Kakaramea Trig. Station; and again towards the south generally by a right line to a point on the boundary between the Provincial Districts of Auckland and Taranaki due east of White Bluff; and thence by a right line to White Bluff: including all the adjacent islands	The Office of the Native Land Court in the City of Auckland.
Gisborne	All that area bounded towards the north and east generally by the sea from Lottin Point to the Waihua River; towards the south generally by that river and the 39th parallel of latitude to the Napier and Taupo Road; and thence towards the north-west by a right line to Lottin Point aforesaid: including all adjacent islands	The Office of the Native Land Court in the Borough of Gisborne.
Wellington	All that area bounded towards the north generally by a right line due east from White Bluff to the boundary between the Provincial Districts of Auckland and Taranaki; thence by a right line to Kakaramea Trig. Station; thence by a right line to the summit of Ruapehu; thence by a right line to the Trig. Station on Te Iringa; thence by a right line to the 39th parallel of latitude at its intersection by the 176° 30' meridian of longitude; thence by the 39th parallel of latitude to the Waihua River, and by that river to the sea; and towards the east, south, and west generally by the sea. Also all the Middle Island, Stewart Island, Chatham Islands, and all adjacent islands	The Office of the Native Land Court in the City of Wellington.

R. WALROND,
Acting Clerk of the Executive Council.

*Powers delegated to the Huirangi Domain Board under
"The Public Domains Act, 1881."*

ONSLow, Governor.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government Buildings, at Wellington, this thirteenth day of November, 1891.

Present:

THE HONOURABLE THE PREMIER PRESIDING IN COUNCIL.

IN exercise and pursuance of the powers and authorities vested in him by "The Public Domains Act, 1881," His Excellency the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council thereof, doth hereby revoke a certain Order in Council dated the eighteenth day of April, one thousand eight hundred and ninety, making delegation of certain powers in manner as therein appears; and doth, with the like advice and consent, by this present order, delegate, but only with respect to the piece or parcel of land described in the Schedule hereto, all the powers conferred by the Act aforesaid, except the powers under or conferred by sections five and twelve thereof, to the under-mentioned persons, who shall be known as the Huirangi Domain Board, namely,—

GEORGE GIBSON ANDREWS,
ROBERT TURNBULL, and
WILLIAM JAMES GEDDES WELLS

(herein referred to as "the Board"), subject to the stipulations hereinafter contained, that is to say,—

1. The Board shall meet for the transaction of business on the first Monday in each month, at two o'clock p.m., at the Huirangi Schoolhouse, or at such other time or place as may from time to time be fixed by the Board. The first meeting shall be held on Monday, the seventh day of December, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-one.

2. Special meetings may be convened by the Chairman or by any two members of the Board, provided that two days' notice of such meeting be given to each member, specifying the business to be transacted at such special meeting, and no other business than that so specified shall be transacted at such meeting.

3. Any three of the said Board shall form a quorum. Any meeting may be adjourned from time to time.

4. The members of the Board shall, at their first meeting, and thereafter at an annual meeting to be held on the first Monday in January in every succeeding year thereafter, elect one of themselves to be Chairman, who may join in the discussion, and shall have an original as well as a casting vote. The Chairman shall hold office until the election of his successor.

5. If at any meeting the Chairman is not present at the time appointed for holding the same, the members present shall choose some one of their number to be Chairman of such meeting.

6. If, by resignation, death, or incapacity, or otherwise, the office of Chairman shall be or become vacant, the members may at any monthly or special meeting appoint a Chairman.

7. All questions shall be determined by the majority of votes of the members of the Board present at a meeting.

SCHEDULE.

ALL that parcel of land in the Land District of Taranaki, containing by admeasurement 10 acres, more or less, situate

in the Town of Huirangi, being Sections Nos. 138, 139, 140, 141, 142, 152, 153, 154, 155, 156, 166, 167, 168, 169, 170, 171, 172, 173, 174, and 175 on the map of the said town.

ALEX. WILLIS,
Clerk of the Executive Council.

Fixing Sittings of the District Court at Westport.

ONSLow, Governor.

IN pursuance and exercise of the power and authority in this behalf enabling me, I, William Hillier, Earl of Onslow, the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, do hereby fix and appoint that sittings of the District Court of Nelson, for civil and criminal business, shall be held as follows, in addition to those previously fixed and appointed:—

In the Courthouse, Westport: On the 26th November, 1891.

Provided that in case the day so fixed as aforesaid shall happen to be a holiday, then the Court appointed for that day shall be holden on the first day thereafter not being a holiday.

As witness the hand of His Excellency the Governor, this tenth day of November, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-one.

W. P. REEVES.

Trustees for Alford Forest Cemetery appointed.

ONSLow, Governor.

IN pursuance and exercise of the powers and authorities vested in me by the sixth section of "The Cemeteries Act, 1882," I, William Hillier, Earl of Onslow, the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, do hereby appoint the several persons whose names are specified in the first column of the Schedule hereto to be Trustees to provide for the maintenance and care of the public cemetery specified in the second column of the said Schedule.

SCHEDULE.

Names of Trustees.	Name of Public Cemetery, and Description of Land.
Henry Knight. David Symes. Henry Martin. Lars Binber. Edward Binion Cooper.	ALFORD FOREST. All that parcel of land in the Spaxton Survey District, Land District of Canterbury, containing 10 acres, more or less. Bounded westward by the road east of Section No. 29535, 758 links; northward by Section No. 29554, 1320 links; and eastward and southward by lines parallel to the western and northern boundaries: and numbered 2479 (in red) on the official map in the Survey Office, Christchurch.

As witness the hand of His Excellency the Governor, this sixteenth day of November, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-one.

JOHN MCKENZIE,
Minister of Lands.

Regulations under "The Hospitals and Charitable Institutions Act, 1885," for the Election of Members of Boards by Contributory Local Authorities in Grouped Districts.

ONSLow, Governor.

WHEREAS by section six of "The Hospitals and Charitable Institutions Act 1885 Amendment Act, 1886," it is provided that the Governor, by Order in Council, shall, before the month of November next ensuing, and at the same period in every third year thereafter, apportion the representation of the various contributory local authorities in any district on the Board of such district, in the manner therein set forth:

And whereas it is necessary that regulations shall be made for the elections of members of the Boards of such districts by such contributory local authorities as are grouped together in terms of the above-mentioned section:

Now, therefore, His Excellency the Right Honourable William Hillier, Earl of Onslow, the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, in exercise and pursuance of the powers vested in him by section ninety-nine of "The Hospitals and Charitable Institutions Act, 1885," doth hereby make and prescribe the regulations hereinafter set forth for the conduct of the said recited elections, and the proceedings incidental thereto, namely:—

REGULATIONS.

1. The local authorities named in the first column of the Schedule hereto shall have respectively the number of votes set opposite them in the second column of the said Schedule, and their representative or representatives shall meet at the time and place set opposite the names of such local authorities in the third and fourth columns of the said Schedule respectively to elect such member or members as have been apportioned to such local authorities by Order in Council of the twenty-fifth day of October, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-nine.

2. The Presiding Officer to conduct the election in each case shall be the person named in the fifth column of the said Schedule, opposite the name of each local authority. Any local authority may, if it think fit, send only one representative to such election, and such representative shall then be entitled to exercise the full number of votes which such local authority is given by regulation one aforesaid.

3. Any local authority may appoint, by writing under the hand of the Chairman or Mayor, as the case may be, any person or persons residing at or near the place of meeting as aforesaid to be its representative or representatives at such meeting, and such representative or representatives shall be entitled to exercise the full number of votes which such local authority is given by regulation one.

4. In case any contributory local authority shall not send a representative to such election the representative or representatives of the local authority or authorities present at the meeting called for such election shall elect the member or members which such local authorities together are entitled to have, and that either at the meeting then held, or at a subsequent meeting to be specially convened for the purpose by the Presiding Officer of such first-mentioned meeting.

5. The Presiding Officer at every meeting of local authorities as aforesaid shall make a return in writing to the Secretary of the Board to which any member has been elected, setting forth the names of the person or persons elected to serve as members of such Board. The Secretary shall thereupon notify the Inspector of Hospitals of the result of such election or elections for publication in the *Gazette*, and such publication shall be deemed to be *prima facie* evidence that the persons named therein were duly elected in terms of "The Hospitals and Charitable Institutions Act, 1835."

6. In the event of the number of votes on each side at any election being equal, the Presiding Officer shall give a casting vote.

SCHEDULE.

Local Authority.	No. of Votes.	Hour of Meeting on 25th Nov., 1891.	Place of Meeting.	Presiding Officer.
<i>District of North Auckland—</i>				
Mongonui	2	2 p.m.	Mongonui County Council Office, Mongonui	Clerk of Mongonui County Council.
Whangaroa	1	"		
<i>District of Auckland—</i>				
Rodney County Council	1	11 a.m.	Office of Waitemata County Council, Auckland	H. N. Garland.
Waitemata County Council	2	"		
Devonport Borough Council	1	"	Resident Magistrate's Courthouse, Auckland	Clerk of the Court.
Boards of the road districts in Eden County	1 each	1 p.m.		
Boards of the road and town districts in Manukau County	1 each	12 noon	Public Hall, Otahuhu ..	Samuel Luke.
Onehunga Borough Council	4	"	Resident Magistrate's Courthouse, Auckland	Clerk of the Court.
Parnell Borough Council	2	2 p.m.		
Newmarket Borough Council	1	"		
Newton Borough Council	1	"		
<i>District of Palmerston North—</i>				
Manchester Road Board	2	2 p.m.	Manchester Road Board Office, Feilding	Clerk of Manchester Road Board.
Halcombe Town Board	1	"		
Kiwitea Road Board	1	"		
Manawatu Road Board	1	"		
Fitzherbert Road Board	1	"		
Manawatu County Council	2	12 noon	Manawatu County Council Office, Sanson	County Clerk.
Foxton Borough Council	1	"		
<i>District of North Canterbury—</i>				
Kaikoura County Council	1	1 p.m.	Amuri County Council Office, Waiatu	Amuri County Clerk.
Amuri County Council	1	"		
Akaroa County Council	2	3 p.m.	Akaroa County Council Office, Duvauchelle	County Clerk.
Akaroa Borough Council	1	"		
Boards of the road and town districts in Ashley County	1 each	2 p.m.	Mandeville and Rangiora Road Board Office, Rangiora	Clerk of Mandeville and Rangiora Road Board.
Rangiora Borough Council	1	3 p.m.	Provincial Council Chambers, Christchurch	Clerk of the Resident Magistrate's Court.
Kaiapoi Borough Council	1	"		
Lyttelton Borough Council	2	"		
St. Albans Borough Council	2	"		
<i>District of South Canterbury—</i>				
Waimate County Council	3	1 p.m.	Waimate County Council Office, Waimate	County Clerk.
Waimate Borough Council	1	"		
<i>District of Tuapeka—</i>				
Lawrence Borough Council	2	12 noon	Courthouse, Lawrence ..	Clerk of the Court.
Roxburgh Borough Council	1	"		
Tapanui Borough Council	1	"		
<i>District of Central Otago—</i>				
Alexandra Borough Council	1	2 p.m.	Borough Council Chamber, Alexandra	Town Clerk, Alexandra.
Cromwell Borough Council	2	"		
Naseby Borough Council	2	"		
<i>District of Otago—</i>				
Clutha County Council	2	1 p.m.	Clutha County Council Office, Balclutha	County Clerk.
Balclutha Borough Council	1	"		
Bruce County Council	3	7.30 p.m.	Bruce County Council Office, Milton	County Clerk.
Milton Borough Council	1	"		
Kaitangata Borough Council	1	"	Taieri County Council Office, Mosgiel	County Clerk.
Taieri County Council	3	2 p.m.		
Mosgiel Borough Council	1	"	Borough Council Chamber, Maori Hill	Town Clerk, Maori Hill.
Green Island Borough Council	1	"		
Maori Hill Borough Council	1	8 p.m.	Town Hall, Caversham ..	Town Clerk, Caversham.
North-east Valley Borough Council	1	"		
Roslyn Borough Council	1	"	Waihemo County Council Office, Palmerston	Waihemo County Clerk.
Caversham Borough Council	1	7.30 p.m.		
Mornington Borough Council	1	"	Borough Council Chamber, St. Kilda	Town Clerk, St. Kilda.
Waihemo County Council	1	3 p.m.		
Waikouaiti County Council	1	"	Courthouse, Port Chalmers	Clerk of the Court.
Boards of the road districts in Peninsula County	1 each	7 p.m.		
St. Kilda Borough Council	2	"		
South Dunedin Borough Council	4	"		
West Harbour Borough Council	2	2 p.m.		
Port Chalmers Borough Council	2	"		
Palmerston Borough Council	1	"		
Hawkesbury Borough Council	1	"		

SCHEDULE—continued.

Local Authority.	No. of Votes.	Hour of Meeting on 25th Nov., 1891.	Place of Meeting.	Presiding Officer.
<i>District of Southland—</i>				
Lake County Council	3	12 noon	Lake County Council Office, Queenstown	J. Black.
Arrowtown Borough Council	1	"		
Queenstown Borough Council	1	"	Old Men's Home, Invercargill	Thomas Perkins.
Riverton Borough Council	1	11 a.m.		
Winton Borough Council	1	"	Old Men's Home, Invercargill	Thomas Perkins.
Campbelltown Borough Council	1	"		
Gore Borough Council	1	"	Old Men's Home, Invercargill	Thomas Perkins.
Avenal Borough Council	1	12 noon		
East Invercargill Borough Council	2	"	Old Men's Home, Invercargill	Thomas Perkins.
North Invercargill Borough Council	2	"		
South Invercargill Borough Council	3	"		
Gladstone Borough Council	1	"		
<i>United District of Patea and Wanganui—</i>				
Patea County Council	2	2 p.m.	Patea County Council Office, Patea	Edward Charles Horner.
Patea Borough Council	1	"		
<i>United District of Wairarapa and Wellington—</i>				
Horowhenua County Council	1	1 p.m.	Melrose Borough Council Chamber, Willis Street, Wellington	Town Clerk, Melrose.
Melrose Borough Council	1	"		
Petone Borough Council	1	"	Wairarapa N. County Council Office, Masterton	Wairarapa N. County Clerk.
Wairarapa North County Council	2	12.30 p.m.		
Pahiatua County Council	1	"	Borough Council Chamber, Masterton	Town Clerk, Masterton.
Masterton Borough Council	2	1 p.m.		
Carterton Borough Council	1	"	Borough Council Chamber, Masterton	Town Clerk, Masterton.
Greytown Borough Council	1	"		
<i>District of Waipawa and Hawke's Bay—</i>				
Waipawa County Council	3	11 a.m.	Waipawa County Council Office, Waipawa	William Cowper Smith.
Woodville Borough Council	1	"		
<i>United District of Ashburton and North Canterbury—</i>				
Kaikoura County Council	1	1.15 p.m.	Amuri County Council Office, Waiau	Amuri County Clerk.
Amuri County Council	1	"		
Akaroa County Council	2	3.15 p.m.	Akaroa County Council Office, Duvauchelle	County Clerk.
Akaroa Borough Council	1	"		
Boards of the road and town districts in Ashley County	1 each	2.15 p.m.	Mandeville and Rangiora Road Board Office, Rangiora	Clerk of Mandeville and Rangiora Road Board.
Rangiora Borough Council	1	3.15 p.m.	Provincial Council Chambers, Christchurch	Clerk of the Resident Magistrate's Court.
Kaiapoi Borough Council	1	"		
Lyttelton Borough Council	2	"	County Council Office, Ashburton	County Clerk.
St. Albans Borough Council	2	"		
Ashburton County Council	3	2.30 p.m.	County Council Office, Ashburton	County Clerk.
Ashburton Borough Council	1	"		
<i>United District of Central Otago, Tuapeka, and Otago.</i>				
Vincent County Council	3	8 p.m.	Borough Council Chamber, Roxburgh	Town Clerk of Roxburgh.
Alexandra Borough Council	1	"		
Cromwell Borough Council	1	"	County Council Office, Naseby	County Clerk.
Roxburgh Borough Council	1	"		
Tapanui Borough Council	1	"	Courthouse, Lawrence ..	Clerk of the Court.
Maniototo County Council	2	4 p.m.		
Naseby Borough Council	1	"	County Council Office, Naseby	County Clerk.
Tuapeka County Council	2	12.30 p.m.		
Lawrence Borough Council	1	"	County Council Office, Milton	County Clerk.
Bruce County Council	3	7.45 p.m.		
Milton Borough Council	1	"	County Council Office, Balclutha	County Clerk.
Kaitangata Borough Council	1	"		
Clutha County Council	2	1.15 p.m.	County Council Office, Mosgiel	County Clerk.
Balclutha Borough Council	1	"		
Taieri County Council	3	2.15 p.m.	Borough Council Chamber, Maori Hill	Town Clerk, Maori Hill.
Green Island Borough Council	1	"		
Mosgiel Borough Council	1	"	Town Hall, Caversham ..	Town Clerk, Caversham.
Maori Hill Borough Council	1	8.15 p.m.		
North-east Valley Borough Council	1	"	Waihemo County Council Office, Palmerston	Waihemo County Clerk.
Roslyn Borough Council	1	"		
Caversham Borough Council	1	7.45 p.m.	Borough Council Chamber, St. Kilda	Town Clerk, St. Kilda.
Mornington Borough Council	1	"		
Waihemo County Council	1	3.15 p.m.	Courthouse, Port Chalmers	Clerk of the Resident Magistrate's Court, Port Chalmers.
Waikouaiti County Council	1	"		
Boards of the road districts in Peninsula County	1 each	7.15 p.m.	Borough Council Chamber, St. Kilda	Town Clerk, St. Kilda.
St. Kilda Borough Council	2	"		
South Dunedin Borough Council	4	"	Courthouse, Port Chalmers	Clerk of the Resident Magistrate's Court, Port Chalmers.
West Harbour Borough Council	2	2.15 p.m.		
Port Chalmers Borough Council	2	"	Courthouse, Port Chalmers	Clerk of the Resident Magistrate's Court, Port Chalmers.
Palmerston Borough Council	1	"		
Hawkesbury Borough Council	1	"	Courthouse, Port Chalmers	Clerk of the Resident Magistrate's Court, Port Chalmers.

As witness the hand of His Excellency the Governor, this sixteenth day of November, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-one.

W. P. REEVES.

Crown Prosecutor appointed.

Department of Justice,
Wellington, 18th November, 1891.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint

CHARLES EDWARD HARDEN

to be Crown Prosecutor at Westport of the District Court District of Nelson, from the 10th instant.

W. P. REEVES.

Deputy Sheriff appointed.

Department of Justice,
Wellington, 18th November, 1891.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint

RODOLPH BLOFIELD MATHIAS

to be Deputy Sheriff for the District of Canterbury.

W. P. REEVES.

Members of Licensing Committees appointed.

Department of Justice,
Wellington, 18th November, 1891.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint

THOMAS JOHN BAIGENT

to be a Member of the Licensing Committee for the District of Takaka, *vice* Alexander Robertson, deceased; and

WILLIAM GEORGE THOMPSON

to be a Member of the Licensing Committee for the District of Paraekaretu, *vice* W. A. Lloyd, resigned.

W. P. REEVES.

Clerk of District Court appointed.

Department of Justice,
Wellington, 18th November, 1891.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint

ERNEST CHARLES KELLING

to be Clerk at Westport of the District Court District of Nelson, from the 10th instant.

W. P. REEVES.

Receiver of Land Revenue appointed.

Department of Lands and Survey,
Wellington, 18th November, 1891.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint

JOHN HAWTIN WHEELER, Esq.,

to be a Receiver of Land Revenue, to act within the Land District of Nelson.

JOHN MCKENZIE,
Minister of Lands.

Poundkeeper, Rotorua, appointed.

Department of Lands and Survey,
Wellington, 23rd October, 1891.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint

FREDERICK CHARLES CLARKE

to be Poundkeeper of the Public Pound at Rotorua.

A. J. CADMAN,
For the Minister of Lands.

Assessors under "The Land and Income Assessment Act, 1891," appointed.

Land and Income-tax Office,
Wellington, 11th November, 1891.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint the following persons to be Assessors under "The Land and Income Assessment Act, 1891."

J. BALLANCE.

SCHEDULE.

THOMAS ROBINSON TINDALL, Awhitu; Thomas McInnes, Howick; Charles William Mellisop, Mount Roskill; John Lowry, Razorback; Charles Irvin Eller, Auckland; William Robert Franklin, Otaki; James Purkiss, Halcombe; Walter Bock, Featherston; Henry William Potter, Wellington; Walter Knowles, Wellington; Robert Gilbert Baxter, Waimate; James Hassell, Waimate; Andrew Allan, Timaru; Frederick William Marchant, Timaru; Frederick Fuell, Kaitangata.

Trustees for Hawke's Bay Rabbit District elected.—Notice No. 335.

Head Office, Live-stock Department,
Wellington, 17th November, 1891.

NOTICE has been received, under the hand of the Returning Officer, Mr. E. Black, that on the 2nd instant

ALEXANDER MCHARDY,
FRANK SKIPSEY WATERHOUSE,
THOMAS CROSSE,
WALTER SHRIMPTON, and
ALFRED RICHARD LYONS

were duly elected Trustees of the Hawke's Bay Rabbit District, as constituted under "The Rabbit Nuisance Act 1882 Amendment Act, 1886."

JOHN MCKENZIE,
Minister of Lands.

Inspector of Stock appointed.—Notice No. 336.

Head Office, Live-stock Department,
Wellington, 16th November, 1891.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint

ALEXANDER IRONSIDE

to be an Inspector of Stock, under "The Sheep Act, 1890," from the 1st November, 1891, *vice* R. Corbett, resigned.

JOHN MCKENZIE,
Minister of Lands.

Members of Local Examination Board appointed.

Defence Office,
Wellington, 18th November, 1891.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to approve of the appointment of the under-mentioned officers as additional Members of the Local Board for the examination of candidates for commissions in the New Zealand Militia and Volunteer Forces in the East Coast (N.I.) Volunteer District:—

Major STUART NEWALL, New Zealand Militia.

Captain FREDERICK GEORGE SMITH, Napier Artillery Volunteers.

Captain JOHN CHICKEN, Napier Rifle Volunteers.

Date of appointments, 10th November, 1891.

J. BALLANCE,
For the Minister of Defence.

Volunteer Officers appointed.

Defence Office,
Wellington, 18th November, 1891.

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

Oamaru Naval Artillery Volunteers.

William Arthur Ward Grenfell to be Sub-Lieutenant.

Robert Mahan to be Sub-Lieutenant.

Date of commissions, 7th October, 1891.

B Battery, New Zealand Regiment Artillery Volunteers.

Thomas Chalmer to be Lieutenant. Date of commission, 7th October, 1891.

D Battery, New Zealand Regiment Artillery Volunteers.

Guy Featherston Johnston to be Lieutenant. Date of commission, 7th October, 1891.

Waikouaiti Rifle Volunteers.

Lieutenant William White to be Captain.

Neil Stewart to be Lieutenant.

Robert Templeton to be Lieutenant.

Date of commissions, 7th October, 1891.

Temuka Rifle Volunteers.

Edward Whitehead to be Lieutenant. Date of commission, 7th October, 1891.

Christchurch Rifle Volunteers.

Frank Benjamin Creswell to be Lieutenant. Date of commission, 7th October, 1891.

Canterbury Scottish Rifle Volunteers.

George Fullarton Ross to be Lieutenant. Date of commission, 7th October, 1891.

Timaru Rifle Volunteers.

William Henry Foden to be Lieutenant. Date of commission, 7th October, 1891.

Tuapeka Rifle Volunteers.

Charles Melville Brooks to be Lieutenant. Date of commission, 7th October, 1891.

J. BALLANCE,
For the Minister of Defence.

Commissioner of the Supreme Court appointed.

HUGH FRANCIS ARMSTRONG GOURLEY, Esq., of 349, Collins Street, Melbourne, Victoria, has been appointed this day, by His Honour the Chief Justice, a Commissioner of the Supreme Court of New Zealand in Victoria, under the 2nd section of "The Commissioners of the Supreme Court Act, 1875," for the purpose of administering and taking all such oaths, affidavits, and affirmations as in the said section mentioned.

Dated at Wellington, this 18th day of November, 1891.

D. G. A. COOPER,
Registrar, Supreme Court.

Result of Poll for Proposed Loans, Moa Road Board, County of Taranaki.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Wellington, 19th November, 1891.

THE following notices, received from the Chairman of the Moa Road Board, are published in accordance with "The Local Bodies' Loans Act, 1886."

P. A. BUCKLEY.

TARIKI SPECIAL RATING DISTRICT.

RESULT of poll taken on the 26th October, 1891, upon the proposal to raise a loan of £800 for the Tariki Special Rating District, under "The Government Loans to Local Bodies Act, 1886:"—

Number of ratepayers on special roll, representing one vote each, 41; number of ratepayers who voted for the proposal, 29; number of ratepayers who voted against the proposal, nil; number of ratepayers who did not vote, 12.

I hereby declare the proposal duly carried.

T. W. CORBETT,
Chairman.

KAIMAHA SPECIAL RATING DISTRICT.

RESULT of poll taken on the 27th October, 1891, upon the proposal to raise a loan of £190 for the Kaimaha Special Rating District, under "The Government Loans to Local Bodies Act, 1886:"—

Number of ratepayers who voted for the proposal 8, representing 9 votes; number of ratepayers who voted against the proposal, nil; number of ratepayers who did not vote, 3, representing 3 votes.

I hereby declare the proposal carried.

T. W. CORBETT,
Chairman.

Special Order made by Manganui Road Board, County of Stratford.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Wellington, 18th November, 1891.

THE following special order, made by the Manganui Road Board, is published in accordance with "The Road Boards Act, 1886."

P. A. BUCKLEY.

SPECIAL ORDER passed by the Manganui Road Board, at a Meeting held on the 7th November, 1891.

THAT, to secure the repayment of a loan of £1,200 raised under "The Government Loans to Local Bodies Act, 1886," for the purpose of forming and metalling the Salisbury Road, a special rate of 2 $\frac{5}{16}$ d. in the pound be struck over the Salisbury Road Special Rating District, to be composed of the following sections: Sections Nos. 14, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, Block XIII.; Sections Nos. 1, 2, 3, 4, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, Block XIV.; Sections Nos. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 36, 37, 38, 40, 41, 43, 44, 45, 46, Block X.; Section No. 19, Block IX., Huiroa Survey District.

Such rate to be an annually-recurring rate for twenty-six years, or for as long as the loan shall remain unpaid, and will be payable, in two half-yearly instalments, on the 1st January and the 1st July in each year.

CHARLES V. STEAD,
Clerk.

I hereby certify that the above-mentioned special order was duly passed by the Manganui Road Board, at its meeting held on the 7th November, 1891, as required by section 75 of "The Road Boards Act, 1882;" and now forward a copy of the same as required by section 76 of "The Road Boards Act, 1882."

CHARLES V. STEAD,
Midhurst, 9th November, 1891. Clerk.

Special Order made by Waimea County Council.—Merging Tadmor Road District.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Wellington, 18th November, 1891.

THE following special order, made by the Waimea County Council, is published in accordance with "The Counties Act, 1886."

P. A. BUCKLEY.

SPECIAL ORDER made by the Waimea County Council, at a Special Meeting held on the 3rd day of September, 1891, and confirmed at a subsequent Meeting, held on the 5th day of November, 1891.

THAT, in pursuance of the powers vested in them by "The Counties Act, 1886," the Waimea County Council hereby make the following special order: That the prayer of the petition of the ratepayers in the Tadmor Road District be given effect to, and that the Tadmor Road Board be dissolved, and the said road district merged in the County of Waimea on and after the 5th day of November, 1891.

I hereby certify that the foregoing special order has been duly made in accordance with "The Counties Act, 1886."

ROBERT LOUISSON,
Waimea County Office, County Clerk,
Nelson, 12th November, 1891.

Admission of Boys and Young Men of New Zealand Birth into Her Majesty's Navy.

Defence Office,
Wellington, 18th November, 1891.

THE under-mentioned copy of a despatch received by His Excellency the Governor from the Admiralty, respecting the admission of boys and young men of New Zealand birth into Her Majesty's navy, is published for general information.

R. J. SEDDON.

ADMIRALTY TO COLONIAL OFFICE.

(No. 2444.) Admiralty, 9th September, 1891.

SIR,—I have laid before my Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty your letter of the 12th ultimo, relative to the admission of boys and young men of New Zealand birth into Her Majesty's Australasian Naval Squadron, and, after full consideration, their Lordships desire me to state, for the information of Lord Knutsford, that, while they are not prepared to depart from the principle of the continuous and general-service system, their Lordships will be willing to make arrangements for the admission into the Royal navy of men and boys of Australian and New Zealand birth, on the following lines:—

1. Able or ordinary seamen, to be entered on the Australian Station, to fill vacancies as non-continuous-service men for six months' trial on the station, and if after that time they are found suitable they will be allowed to join the navy as continuous-service men, and will be paid (as continuous-service men) from the date of their original entry. Men so entered will be sent to England for training in gunnery, &c., but they will afterwards be employed on the Australian Station if they so desire.

2. Boys who volunteer and come up to the standard will be accepted and brought to England for training with the paid-off crews of Her Majesty's ships, and after undergoing the necessary training they will be employed as far as possible on the Australian Station if they so desire.

I am, &c.,

EVAN MCGREGOR.

The Under-Secretary of State,
Colonial Office.

Officiating Ministers for 1891.—Notice No. 28.

Registrar-General's Office,
Wellington, 13th November, 1891.

PURSUANT to the provisions of an Act of the General Assembly of New Zealand, passed in the forty-fourth year of the reign of Her Majesty Queen Victoria, and intitled "The Marriage Act, 1880," the following name of an Officiating Minister within the meaning of the said Act is published for general information:—

The Presbyterian Church of New Zealand.
The Reverend Charles Macdonald.

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

Rainfall for October, 1891.

Meteorological Office.

THE following is the rainfall for the month of October, 1891:—

Station.	Observer.	Total Fall in Inches.	Days of Rain.	Maximum Fall and Date.
Pakaraka (Bay of Islands)	H. Williams ..	3.78	10	1.20 on 19th.
Auckland	Govt. Observer	2.64	11	0.87 on 19th.
Cuvier Island (Hauraki Gulf)	Lightkeeper
Omokoroa (Taurangi)	L. A. Shadwell	3.99	10	0.78 on 7th.
Te Aroha ..	P. Snewin ..	3.81	10	1.21 on 17th.
Rotorua ..	Dr. Ginders ..	3.99	11	1.08 on 19th.
Gisborne ..	Archd. Williams	1.46	15	0.24 on 12th.
Mahia Peninsula	G. C. Ormond	0.66	8	0.21 on 6th.
Matahiia (Gisborne)	F. J. Kemp ..	3.08	12	1.20 on 19th.
Papatu Station (Poverty Bay)	H. N. Watson	1.29	12	0.36 on 27th.
Waipiro (Gisborne)	S. Dodgshun ..	2.23	14	0.54 on 6th.
Napier ..	E. Lyndon ..	1.40	5	0.39 on 8th.
Onepoto (L. Waikaremoana)	F. R. Phillips	3.29	6	0.94 on 20th.
Waimarama, H.B.	W. Davidson	0.69	7	0.25 on 7th.
Mt. Vernon, H.B.	E. H. Wright	1.01	6	0.32 on 8th.
Gwavas, H.B. ..	J. Nicoll ..	1.96	13	0.65 on 8th.
Inglewood ..	Miss N. Trimble	7.23	17	3.00 on 19th.
Ngatimaru ..	Miss A. Hutchinson	4.79	8	1.63 on 19th.
Opunake ..	A. H. Moore ..	2.02	10	0.82 on 19th.
Manaia ..	G. A. Hurley	1.60	8	0.54 on 19th.
Kaponga (Wanganui)	E. J. Ellerm ..	5.05	9	2.20 on 18th.
Hawera (Waipapa)	J. Livingston	1.86	7	0.52 on 19th.
Wanganui ..	W. L. Mountfort	1.54	7	0.43 on 19th.
Feilding ..	S. Goodbehere	2.00	11	0.58 on 7th.
Palmerston North	Capt. S. Brown	2.58	10	0.80 on 7th.
Ashurst ..	Claude Francis	2.74	10	0.75 on 7th.
Masterton ..	B. Couborne ..	2.03	9	1.25 on 8th.
Otahuao ..	J. Bennett ..	1.94	6	1.00 on 8th.
Carterton ..	H. Braithwaite	1.86	6	0.84 on 8th.
Featherston ..	H. C. Smith ..	2.54	7	0.80 on 8th.
Dry River (near Martinborough)	C. Phillips ..	1.57	7	0.80 on 8th.
Summit (Rimutaka)	M. Cronin ..	3.46	9	1.08 on 7th.
Upper Hutt ..	T. Lewis ..	0.70	2	0.60 on 7th.
Taita ..	T. Mason ..	2.09	7	0.70 on 8th.
Petone ..	Sir J. Hector	2.59	6	0.83 on 7th.
Wellington ..	Govt. Observer	2.50	9	0.85 on 7th.
Wainuiomata Reservoir	Keeper ..	1.91	5	0.68 on 8th.
Wellington Reservoir	W. Edmonds	2.40	9	0.71 on 7th.
Flaxbourne ..	W. Tatchell ..	1.10	7	0.27 on 8th and 15th.
Cape Campbell ..	Lightkeeper ..	0.87	5	0.30 on 7th.
Kaikoura ..	Miss E. Collins	3.01	9	0.91 on 8th.
The Brothers ..	Lightkeeper ..	1.24	5	0.55 on 7th.
Farewell Spit ..	Lightkeeper ..	1.46	7	0.39 on 7th.
Lincoln ..	E. Wilkinson	1.81	7	0.51 on 7th.
Rangiora ..	T. W. Rowe ..	2.12	9	0.65 on 7th.
Hororata (Selwyn)	Sir J. Hall, M.H.R.	2.30	9	0.63 on 15th.
Kaputatiki (Bulmer)	Hon. W. Rolleston, M.H.R.	2.08	9	0.73 on 7th.
Methven ..	E. Chapman ..	2.66	9	0.65 on 7th.
Winchmore (Ashburton)	R. W. Hart ..	2.44	8	0.72 on 7th.
Dunedin ..	Govt. Observer	3.35	11	1.00 on 5th.
Greymouth ..	J. Conner ..	7.14	15	1.76 on 19th.
Milford Sound ..	Dr. Porter ..	26.69	16	8.59 on 5th.
Balclutha ..	W. McHutcherson	2.10	7	0.78 on 5th.
Bealey ..	J. Ryan ..	4.69	14	0.72 on 14th and 15th.
Maheno (Otago) ..	R. A. Chaffey	0.70	8	0.14 on 7th.
Dipton ..	R. D. MacLachlan	6.12	7	2.70 on 13th.
Invercargill ..	J. L. Bush ..	3.75	8	1.00 on 4th and 20th.
Puysegur Point ..	Lightkeeper ..	13.46	14	3.20 on 5th.
Queenstown ..	L. Hotop ..	4.92	11	2.89 on 5th.
Chatham Islands	A. Shand

J. HECTOR, Director.

Fixing Sittings of the Supreme Court in the Northern Judicial District and at Gisborne.

WE, five of the Judges of the Supreme Court of New Zealand, in pursuance of the powers vested in us by "The Supreme Court Act, 1882," hereby make the following rules respecting the places and times for holding sittings of the Supreme Court and Sittings in Chambers, in the Northern Judicial District and at Gisborne, for the year 1892:—

Sittings for the trial of criminal cases will be held at the Supreme Courthouse, AUCKLAND, to commence on the following days, at 11 a.m. :—

- Tuesday, 8th March.
- Monday, 30th May.
- Monday, 29th August.
- Monday, 28th November.

Sittings for the trial of civil actions will be held at the Supreme Courthouse, AUCKLAND, to commence on the following days, at 11 a.m. :—

- Monday, 8th February.
- Monday, 14th March.
- Monday, 6th June.
- Monday, 4th July.
- Monday, 5th September.
- Monday, 5th December.

The trial of causes under "The Divorce and Matrimonial Causes Act, 1867," may take place at any of the above-mentioned sittings for the trial of civil actions.

Sittings of the Court in Banco will be held at the Courthouse, Auckland, every Wednesday, except during vacation, the absence of the Judge, or when he is engaged on other business.

Sittings in Chambers will be held at the Judge's Chambers, in the Courthouse, AUCKLAND, every Tuesday and Friday, except during vacation, the absence of the Judge, or when he is engaged on other business.

Sittings in Chambers at other times and during vacation, in respect of urgent business, may be held at such times and places as may suit the convenience of the Judge.

Sittings for the trial of criminal and civil cases, and of causes under "The Divorce and Matrimonial Causes Act, 1867," will be held at the Courthouse, NEW PLYMOUTH, to commence on the following days, at 11 a.m. :—

- Wednesday, 30th March.
- Wednesday, 5th October.

Business in Banco and Chambers may be disposed of in the course of these sittings, at such days and hours as the Judge may appoint.

Sittings for the trial of criminal and civil cases, and of causes under "The Divorce and Matrimonial Causes Act, 1867," will be held at the Courthouse, GISBORNE, to commence on the following days, at half-past 10 a.m. :—

- Monday, 22nd February.
- Monday, 8th August.

Business in Banco and in Chambers may be disposed of in the course of these sittings, at such days and hours as the Judge may appoint.

If any of the days above appointed for sittings should be a public holiday, the sittings will commence on the first day after the day so appointed which is not a holiday.

Given under our hands, at Wellington, this fourteenth day of November, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-one.

JAMES PRENDERGAST.
C. W. RICHMOND.
JOSHUA STRANGE WILLIAMS.
J. E. DENNISTON.
EDWARD T. CONOLLY.

Fixing Sittings of the Supreme Court in the Wellington Judicial District.

WE, five of the Judges of the Supreme Court of New Zealand, in pursuance of the powers vested in us by "The Supreme Court Act, 1882," hereby make the following rules respecting the places and times for holding sittings of the Supreme Court and sittings in Chambers, in the Judicial District of Wellington, for the year 1892:—

Sittings for the trial of criminal cases will be held at the Supreme Courthouse, WELLINGTON, to commence on the following days, at 10 a.m. :—

- Monday, 7th March.
- Monday, 30th May.
- Monday, 29th August.
- Monday, 28th November.

Sittings for the trial of civil actions will be held at the Supreme Courthouse, WELLINGTON, to commence on the following days, at 10 a.m. :—

Monday, 8th February.
Monday, 7th March.
Monday, 30th May.
Monday, 29th August.
Monday, 23th November.

The trial of causes under "The Divorce and Matrimonial Causes Act, 1867," may take place at any of the above-mentioned sittings for the trial of civil actions.

Sittings of the Court in Banco will be held at the Courthouse, WELLINGTON, every Wednesday, at half-past 10 o'clock in the forenoon, except during vacation, or during the absence of the Judge, or unless the Judge is engaged on other business.

Sittings in Chambers will be held at the Judge's Chambers, in the Courthouse, WELLINGTON, every Tuesday and Friday, at half-past 10 o'clock in the forenoon, except during vacation, or during the absence of the Judge, or unless the Judge is engaged on other business.

Sittings in Chambers at other times and in vacation, in respect of urgent business, may be held at such times and places as may suit the convenience of the Judge.

Sittings for the trial of criminal and civil cases, and of causes under "The Divorce and Matrimonial Causes Act, 1867," will be held at the Supreme Courthouse, WANGANUI, to commence on the following days, at 11 a.m. :—

Tuesday, 5th April.
Tuesday, 4th October.

Such business in Banco and in Chambers as the Judge shall allow may be disposed of in the course of these sittings, at such days and hours as the Judge may appoint.

Sittings for the trial of criminal and civil cases, and of causes under "The Divorce and Matrimonial Causes Act, 1867," will be held at the Courthouse, NAPIER, to commence on the following days, at half-past 10 a.m. :—

Tuesday, 23rd February.
Tuesday, 14th June.
Tuesday, 20th September.

Such business in Banco and in Chambers as the Judge shall allow may be disposed of in the course of these sittings, at such days and hours as the Judge may appoint.

If any of the days above appointed for sittings should be a public holiday, the sittings will commence on the first day after the day so appointed which is not a holiday.

Given under our hands, at Wellington, this fourteenth day of November, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-one.

JAMES PRENDERGAST.
C. W. RICHMOND.
JOSHUA STRANGE WILLIAMS.
J. E. DENNISTON.
EDWARD T. CONOLLY.

*Fixing Sittings of the Supreme Court in the Nelson
Judicial District.*

WE, five of the Judges of the Supreme Court of New Zealand, in pursuance of the powers vested in us by "The Supreme Court Act, 1882," hereby make the following rules respecting the places and times for holding sittings of the Supreme Court and sittings in Chambers, in the Judicial District of Nelson, for the year 1892 :—

Sittings for the trial of criminal and civil cases, and of causes under "The Divorce and Matrimonial Causes Act, 1867," will be held at the Courthouse, NELSON, to commence on the following days, at 10 a.m. :—

Last Wednesday in March (30th).
First Wednesday in July (6th).
Third Wednesday in November (16th).

Such business in Banco and in Chambers as the Judge shall allow may be disposed of in the course of these sittings, at such days and hours as the Judge may appoint.

Sittings for the trial of criminal and civil cases, and of causes under "The Divorce and Matrimonial Causes Act, 1867," will be held at the Courthouse, BLENHEIM, to commence on the following days, at 11 a.m. :—

First Wednesday in April (6th).
Second Wednesday in July (13th).
Fourth Wednesday in November (23rd).

Such business in Banco and in Chambers as the Judge shall allow may be disposed of in the course of these sittings, at such days and hours as the Judge may appoint.

If any of the days above appointed for sittings should be a public holiday, the sittings will commence on the first day after the day so appointed which is not a holiday.

Given under our hands, at Wellington, this fourteenth day of November, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-one.

JAMES PRENDERGAST.
C. W. RICHMOND.
JOSHUA S. WILLIAMS.
J. E. DENNISTON.
EDWARD T. CONOLLY.

*Fixing Sittings of the Supreme Court in the Westland
Judicial District.*

WE, five of the Judges of the Supreme Court of New Zealand, in pursuance of the powers vested in us by "The Supreme Court Act, 1882," hereby make the following rules respecting the places and times for holding sittings of the Supreme Court and sittings in Chambers, in the Judicial District of Westland, for the year 1892 :—

Sittings for the trial of criminal and civil cases, and of causes under "The Divorce and Matrimonial Causes Act, 1867," will be held at the Supreme Courthouse, HOKITIKA, to commence on the following days, at 11 a.m. :—

Monday, 14th March.
Monday, 5th September.

Business in Chambers may be disposed of in the course of these sittings, on such days and at such hours as the Judge may appoint.

If any of the days above appointed for sittings should be a public holiday, the sittings will commence on the first day after the day so appointed which is not a holiday.

Given under our hands, at Wellington, this fourteenth day of November, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-one.

JAMES PRENDERGAST.
C. W. RICHMOND.
JOSHUA S. WILLIAMS.
J. E. DENNISTON.
EDWARD T. CONOLLY.

*Fixing Sittings of the Supreme Court in the Canterbury
Judicial District.*

WE, five of the Judges of the Supreme Court of New Zealand, in pursuance of the powers vested in us by "The Supreme Court Act, 1882," hereby make the following rules respecting the places and times for holding sittings of the Supreme Court and sittings in Chambers, in the Judicial District of Canterbury, for the year 1892 :—

Sittings for the trial of criminal cases will be held at the Supreme Courthouse, CHRISTCHURCH, to commence on the following days, at 11 a.m. :—

Monday, 22nd February.
Monday, 30th May.
Monday, 8th August.
Monday, 21st November.

Sittings for the trial of civil actions will be held at the Supreme Courthouse, CHRISTCHURCH, to commence on the following days, at 11 a.m. :—

Monday, 29th February.
Monday, 4th April.
Monday, 6th June.
Monday, 15th August.
Monday, 19th September.
Monday, 28th November.

The trial of causes under "The Divorce and Matrimonial Causes Act, 1867," may take place at any of the above-mentioned sittings for the trial of civil actions.

Sittings of the Court in Banco will be held at the Courthouse, CHRISTCHURCH, every Wednesday, except during vacation, or during the absence of the Judge, or unless the Judge is engaged on other business.

Sittings in Chambers will be held at the Judge's Chambers, in the Courthouse, CHRISTCHURCH, every Tuesday and Friday, except during vacation, or during the absence of the Judge, or when the Judge is engaged on other business.

Sittings in Chambers at other times and in vacation, in respect of urgent business, may be held at such times and places as may suit the convenience of the Judge.

Sittings for the trial of criminal and civil cases, and of causes under "The Divorce and Matrimonial Causes Act, 1867," will be held at the Courthouse, TIMARU, to commence on the following days, at 11 a.m. :—

Tuesday, 9th February.
Tuesday, 21st June.
Tuesday, 4th October.

Business in Chambers may be disposed of in the course of these sittings, on such days and at such hours as the Judge may appoint.

If any of the days above appointed for sittings should be a public holiday, the sittings will commence on the first day after the day so appointed which is not a holiday.

Given under our hands, at Wellington, this fourteenth day of November, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-one.

JAMES PRENDERGAST.
C. W. RICHMOND.
JOSHUA STRANGE WILLIAMS.
J. E. DENNISTON.
EDWARD T. CONOLLY.

Fixing Sittings of the Supreme Court in the Otago and Southland Judicial District.

WE, five of the Judges of the Supreme Court of New Zealand, in pursuance of the powers vested in us by "The Supreme Court Act, 1882," hereby make the following rules respecting the places and times for holding sittings of the Supreme Court and sittings in Chambers, in the Judicial District of Otago and Southland, for the year 1892:—

Sittings for the trial of criminal cases will be held at the Supreme Courthouse, DUNEDIN, to commence on the following days, at 10 a.m.:—

- Monday, 7th March.
- Monday, 6th June.
- Monday, 5th September.
- Monday, 5th December.

Sittings for the trial of civil actions will be held at the Supreme Courthouse, DUNEDIN, to commence on the following days, at 10 a.m.:—

- Monday, 22nd February.
- Monday, 21st March.
- Monday, 27th June.
- Monday, 1st August.
- Monday, 12th September.
- Monday, 21st November.

The trial of causes under "The Divorce and Matrimonial Causes Act, 1867," may take place at any of the above-mentioned sittings for the trial of civil actions.

Sittings of the Court in Banco will be held at the Courthouse, DUNEDIN, every Wednesday, except during vacation, or in the absence of the Judge, or unless the Judge is engaged on other business.

Sittings in Chambers will be held at the Judge's Chambers, in the Courthouse, DUNEDIN, every Tuesday and Friday, except during vacation, or in the absence of the Judge, or unless the Judge is engaged on other business.

Sittings in Chambers at other times and during vacation, in respect of urgent business, may be held at such times and places as may suit the convenience of the Judge.

Sittings for the trial of criminal and civil cases, and of causes under "The Divorce and Matrimonial Causes Act, 1867," will be held at the Courthouse, INVERCARGILL, to commence on the following days, at 10 a.m.:—

- Tuesday, 9th February.
- Tuesday, 14th June.
- Tuesday, 27th September.

Sittings for the trial of criminal and civil cases, and of causes under "The Divorce and Matrimonial Causes Act, 1867," will be held at the Courthouse, OAMARU, to commence on the following days, at 10 a.m.:—

- Tuesday, 15th March.
- Tuesday, 6th September.

Business in Chambers may be disposed of in the course of these sittings, at such days and hours as the Judge may appoint.

If any of the days above appointed for sittings should be a public holiday, the sittings will commence on the first day after the day so appointed which is not a holiday.

Given under our hands, at Wellington, this fourteenth day of November, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-one.

JAMES PRENDERGAST.
C. W. RICHMOND.
JOSHUA STRANGE WILLIAMS.
J. E. DENNISTON.
EDWARD T. CONOLLY.

Judges of the Supreme Court under "The Election Petitions Act, 1880," named.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF
NEW ZEALAND.

In the matter of "The Election Petitions Act, 1880."

IT is hereby notified that I have, in pursuance of the provisions of "The Election Petitions Act, 1880," named

JOSHUA STRANGE WILLIAMS, Esq., one of the Judges of the Supreme Court of New Zealand, and
JOHN EDWARD DENNISTON, Esq., another of such Judges,

to be the Judges of the Supreme Court before whom shall be tried the petition presented by Eden George against the return of Ebenezer Sandford as a Member of the House of Representatives for the Electoral District of the City of Christchurch.

Dated this 14th day of November, 1891.

JAMES PRENDERGAST,
Chief Justice.

Civil Service Senior Examination.

Education Department,
Wellington, 16th September, 1891.

IN pursuance of regulations under "The Civil Service Reform Act, 1886," notice is hereby given that for the Senior Examination of January, 1893, the period of literature will be the reign of Elizabeth, and the special books will be Shakespeare's Hamlet and Macaulay's Essays on Bacon and Walpole.

W. P. REEVES,
Minister of Education.

Crown Lands Notices.

Rural Lands in the Auckland Land District open for Sale or Selection.

Department of Lands and Survey,
Auckland, 1st October, 1891.

THE under-mentioned Crown lands will be open for sale or selection, in terms of sections 3 to 11 of "The Land Act Amendment Act, 1887," either for cash, on deferred payments, or for perpetual lease, at the option of the selector, on and after Wednesday, the 25th November, 1891. In cases where more than one application is received for the same section, priority of choice will be decided by priority of application:—

SECOND-CLASS UNSURVEYED LAND.

Coromandel and Raglan Counties.

All that parcel of land in the Auckland Land District, situate in the Moehau and Cape Colville Survey Districts, and containing approximately 1,450 acres, more or less. Bounded towards the north by the Pohakene No. 1 Block; towards the east by a right line running due south from the south-eastern angle of the last-named block, 12000 links; thence towards the north-east by a right line to the northernmost angle of Section No. 1 of Block I., Moehau Survey District; towards the south-east by that section; and towards the west generally by the sea to the point of commencement.

Generally very broken land, covered with scrub and mixed bush. Cash price, 5s. per acre.

All that parcel of land in the Auckland Land District, situate in the Cape Colville Survey District, and containing approximately 1,400 acres. Bounded towards the east generally by the sea; towards the south-east by Section No. 1, Block II., Moehau Survey District; towards the south-west by a right line from the westernmost angle of Section No. 1 aforesaid to the southernmost angle of the Moehau No. 1m Block; and towards the north-west by the Moehau No. 1m Block aforesaid to the point of commencement.

Generally very broken land, covered with scrub and mixed bush. Cash price, 5s. per acre.

All that parcel of land in the Auckland Land District, situate in the Moehau and Hatataunga Survey Districts, and containing approximately 1,700 acres. Bounded towards the north-east generally by the sea; towards the south-east generally by the Tapapakaroro, Okahutahi, and Motukahakaha Blocks to the westernmost angle of the last-named block; thence towards the south-west by a right line to the southernmost angle of Section No. 1 of Block II., Moehau Survey District; and towards the north-west by that section and Stony Bay to the point of commencement.

Generally very broken land, covered with scrub and mixed bush. Cash price, 5s. per acre.

All that parcel of land in the Auckland Land District, situate in the Parish of Whangape, and containing approximately 17,000 acres. Bounded towards the north generally by a public road and by Section No. 5, Parish of Opuatia; towards the east generally by Sections Nos. 30, 84, 81, and 82, Parish of Whangape; towards the south generally by a public road, by Sections No. 32, Block VIII., and Section No. 26, Block VII., Awaroa Survey District, by a public road, by Section Nos. 4, 3, 2, and 1, Block VII., Awaroa Survey District aforesaid, and by the northern boundary of Block VI. of the same survey district; and towards the south-west by Section No. 3, Parish of Putataka, to the point of commencement.

All mixed forest, with a few fern openings; soil generally very good, and a large proportion of it is limestone. Roads have been graded through the block, and will in some places be partially cleared so that selectors can trace the lines. Cash price, 15s. per acre.

GERHARD MUELLER,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Rural Lands open for Sale or Selection, Auckland Land District.

Department of Lands and Survey, Auckland, 24th September, 1891.

THE under-mentioned Crown lands will be open for sale or selection, in terms of sections 3 to 11 of "The Land Act Amendment Act, 1887," either for cash, on deferred payments, or for perpetual lease, at the option of the selector, on and after Wednesday, the 2nd December, 1891. In cases where more than one application is received for the same section, priority of choice will be decided by priority of application for unsurveyed land, and by lot on the following day, at 11 a.m., at the Crown Lands Office, Auckland, for surveyed land:—

SURVEYED LAND.

County.	Parish* or Survey District.†	Section.	Block.	Area.	Cash Price.		Deferred-payment Price.		Perpetual Lease.	
					Per Acre.	Total Price.	Per Acre.	Half-yearly Instalment.	Rent per Acre.	Half-yearly Rent.

FIRST-CLASS LAND.

		A.	R.	P.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.									
Manukau	Wairoa*	..	48	..	51	2	0	1	0	0	51	10	0	1	5	0	2	6	0	0	1	0	1	5	9

All mixed forest, rather broken, well watered.

Whakatane	Waiotahi*	..	429	..	199	3	0	1	0	0	199	15	0	1	5	0	8	18	6	0	1	0	5	0	0
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This section comprises about 30 acres level land, 120 acres mixed bush, consisting of puriri, rimu, &c., the balance being covered with fern and tea-tree. Situated on the Waiotahi River, about four miles from mouth. (Surrendered perpetual lease.)

SECOND-CLASS LAND.

Bay of Islands	Ruapekapeka*		54	..	63	0	0	0	10	0	31	10	0	0	12	6	1	8	3	0	0	6	0	15	9
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Situating on road near Ruapekapeka Pa; comprises broken forest land, with about 5 acres open.

Hokianga	Whangape†	..	1	XIII.	344	0	0	0	10	0	172	0	0	0	12	6	7	13	9	0	0	6	4	6	0
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This land, which is known as the Waitaha Block, is situated on the sea-coast, about two miles south of Whangape, and comprises about two-thirds open land, covered with flax, &c., the balance being mixed forest and very broken.

Otamatea	Paparoa*	..	N.W.94	..	8	0	0	0	10	0	4	0	0	0	12	6	0	3	9	0	0	6	0	2	0
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Broken land, covered with mixed forest and tea-tree.

Waikato	Maramarua*	..	16	..	1,238	3	0	0	5	0	309	15	0	0	6	3	13	16	6	0	0	3	7	15	0
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This section is situated about seven miles from Mercer, and consists of about 740 acres of deep swamp and 500 acres poor fern ridges. (Surrendered perpetual lease.)

Waitemata	Waikomiti*	..	370	..	48	3	0	0	15	0	36	15	0	0	18	9	1	13	0	0	0	9	0	18	6
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Broken forest land, accessible by private track from Henderson's Valley Road. (Surrendered perpetual lease.)

Whangarei	Waipu*	..	101	..	45	0	0	0	7	6	16	17	6	0	9	4½	0	15	3	0	0	4½	0	8	6
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Broken land, covered with light bush; a small area is limestone.

Raglan	Whaingaroa*	..	N.73	..	77	0	0	0	10	0	38	10	0	0	12	6	1	14	6	0	0	6	0	19	3
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Very broken, forest land; adjoins Opoturu Stream.

Rodney	Oruawhoro*	..	N.E.91	..	27	2	0	0	5	0	7	0	0	0	6	3	0	6	3	0	0	3	0	3	6
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Poor, open land, covered with fern and tea-tree, with a small patch of bush on Section 91.

"	"	..	S.E.92	..	61	0	0	0	5	0	15	5	0	0	6	3	0	13	9	0	0	3	0	7	9
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Tauranga	Waihi South†		21	II.	276	2	0	0	7	6	103	17	6	0	9	4½	4	12	9	0	0	4½	2	12	0
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Undulating, fern land, consisting of a light sandy soil; adjoins Pongakaua River.

UNSURVEYED LAND.

Whangarei County.

All that parcel of land in the Auckland Land District, situate in Block XIV., Hukerenui Survey District, and containing approximately 1,900 acres. Bounded towards the north by a public road; towards the east by Sections Nos. 2, 3, and 4 of Block XIV., Hukerenui Survey District; towards the south generally by Section No. 8 of Block XIV. aforesaid, by a right line from the westernmost angle of the last-named section to the northernmost angle of the Parish of Otakairangi, and by part of the north-western boundary of that parish; and towards the west by part of the eastern boundary of Block XIII., Hukerenui Survey District, and by Section No. 6 of that block to the point of commencement.

Open fern and swamp lands of very poor quality. Cash price, 5s. per acre.

All that parcel of land in the Auckland Land District, situate in the Parish of Ruarangi, and containing approximately 1,050 acres. Bounded towards the east generally by the road which forms the western boundary of Sections Nos. 30, 28, 71, 67, 66, and 63 of the Parish of Ruarangi; towards the south generally by the road which forms the northern boundary of Sections Nos. 61, 60, and 57 of the Parish of Ruarangi aforesaid; and towards the north-west generally by the road which forms the south-eastern boundary of Sections Nos. 24, 20, 21, 18, 19, and 27 of the Parish of Ruarangi aforesaid to the point of commencement.

Chiefly open land, of poor quality; there is also a small quantity of mixed bush, of little value. Cash price, 7s. 6d. per acre.

Tauranga County.

All that parcel of land in the Auckland Land District, situate in the Parish of Te Puna, and containing approximately 550 acres. Bounded towards the north generally by a public road, by Section No. 208 of the Parish of Te Puna, and by a public road; towards the east generally by Sections Nos. 182 and 183 of the Parish of Te Puna aforesaid and by a public road; towards the south by the northern boundary of Blocks XII. and XIII., Tauranga Survey District; and towards the north-west by a public road to the point of commencement.

Open land, rather broken; accessible by cart-road from Tauranga. Cash price, 10s. an acre.

Raglan County.

All that parcel of land in the Auckland Land District, situate in the Parish of Waipa, and containing approximately 400 acres. Bounded towards the north by Section No. 166 of the Parish of Pepepe; towards the east by a right line running due south to the north-eastern angle of Section No. 102 of the Parish of Waipa; towards the south by that section; towards the west by Section No. 103 of the same parish; again towards the south by Section No. 103 aforesaid and Section No. 104 of the same parish; and again towards the west by Sections Nos. 109 and 111 to the point of commencement.

Broken, forest land; not accessible by any road at present. Cash price, 7s. 6d. per acre.

All that parcel of land in the Auckland Land District, situate in the Parish of Karamu, and containing approximately 2,675 acres. Bounded towards the north by the Raglan-Whatawhata Road; towards the east by Section No. 174 of the Parish of Karamu; towards the south by a public road; and towards the west by the Waitetuna River and Sections Nos. 186, 165, 164, 163, 162, and 161 of the Parish of Karamu aforesaid to the point of commencement.

Forest and open land, very broken; the northern portion fronts the main Whatawhata and Raglan coach-road. Cash price, 10s. an acre.

All that parcel of land in the Auckland Land District, situate in the Parish of Opuatia, and containing approximately 576 acres. Bounded towards the north by Section No. 4 of the Parish of Opuatia; towards the east by Sections Nos. 2 and 3 of the said parish; towards the south by Section No. 6 of the said parish; and towards the west by Section No. 5 of the Parish of Opuatia aforesaid to the point of commencement.

Swamp and open land, of inferior quality. Cash price, 10s. per acre.

All that parcel of land in the Auckland Land District, situate in the Parish of Opuatia, and containing approximately 250 acres. Bounded towards the north by Section No. 6 of the Parish of Opuatia; towards the east by the Opuatia Stream; towards the south generally by Sections Nos. 8 and 6 of the Parish of Opuatia; and towards the west by Section No. 6 aforesaid to the point of commencement.

Nearly all deep swamp, with about 10 acres of dry land. Cash price, 10s. per acre.

Waitemata County.

All that parcel of land in the Auckland Land District, situate in the Parish of Waipareira, and containing approximately 1,675 acres. Bounded towards the north by the Kaipara-Auckland Railway; towards the east by Section No. 6A of the Parish of Waipareira; towards the south by the Opapuku Stream; towards the south-west by Section No. 7 of the Parish of Waipareira aforesaid; and towards the north-west by a public road and by Sections Nos. 123, 122, 114, and 113 of the Parish of Waipareira aforesaid to the point of commencement.

Very poor, open, gum land, lying south of Swanson Railway-station. Cash price, 10s. per acre.

Otamatea County.

All that parcel of land in the Auckland Land District, being Sections Nos. 136, 137, 138, and 139 of the Parish of Wairau, and containing approximately 434 acres. Bounded towards the north by a public road; towards the east generally by the eastern boundary of the Parish of Wairau and by the western branch of the Waipu River; towards the south by the said western branch; and towards the west generally by a public road to the point of commencement.

All very broken land, but good soil, covered with mixed forest and some tea-tree; the forest contains a little totara. These sections are situated on Main North Road, near Waipu Gorge. Cash price, 10s. per acre.

GERHARD MUELLER,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Land for Sale by Auction, Auckland Land District.

Lands and Survey Office,
Auckland, 1st October, 1891.

NOTICE is hereby given that the under-mentioned section will be offered for sale by public auction, at the Land Office, Tauranga, on Wednesday, the 25th November next, at the hour of 11 a.m.:-

WHAKATANE COUNTY.—PARISH OF WAIMANA.

Section 265, containing 8 acres. Upset price, £8.
Open land, situated on the Whakatane River.

Terms of Sale: One-fifth of the purchase-money to be paid on the fall of the hammer, and the balance (with Crown-grant fee, £1) within thirty days thereafter, otherwise the part of the purchase-money paid by way of deposit shall be forfeited, and the contract for the sale of the land shall henceforth be null and void.

Plans may be seen at the Land Office.

GERHARD MUELLER,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Lands open for Application, Marlborough Land District.

Department of Lands and Survey,
Blenheim, 19th October, 1891.

IN accordance with sections 92 and 173 of "The Land Act, 1885," the Marlborough Land Board hereby notifies that the under-mentioned lands, having been previously offered by public auction, shall be open for application, at the upset price and respective annual rents set forth below, on and after Monday, the 23rd November, 1891:-

FOR SALE FOR CASH.

Mount Fyffe Survey District: Section 1, Block X., 1 rood 26 perches; upset price, £5. A deposit of one-fifth of the price of the land must be paid on application, and the balance, together with the Crown-grant fee, within thirty days, or the deposit will be forfeited.

PASTORAL RUNS UNDER PART VI., "LAND ACT, 1885."

Arapawa Survey District, Ocean Bay, Port Underwood: Run No. 18, 450 acres; annual rent, £1 17s. 6d.

Wakamarina Survey District, Kaituna Valley: Run No. 55, 2,290 acres; annual rent, £9 10s. 10d.

Onamalutu Survey District, Kaituna Valley: Run No. 59, 1,240 acres; annual rent, £5 3s. 4d.

Arapawa Survey District, Cook Strait: Run No. 66, 1,350 acres; annual rent, £5 12s. 6d.

Hodder Survey District, Awatere Valley (late Penkridge Run): Run No. 67, 4,000 acres; annual rent, £16 13s. 4d.

In each case the licensee to have the boundaries laid off at his own expense, if required to do so by the Land Board.

A fee of £1 1s. for the license and half a year's rent must be deposited with the application.

Further particulars and lithographic maps can be obtained on application at this office.

HENRY G. CLARK,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Town and Rural Lands for Sale by Auction, Auckland Land District.

Lands and Survey Office,
Auckland, 2nd October, 1891.

NOTICE is hereby given that the under-mentioned town and rural lands will be offered for sale by public auction, at this office, on Friday, the 27th November next, at 11 a.m.:-

Section.	Area.	Upset Price.
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TOWN OF RUSSELL.

	A. R. P.	£ s. d.
Lot 13, Sec. 1	0 0 39	7 10 0

EDEN COUNTY.—PARISH OF TITIRANGI.

182	16 1 24	16 10 0
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Very poor land, being a wiwi swampy bank in the mangroves, near mouth of the Whau Creek.

HOBSON COUNTY.—PARISH OF WHAKAHARA.

S.E. 15	39 2 0	39 10 0
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All mixed bush, containing about 40,000ft. of kauri.

MANGONUI COUNTY.—PARISH OF KAIAKA.

70A	16 0 0	8 0 0
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Broken forest land, adjoining Hindson's homestead selection.

MANUKAU COUNTY.—PARISH OF HUNUA.

204	40 3 3	82 0 0
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Comprises 15 acres undulating forest land, remainder low wet flat, poor soil. The bush contains some good totara, and about 80,000ft. of kauri timber.

OTAMATEA COUNTY.—PARISH OF OMARU.

163	520 0 0	520 0 0
164	545 0 0	545 0 0
165	685 0 0	1,370 0 0
166	800 0 0	800 0 0
168	135 2 0	203 5 0

These sections are all mixed forest except 164, which contains some open land fronting the road. The following is the approximate quantity of kauri timber contained in each section: Section 163, 500,000ft.; Section 164, about 200,000ft.; Section 165, about 2,000,000ft.; Section 166, about 200,000ft.; and Section 168, about 800,000ft. These sections all adjoin the Mangonui River, but a right of road to enable timber to be got out is reserved through Sections 163, 164, 165, and 166.

RAGLAN COUNTY.—PARISH OF KARIOI.

93A	30 0 0	15 0 0
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Open land, near sea-coast.

Terms of Sale: One-fifth of the purchase-money to be paid on the fall of the hammer, and the balance (with Crown-grant fee) within thirty days thereafter, otherwise the part of the purchase-money paid by way of deposit shall be forfeited, and the contract for the sale of the land shall henceforth be null and void.

Plans may be seen at the local post-offices, and on application at this office.

GERHARD MUELLER,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Rural Lands open for Sale or Selection, Auckland Land District.

Department of Lands and Survey, Auckland, 22nd October, 1891.

THE under-mentioned Crown lands will be open for sale or selection, in terms of sections 3 to 11 of "The Land Act Amendment Act, 1887," either for cash, on deferred payments, or for perpetual lease, at the option of the selector, on and after Wednesday, the 9th December, 1891. In cases where more than one application is received for the same section, priority of choice will be decided by priority of application for unsurveyed land, and by lot on the following day, at 11 a.m., at the Crown Lands Office, Auckland, for surveyed land:—

County.	Parish* or Survey District.†	Section	Block.	Area.	Cash Price per Acre.	Total Price.	Deferred-payment Price per Acre.	Deferred-payment Half-yearly Instalment.	Perpetual-lease Rent per Acre.	Perpetual-lease Half-yearly Rent.
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FIRST-CLASS SURVEYED LAND.

				A.	R.	P.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.							
Manukau ..	Waiuku West*	162	..	108	0	0	1	0	0	108	0	0	1	5	0	6	15	0	0	1	0	2	14	0	
Comprises about 16 acres undulating fern and scrub land, balance swamp; situated about two miles from Waiuku Township.																									
Waikato ..	Taupiri*	262	..	28	0	0	1	0	0	28	0	0	1	5	0	1	15	0	0	0	1	0	0	14	0
" ..	"	340, 341	..	104	0	18	1	5	0	130	0	0	1	11	3	8	2	6	0	0	1	3	3	5	0
" ..	"	342	..	53	2	24	1	5	0	67	10	0	1	11	3	4	4	6	0	0	1	3	1	13	9
" ..	"	479	..	29	0	0	1	0	0	29	0	0	1	5	0	1	16	3	0	0	1	0	0	14	6
Sections 262 and 479, open land of good quality, at head of Matahuru River; 340 and 341, about two-thirds kahikatea bush, remainder fern and tall manuka, good rich soil, of a level and undulating nature; 342, comprises kahikatea and mixed bush, soil rich. These sections are at the head of the Mangawhara River.																									

SECOND-CLASS SURVEYED LAND.

Bay of Isl'ds	Hukerenuit ..	{ 76 15	{ V. IX. }	150	0	0	0	10	0	75	0	0	0	12	6	4	13	9	0	0	6	1	17	6
Comprises about one-third mixed bush, remainder open and swamp land containing flax and raupo.																								
Mangonui ..	Takahue†	5	XV.	44	0	0	0	10	0	22	0	0	0	12	6	1	7	6	0	0	6	0	11	0
" ..	"	11	"	48	2	0	0	10	0	24	5	0	0	12	6	1	10	3	0	0	6	0	12	3
Section 5, about two-thirds mixed bush, remainder swamp, fern, and tea-tree; 11, all mixed bush. Access to these lands is gained by bridle-track from Rawene, Victoria Valley Road. Section 5 is a museum endowment. (Forfeited deferred payment.)																								
Otamatea ..	Omaru*	N.W. 95	..	68	2	0	0	5	0	17	2	6	0	6	3	1	1	6	0	0	3	0	8	9
" ..	"	162	..	550	0	0	0	12	6	343	15	0	0	15	7½	21	9	9	0	0	7½	8	12	0
" ..	"	167	..	959	0	0	0	5	0	239	15	0	0	6	3	14	19	9	0	0	3	6	0	0
Section N.W. 95, poor open land, covered with fern and tea-tree; 162, all mixed bush; 167, nearly all open fern and tea-tree land, of a poor nature, containing a little bush. (A right-of-way is reserved through Sections 162 and 167 to enable timber to be taken from adjoining sections.)																								
Otamatea ..	Mareretu*	191A	..	90	0	0	0	5	0	22	10	0	0	6	3	1	4	3	0	0	3	0	11	3
" ..	"	227A	..	37	0	0	0	10	0	18	10	0	0	12	6	1	3	3	0	0	6	0	9	3
Section 191A, nearly all open and poor land, with a little mixed bush on eastern side; 227A, all light mixed bush, extending to Mangonui River.																								
Waikato ..	Whangamarino*	472	..	494	0	0	0	10	0	247	0	0	0	12	6	15	8	9	0	0	6	6	3	6
Comprises one-fourth open fern and tea-tree land, balance mixed bush of generally broken character, situated about eighteen miles from Wairangi Railway-station by road.																								
Waikato ..	Taupiri*	347	..	80	0	0	0	10	0	40	0	0	0	12	6	2	10	0	0	0	6	1	0	0
" ..	"	399	..	50	2	0	0	10	0	25	5	0	0	12	6	1	11	9	0	0	6	0	12	9
" ..	"	404	..	101	0	0	0	10	0	50	10	0	0	12	6	3	3	3	0	0	6	1	5	3
" ..	"	475	..	87	0	0	0	15	0	65	5	0	0	18	9	4	1	9	0	0	9	1	12	9
" ..	"	477	..	208	0	0	0	10	0	104	0	0	0	12	6	6	10	0	0	0	6	2	12	0
" ..	"	478	..	1,842	0	0	0	10	0	921	0	0	0	12	6	57	11	3	0	0	6	23	0	6
Sections 347, 399, and 404, from about 25 to 40 acres each of good swamp, remainder open indifferent land; 475, about 50 acres swampy kahikatea bush, balance fern and manuka, soil good; 477, about 60 acres good flax and raupo swamp, balance open land and undulating but poor; 478, all more or less deep swamp of good quality, containing flax and about 200 acres of kahikatea bush. These sections are at the head of the Mangawhara River.																								
Waitemata	Waipareira*	133	..	45	1	0	0	7	6	16	17	6	0	9	4½	1	1	3	0	0	4½	0	8	6
" ..	"	137A	..	45	1	0	0	12	6	28	2	6	0	15	7½	1	15	3	0	0	7½	0	14	3
Section 133, all open poor land near south end of tunnel; 137A, open land close to Waitakerei Railway-station. (Forfeited deferred payment.)																								

SECOND-CLASS UNSURVEYED LAND.

Hokianga County.

All that parcel of land in the Auckland Land District, situate in Block I., Whangape Survey District, and containing approximately 620 acres. Bounded towards the north by Sections Nos. 31, 32, 33, and 34 of Block I., Whangape Survey District; towards the east generally by the Mangonui-Hokianga Road; towards the south by Block IV., Whangape Survey District; and towards the west by Section No. 35 of Block I., Whangape Survey District, to the point of commencement. All mixed forest land of fair quality, situated on main Rawene-Takahue Road. Price, 10s. an acre.

Waitemata County.

All that parcel of land in the Auckland Land District, situate in the Parish of Karangahape, and containing approximately 320 acres. Bounded towards the north generally by the sea and by Sections Nos. 103 and 108 of the Parish of Karangahape; towards the north-east by said Section No. 103; towards the south-west by Section No. 34 of the said parish; and towards the west generally by the sea to the point of commencement.

Very broken land, covered with mixed forest and scrub, situated on sea-coast one mile north of Manukau Heads. Price, 10s. an acre.

Whakatane County.

All that parcel of land in the Auckland Land District, situate in the Parish of Waiotahi, and containing approximately 2,600 acres. Bounded towards the north by Section No. 456 of the Parish of Waiotahi; towards the east by a right line running due south from the south-eastern angle of the last-named section to the confiscation boundary; towards the south by the confiscation boundary; and towards the west by the Waiotahi River to the point of commencement.

Very broken forest land of fair quality. Price, 7s. 6d. per acre.

GERHARD MUELLER,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Rural Lands open for Sale or Selection, Otago Land District.

Crown Lands Office, Dunedin, 15th October, 1891.

THE under-mentioned Crown lands will be open for sale or selection, in terms of sections 3 to 11 of "The Land Act Amendment Act, 1887," either for cash, on deferred payments, or for perpetual lease, at the option of the selector, on and after Wednesday, the 2nd December, 1891. In cases where more than one application is received for the same section, priority of choice will be decided by lot on the following day, at 11 a.m., at the Crown Lands Office, Dunedin:—

County.	Survey District.	Section.	Block.	Area.	Cash Price.		Deferred-payment Price.			Perpetual Lease.			
					Per Acre.	Total Price.	Per Acre.	Half-yearly Instalment.	Rent per Acre.	Half-yearly Rent.			
FIRST-CLASS LAND.													
					A.	R.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	
Bruce ..	Clarendon ..	66	I.	19 3 7	1	0	0	20	0	0	1	5	0
About 10 acres of this section is in tussock, remainder mixed bush; good, rough land; water scarce; altitude about 500ft. above sea-level. Situated about three miles from Waiholo Railway-station; distance from Dunedin about twenty-eight miles.													
Bruce ..	Clarendon ..	68	VI.	68 0 24	1	0	0	68	0	0	1	5	0
Bruce ..	Clarendon ..	69	"	52 0 34	1	0	0	52	0	0	2	6	5
Section 68, about 17 acres fern and light manuka scrub, 5 acres good manuka, remainder mixed bush. Section 69, manuka and mixed bush. Both sections rough and well watered; altitude about 500ft. above sea-level. Situated south of Taieri Mouth, about six miles from Waiholo Railway-station; distance from Dunedin about thirty-two miles.													
Tuapeka ..	Crookston ..	15	XVII.	109 1 6	1	0	0	109	0	0	1	5	0
Open, hilly land, of medium quality, fairly watered. Situated about eight miles from Heriot Railway-station, or twenty miles from Lawrence, via Rae's Junction; distance from Dunedin about eighty miles. Subject to valuation for 30 chains fencing, £12, to be paid within fourteen days from granting of application.													
Waikouaiti	Hummockside	7	IV.	536 1 23	1	0	0	536	0	0	1	5	0
Open, hilly land, of good pastoral quality, well watered. Situated about ten miles from Waikouaiti Railway-station; distance from Dunedin about forty miles. Subject to valuation for fencing and surface-sown grass, £62 16s., to be paid within fourteen days from granting of application.													
SECOND-CLASS LAND.													
Bruce ..	Clarendon ..	67	I.	165 0 26	0	10	0	82	10	0	0	12	6
About 80 acres of this section in tussock and light manuka scrub, remainder bush and very rough and rocky. There is some good timber, pine and totara, but it is difficult to get out; well watered. Altitude 200ft. to 873ft. above sea-level. Situated about three miles from Waiholo Railway-station and twenty-eight miles from Dunedin.													
Tuapeka ..	Glenkenich ..	74	XI.	136 3 9	0	12	6	85	12	6	0	15	7½
Open, hilly land. Situated about three miles from Pomahaka Railway-station; distance from Dunedin about ninety-five miles. Subject to valuation for hut and area broken up, £40, payable within fourteen days of granting of application.													
Clutha ..	Glenomaru ..	22	I.	20 0 0	0	10	0	10	0	0	0	12	6
" ..	" ..	23	"	23 3 0	0	10	0	12	0	0	0	12	6
Steep hillside, of poor quality; a little bush on each section, but the greater portion open. Situate at Mount Omaru, within three miles of Romahapa Railway-station; distance from Dunedin about sixty-eight miles.													
Clutha ..	Glenomaru ..	22	III.	67 0 0	0	10	0	33	10	0	0	12	6
" ..	" ..	51	"	134 2 0	0	10	0	67	10	0	0	12	6
" ..	" ..	52	"	150 3 20	0	12	6	94	7	6	0	15	7½
" ..	" ..	53	"	124 1 0	0	12	6	77	10	0	0	15	7½
" ..	" ..	54	"	105 2 0	0	12	6	66	5	0	0	15	7½
" ..	" ..	55	"	129 0 0	0	10	0	64	10	0	0	12	6
" ..	" ..	56	"	78 3 0	0	12	6	49	7	6	0	15	7½
" ..	" ..	59	"	103 1 0	0	10	0	51	10	0	0	12	6
" ..	" ..	60	"	120 2 0	0	10	0	60	10	0	0	12	6
" ..	" ..	61	"	102 3 0	0	10	0	51	10	0	0	12	6
" ..	" ..	62	"	137 2 0	0	12	6	86	5	0	0	15	7½
" ..	" ..	63	"	182 0 0	0	12	6	113	15	0	0	15	7½
Hilly, broken land, covered with bush, mainly birch. Sections 52, 53, 54, 56, 62, and 63 fair, remainder poor; all fairly watered; altitude from 300ft. to 1000ft. above sea-level. Situated close to Glenomaru Railway-station, about seventy miles from Dunedin.													
Tuapeka ..	Greenvale ..	11	XIV.	318 3 19	0	15	0	239	5	0	0	18	9
Open, hilly land, of poor quality, fairly watered. Situated about ten miles from Heriot Railway-station; distance from Dunedin about 116 miles. Subject to valuation for fencing, £16 5s., payable within fourteen days from granting of application.													
Waitaki ..	Kauroo ..	18	IX.	265 0 36	0	10	0	132	10	0	0	12	6
" ..	" ..	16	X.	205 3 6	0	10	0	103	0	0	0	12	6
High, broken country, of poor quality; well watered. Situated near head of Kakanui River, about eighteen miles from Maheno Railway-station; distance from Dunedin about eighty-eight miles.													
Vincent ..	Lower Wanaka	2	V.	144 0 12	0	12	6	90	0	0	0	15	7½
" ..	" ..	5	"	163 3 34	0	12	6	102	10	0	0	15	7½
Open land. Section 2, of good quality. Section 5, hilly, and portion poor and shingly. Situated about four miles from Newcastle (Albert Town), Lake Hawea; distance from Dunedin about 185 miles. Section 2, subject to valuation for house, fencing, &c., £141 10s.; Section 5, to valuation for hut, fencing, &c., £49 17s. 6d.; payable within fourteen days from granting of application.													
Waitaki ..	Moeraki ..	8	XIII.	260 3 5	0	10	0	130	10	0	0	12	6
" ..	" ..	18	"	100 3 18	0	10	0	50	10	0	0	12	6
Rough, hilly sections, of poor quality, partly bush, partly open. Situated about four miles from Hampden; distance from Dunedin about sixty-one miles.													
Taieri ..	Nenthorne ..	17 & 20	III.	887 1 3	0	12	6	554	7	6	0	15	7½
" ..	" ..	23	"	865 0 0	0	12	6	540	12	6	0	15	7½
Open, undulating land, of good pastoral quality, with small portions ploughable; soil light; well watered; altitude from 1,400ft. above sea-level upwards. Situated about ten miles from Middlemarch Railway-station; distance from Dunedin about fifty miles.													
Waitaki ..	Otepopo ..	11	IX.	123 0 19	0	10	0	61	10	0	0	12	6
Open land, of poor quality, broken and hilly; well watered. Situated about four miles from Herbert (Otepopo) Railway-station; distance from Dunedin about sixty miles.													
Lake ..	Shotover ..	51	XIX.	48 2 6	0	10	0	24	10	0	0	12	6
" ..	" ..	54	"	9 0 15	0	10	0	4	10	0	0	12	6
" ..	" ..	66	"	83 0 12	0	10	0	41	10	0	0	12	6
" ..	" ..	78	"	60 3 34	0	10	0	30	10	0	0	12	6
" ..	" ..	79	"	42 1 33	0	10	0	21	0	0	0	12	6
Open land, rough, stony, and very steep, only suitable for grazing. Situated at Arthur's Point, four miles from Queens-town; distance from Dunedin about one hundred and ninety-two miles.													

County.	Survey District.	Section.	Block.	Area.	Cash Price.		Deferred-payment Price.		Perpetual Lease.	
					Per Acre.	Total Price.	Per Acre.	Half-yearly Instalment.	Rent per Acre.	Half-yearly Rent.
Tuapeka ..	Tuapeka West	18	II.	A. R. P. 55 1 28	£ s. d. 0 12 6	£ s. d. 34 7 6	£ s. d. 0 15 7½	£ s. d. 1 10 8	£ s. d. 0 0 7½	£ s. d. 0 17 2
Open land, hilly and rough. Situated about seven miles from Lawrence; distance from Dunedin about sixty-seven miles. Subject to valuation for fencing of £12, payable within fourteen days of granting of application.										
Taieri ..	Mount Hyde..	20	IV.	124 0 26	0 15 0	93 0 0	0 18 9	5 16 3	0 0 9	2 6 6
" ..	" ..	14	V.	309 1 0	0 15 0	231 15 0	0 18 9	14 9 8	0 0 9	5 16 0
Open, ridgy, pastoral land of medium quality, situate near Hindon Township, about twelve miles from Outram Railway-station; distance from Dunedin, thirty-one miles.										
Waihemo	Rockand Pillar	1	XI.	178 1 26	0 15 0	133 10 0	0 18 9	8 6 2	0 0 9	3 6 9
" ..	" ..	2	"	186 1 24	0 15 0	139 5 0	0 18 9	8 14 5	0 0 9	3 10 0
Rough, poor sections, situated about three miles from Hyde Township; distance from Dunedin seventy-eight miles. Section 1, subject to valuation for house, fencing, sheep-yards, and cultivation, £205; Section 2, to valuation for fencing and cultivation, £92 15s.; payable within fourteen days of granting of application.										

J. P. MAITLAND,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Rural Lands open for Sale or Selection, Otago Land District.

Crown Lands Office, Dunedin, 22nd October, 1891.

THE under-mentioned Crown lands will be open for sale or selection, in terms of sections 3 to 11 of "The Land Act Amendment Act, 1887," either for cash, on deferred payments, or for perpetual lease, at the option of the selector, on and after Wednesday, the 9th December, 1891. In cases where more than one application is received for the same section, priority of choice will be decided by lot on the following day, at 11 a.m., at the Crown Lands Office, Dunedin:—

OTAGO LAND DISTRICT.

County.	Survey District.	Section.	Block.	Area.	Cash Price.		Deferred-payment Price.		Perpetual Lease.	
					Per Acre.	Total Price.	Per Acre.	Half-yearly Instalment.	Rent per Acre.	Half-yearly Rent.

SECOND-CLASS SURVEYED LAND.

Maniototo County.—Maniototo and Gimmerburn Survey Districts.

County.	Survey District.	Section.	Block.	Area.	A. R. P.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Maniototo	Gimmerburn ..	12A	II.	348 3 1	0 12 6	218 2 6	0 15 7½	13 12 7	0 0 7½	5 9 1	
"	" ..	13	"	275 3 0	0 15 0	207 0 0	0 18 9	12 19 3	0 0 9	5 3 6	
"	" ..	14	"	317 3 8	0 15 0	238 10 0	0 18 9	14 18 9	0 0 9	5 19 3	
"	" ..	16	"	220 2 38	0 12 6	138 2 6	0 15 7½	8 12 8	0 0 7½	3 9 1	
"	" ..	17	"	292 2 22	0 15 0	219 15 0	0 18 9	13 14 8	0 0 9	5 10 0	
"	" ..	1	VII.	308 2 23	0 12 6	193 2 6	0 15 7½	12 1 8	0 0 7½	4 16 7	
"	" ..	2	"	382 1 16	0 12 6	238 15 0	0 15 7½	14 18 5	0 0 7½	5 19 4	
"	" ..	3	"	434 1 0	0 15 0	325 10 0	0 18 9	20 6 10	0 0 9	8 2 9	

Open agricultural sections, level and undulating, soil from fair to good, but dry; all watered except Section 16, Block II., and Section 1, Block VII. Altitude from 1,400ft. to 1,650ft. above sea-level; situated from eleven to twelve miles by road from Naseby; distance from Dunedin, 104 miles.

Maniototo	Maniototo ..	2	I.	244 0 0	0 15 0	183 0 0	0 18 9	11 8 9	0 0 9	4 11 6
"	" ..	4	"	225 1 20	0 15 0	168 15 0	0 18 9	10 10 11	0 0 9	4 4 4
"	" ..	6	"	239 1 25	0 15 0	179 5 0	0 18 9	11 4 0	0 0 9	4 9 7
"	" ..	7	"	198 2 4	0 15 0	149 5 0	0 18 9	9 6 7	0 0 9	3 14 8
"	" ..	8	"	474 1 36	0 15 0	355 10 0	0 18 9	22 4 4	0 0 9	8 17 9
"	" ..	9	"	253 0 23	0 15 0	189 15 0	0 18 9	11 17 2	0 0 9	4 14 11
"	" ..	10	"	319 2 22	0 15 0	240 0 0	0 18 9	15 0 0	0 0 9	6 0 0
"	" ..	16	"	244 3 3	0 12 6	153 2 6	0 15 7½	9 16 8	0 0 7½	3 16 7
"	" ..	17	"	300 0 37	0 15 0	225 0 0	0 18 9	14 1 3	0 0 9	5 12 6
"	" ..	18	"	317 3 35	0 15 0	238 10 0	0 18 9	14 18 2	0 0 9	5 19 3
"	" ..	19	"	306 3 14	0 15 0	230 5 0	0 18 9	14 7 10	0 0 9	5 15 2

Open agricultural land; Sections 2, 4, and 6 to 10 level, remainder undulating, soil fairly good; all watered except Sections 16 and 17. Altitude from 1,550ft. to 1,750ft. above sea-level. Situated from six to nine miles from Naseby; distance from Dunedin 100 miles.

Maniototo	Maniototo ..	12	V.	405 0 22	0 15 0	303 15 0	0 18 9	18 19 8	0 0 9	7 11 11
"	" ..	13	"	395 3 0	0 17 6	346 10 0	1 1 10½	21 13 2	0 0 10½	8 13 3
"	" ..	14	"	378 3 22	0 17 6	331 12 6	1 1 10½	20 14 6	0 0 10½	8 5 10
"	" ..	15	"	559 1 0	0 10 0	279 10 0	0 12 6	17 2 4	0 0 6	6 19 9
"	" ..	16	"	531 1 17	0 12 6	331 17 6	0 15 7½	20 14 10	0 0 7½	8 6 0
"	" ..	17	"	402 2 24	0 12 6	251 17 6	0 15 7½	15 14 10	0 0 7½	6 6 0
"	" ..	18	"	526 3 30	0 12 6	329 7 6	0 15 7½	20 11 8	0 0 7½	8 4 8
"	" ..	20	"	313 1 3	0 17 6	273 17 6	1 1 10½	17 1 4	0 0 10½	6 16 11
"	" ..	22	"	124 3 15	0 15 0	93 15 0	0 18 9	5 17 2	0 0 9	2 6 11

Open agricultural land, all level, except Sections 20 and 22, which are undulating, soil fair, except Sections 15 to 18, which are gravelly in parts; Sections 13, 14, 20, and 22 are well watered, the remainder indifferently so. Altitude from 1,300ft. to 1,500ft. above sea-level. Situated from nine to twelve miles from Naseby; distance from Dunedin 104 miles. Section 22 is subject to £40 valuation for improvements, to be paid within fourteen days after application granted.

Maniototo | Maniototo .. | 11 | IX. | 259 1 26 | 0 15 0 | 194 5 0 | 0 18 9 | 8 13 6 | 0 0 9 | 4 17 2
Open level land, of medium quality, soil light and shingly; fairly watered in ordinary seasons. Situated about fifteen miles south of Naseby; distance from Dunedin about ninety-two miles. Subject to valuation for house, outbuildings, fencing, &c., £39½ 5s., payable within fourteen days from granting of application.

Maniototo	Maniototo ..	16	IX.	544 2 22	0 10 0	272 10 0	0 12 6	17 0 7	0 0 6	6 16 3
"	" ..	17	"	618 3 23	0 12 6	386 17 6	0 15 7½	24 4 3	0 0 7½	9 13 5
"	" ..	18	"	478 2 22	0 12 6	299 7 6	0 15 7½	18 14 2	0 0 7½	7 9 8

Open, level, agricultural land; Section 16, soil shingly; Sections 17 and 18, soil light and dry; the two latter sections are also not watered. Altitude 1,300ft. above sea-level. Situated about fourteen miles from Naseby; distance from Dunedin 106 miles.

J. P. MAITLAND,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Land Sale, Hawke's Bay District.

Lands and Survey Office,
Napier, 16th November, 1891.

NOTICE is hereby given that the sections enumerated in the Schedule hereunder will be offered for sale by public auction, at the Crown Lands Office, Napier, on Monday, the 21st December, 1891, at 11 a.m.

SCHEDULE.
FOR CASH.

Section.	Block.	District.	Area.	Upset Price.
1	IX.	Moeangiangi ..	A. R. P.	£ s. d.
14, 15*	V.	Ruataniwha ..	46 0 0	28 15 0
			14 1 8	17 10 0

* Weighted with £78 for improvements.

Section 1, Block IX., Moeangiangi, is all open fairly level country covered with manuka and fern, with very light and rather poor soil. The land is on the banks of the Waikare River, about eight miles from Mohaka Post-office.

Conditions of Sale: One-fifth of the purchase-money to be paid on the fall of the hammer, the balance, with £1 Crown-grant fee, within thirty days from date of sale.

FOR LEASE FOR SEVEN YEARS.

Portion of Makaretu Forest Reserve; area, 1,000 acres; upset rent, £75.

Broken country for the most part, but there are some fine slopes and almost level country with very fair soil. About 600 acres have been sown with cocksfoot grass, which is looking very well and thriving. A further area of about 300 acres might be sown without any bush-felling or clearing being necessary. The land is five miles from Ashley-Clinton.

Conditions of sale: Half a year's rent and £1 1s. lease-fee must be paid by the successful bidder at the close of the auction.

Plans and particulars can be seen at the post-offices, Ashley-Clinton, Ongaonga, Mohaka, and Wairoa. For further information apply to the Crown Lands Office, Napier.

THOS. HUMPHRIES,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Native Land Court Notices.

Sitting of Court further adjourned.

IN THE NATIVE LAND COURT,
NEW ZEALAND.

NOTICE is hereby given that the sitting of the Native Land Court at Tokaanu, Taupo, which was adjourned to the 14th day of January, 1892, has been further adjourned to the 3rd day of February, 1892.

Dated this 16th day of November, 1891.

H. G. SETH-SMITH,
Chief Judge.

Application for Probate.

Native Land Court Office,
Wellington, 12th November, 1891.

In the matter of the will of REWETI TE HIAKAI, of Kaipara, deceased.

APPLICATION having been made by Hirini Reweti Ihaiia Waruhe that probate be granted of the aforesaid will: It is hereby notified that all persons opposing such application must lodge a caveat in manner prescribed within two calendar months after the date of the *Gazette* containing this notice.

W. BRIDSON,
Registrar.

Application for Probate.

Native Land Court Office,
Wellington, 14th November, 1891.

In the matter of the will of RIRIA HORI TAHA, of Greytown North, deceased.

APPLICATION having been made by Rutene Ukiuki that probate be granted of the aforesaid will: It is hereby notified that all persons opposing such application must lodge a caveat in manner prescribed within two calendar months after the date of the *Gazette* containing this notice.

W. BRIDSON,
Registrar.

Application for Probate.

Native Land Court Office,
Wellington, 18th November, 1891.

In the matter of the will of HIRA POHIO, of Canterbury, deceased.

APPLICATION having been made by George Pita Mutu that probate be granted of the aforesaid will:

It is hereby notified that all persons opposing such application must lodge a caveat in manner prescribed within two calendar months after the date of the *Gazette* containing this notice.

W. BRIDSON,
Registrar.

Application for Probate.

Native Land Court Office,
Auckland, 13th November, 1891.

In the matter of the will of WIRIPO, of Hokianga, deceased.

APPLICATION having been made by Poroki and Hoani te Uruti that probate be granted of the aforesaid will:

It is hereby notified that any person desiring to oppose such application must lodge a caveat at this office in manner prescribed within two months after the date of the *Gazette* containing this notice.

H. F. EDGER,
Registrar.

Application for Probate.

Native Land Court Office,
Auckland, 13th November, 1891.

In the matter of the will of TE HEMARA TAUIA, of Puhoi, Auckland, deceased.

APPLICATION having been made by William Swanson, jun., that probate be granted of the aforesaid will:

It is hereby notified that any person desiring to oppose such application must lodge a caveat at this office in manner prescribed within two calendar months after the date of the *Gazette* containing this notice.

H. F. EDGER,
Registrar.

Application for Probate.

Native Land Court Office,
Auckland, 13th November, 1891.

In the matter of the will of KEREIHI TAONUI, of Aratapu, Kaipara, deceased.

APPLICATION having been made by Reupena Waitai that probate be granted of the aforesaid will:

It is hereby notified that any person desiring to oppose such application must lodge a caveat at this office in manner prescribed within two calendar months after the date of the *Gazette* containing this notice.

H. F. EDGER,
Registrar.

Application for Probate.

Native Land Court Office,
Auckland, 13th November, 1891.

In the matter of the will of APERAHAMA TAONUI, of Aratapu, Kaipara, deceased.

APPLICATION having been made by Reupena Waitai that probate be granted of the aforesaid will:

It is hereby notified that any person desiring to oppose such application must lodge a caveat at this office in manner prescribed within two calendar months after the date of the *Gazette* containing this notice.

H. F. EDGER,
Registrar.

"The Native Land Court Act, 1886," and its Amendments.

Native Land Court Office,
Whanganui, 14th November, 1891.

NOTICE is hereby given that at a sitting of the Native Land Court, to be held at New Plymouth, on the 1st day of December, 1891, the Court will, in pursuance of an Order in Council dated the 6th day of October, 1891, and by an Order in Council dated the 6th day of November, 1891, proceed to inquire and determine to what persons and in what relative proportions the piece of land containing 300 acres, and known as Ngakorako or No. 3 Block II., Ngati-maru Survey District, ought to be conveyed, and what restrictions, if any, shall be placed upon the said piece of land.

G. W. WOON,
Registrar.

Appointment and Removal of Trustee.

Native Land Court Office,
Whanganui, 14th November, 1891.

NOTICE is hereby given that at a sitting of the Court to be held at New Plymouth, on the 1st day of December, 1891, will be heard the application of the person named in the first column of the Schedule hereto, under the provisions of "The Maori Real Estate Management Act, 1888," for the removal of the person whose name appears in the second column of the said Schedule from his office as Trustee, and for the appointment of a new Trustee, in respect of the land mentioned in the third column of the said Schedule.

G. W. WOON,
Registrar.

SCHEDULE.

Name of Applicant.	Name of present Trustee.	Name of Land.
Mihi Oriwia Rahera	George Stockman	Ngatirahiri No. 4.

Application for Rehearing

Native Land Court Office,
Gisborne, 6th November, 1891.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Chief Judge, of the Native Land Court, will, with an Assessor, attend at Hastings, on Tuesday, the 15th day of December, 1891, and then and there inquire into and determine upon the applications for rehearing theretofore made, set out in the Schedule hereto, relating to the decision of the Court mentioned in the said Schedule. All persons interested in the said applications are required to attend at the time and place aforesaid.

JOHN BROOKING,
Registrar.

SCHEDULE.

APPLICATION made by Te Rina Mate relating to a decision made on the 10th day of March, 1885, declaring the Native owners of Mangaohane and Mangaohane No. 1 Blocks.

Application made by Ema Retimana, Rena Maikuku, and others, relating to a decision made on the 10th day of March, 1885, declaring the Native owners of the Mangaohane and Mangaohane No. 1 Blocks.

Notice under "The Native Lands Frauds Prevention Act 1881 Amendment Act, 1888."

Native Land Court Office, Wellington, 17th November, 1891.

I, HUGH GARDEN SETH-SMITH, Chief Judge of the Native Land Court, do hereby, in compliance with the duty imposed upon me by "The Native Lands Frauds Prevention Act 1881 Amendment Act, 1888," give notice that the lands mentioned in the first column of the Schedule hereto became owned within the meaning of the said Act on the days mentioned in the second column of the said Schedule.

And, further, that dealings with the said lands, apart from any other restriction upon alienation to which the same may be subject, ceased to be prohibited by the provisions of the said Act on the days mentioned in the third column of the said Schedule.

H. G. SETH-SMITH,
Chief Judge.

SCHEDULE.

Name by which the Land is known.	Date when Land became owned within meaning of said Act.	Date when Land ceases to be prohibited.
Subsection 13 of Section 153, Sandon	26th October, 1891	5th December, 1891.
" 14	"	"
" 15	"	"
" 16	"	"
" 17	"	"
" 18	"	"
" 19	"	"
" 2 and 3	"	"
" 8	"	"
" 11	"	"
" 20	"	"
" 21	"	"
" 22	"	"
" 23	"	"
" 24	"	"

Population of the Colony.

RETURN of the Estimated Population (exclusive and inclusive of Maoris) of the Colony of New Zealand on the 30th September, 1891.

	Males.	Females.	Total.
Estimated population (exclusive of Maoris) on 30th June, 1891 ..	332,591	294,389	626,980
Increase during the Quarter ended 30th September, 1891,—			
By excess of births over deaths ..	1,496	1,665	3,161
Less excess of departures over arrivals ..	793	255	1,048
	703	1,410	2,113
Estimated population (exclusive of Maoris) on 30th September, 1891 ..	333,294	295,799	629,093
Maori population, Census, March, 1891*	22,633	18,890	41,523
Total estimated population on 30th September, 1891	355,927	314,689	670,616

* Subject to further revision.

Registrar-General's Office,
Wellington, 16th November, 1891.

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

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, 1885," unless caveat be lodged forbidding the same in each case on or before the 19th day of December, 1891.

JOHN BEATTIE.—Lot 50 of Allotments 3 and 4, Section 5, Suburbs of Auckland, containing 12 perches. In the occupation of Applicant. 2934.

ALFRED OSBORNE KNIGHT.—Lots 30A and 31 of Allotment 34, Parish of Titirangi, containing 2 acres 1 rood 28 perches. In the occupation of tenant. 2939.

JOHN JAMES KER.—Lots 13, 14, 27, and 28 of part of Allotment 11, Section 2, Parish of Takapuna, containing 2 roods 30 perches. In the occupation of Applicant and tenant. 2941.

Diagrams may be inspected at this office.

Dated this 14th day of November, 1891, at the Lands Registry Office, Auckland.

THEO. KISSLING,
District Land Registrar.

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NOTICE is hereby given that the parcel of land hereinafter described will be brought under the provisions of "The Land Transfer Act, 1885," unless caveat be lodged forbidding the same within one calendar month from the date of publication hereof.

Part of Section 8, Block VI., Town District.—CHRISTINA BUCHANAN CARROLL (as Administratrix of the Estate of MARGARET ROBERTSON, deceased), the said CHRISTINA BUCHANAN CARROLL, ANN McMORRAN, MARGARET JULIUS, CATHERINE PITTAWAY, JANE SHEEN, THOMAS CARROLL, THOMAS McMORRAN, FRANZ JULIUS, WILLIAM PITTAWAY, and JOHN SHEEN, Applicants. Occupied by Messrs. Towser and Kinard. No. 3972.

Diagrams may be inspected at this office.

Dated this 12th day of November, 1891, at the Lands Registry Office, Dunedin.

H. TURTON,
District Land Registrar.

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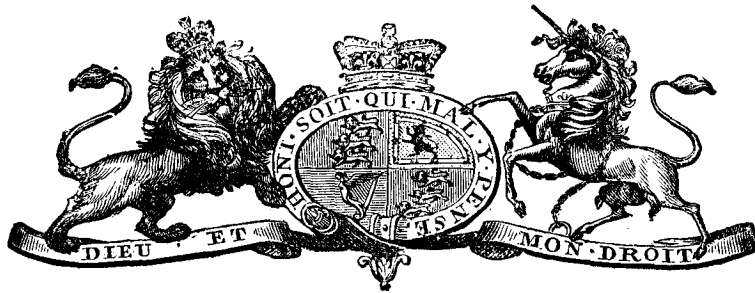
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Regulations for Examination of Masters and Mates.

Marine Department,
Wellington, 23rd November, 1891.

IN pursuance and exercise of the powers vested in me by the 24th and 25th sections of "The Shipping and Seamen's Act, 1877," I do hereby make the following Regulations for the conduct of Examinations of Masters and Mates, and as to the qualifications of applicants; and direct that the fees specified therein shall be paid to the Collectors of Customs at the ports where the applications are made. These regulations shall come into force on the first day of February next, and shall then supersede any rules or regulations heretofore existing and affecting such examinations, qualifications, and fees.

JOHN MCKENZIE,
For the Minister having charge of the
Marine Department.

PRELIMINARY.

1. Under the provisions of "The Shipping and Seamen's Act, 1877," no Foreign-going Ship* or Home Trade Passenger Ship* can legally proceed to sea from any port in the colony unless the Master thereof, and, in the case of a Foreign-going Ship, the First and Second Mates, or Only Mate (as the case may be), and, in the case of a Home Trade Passenger Ship, the First or Only Mate (as the case may be), have obtained and possess valid Certificates either of Competency or Service, appropriate to their

several stations in such ship or of a higher grade; and no such ship, if of 100 tons register or upwards, can legally proceed to sea unless at least one officer besides the Master has obtained and possesses a valid Certificate, appropriate to the grade of Only Mate therein or to a higher grade; and every person who, having been engaged to serve as Master, or as First or Second or Only Mate of any Foreign-going Ship, or as Master or First or Only Mate of a Home Trade Passenger Ship, goes to sea as such Master or Mate without being at the time entitled to and possessed of such a certificate as the Act requires, or who employs any persons as Master, or First, Second, or Only Mate of any Foreign-going Ship, or as Master or First or Only Mate of any Home Trade Passenger Ship, without ascertaining that he is at the time entitled to and possessed of such certificate, for each offence incurs a penalty not exceeding fifty pounds.

2. Every Certificate of Competency for a Foreign-going Ship is to be deemed to be of a higher grade than the corresponding Certificate for a Home Trade Passenger Ship, and entitles the lawful holder to go to sea in the corresponding grade in such last-mentioned ship; but no Certificate for a Home Trade Passenger Ship entitles the holder to go to sea as Master or Mate of a Foreign-going Ship.

3. Certificates of Competency will be granted to those persons who pass the requisite examinations, and otherwise comply with the requisite conditions. For this purpose Examiners have been appointed, and arrangements have been made for holding examinations.

4. Candidates for examination must make their application upon the appropriate form (Exn. 2), which must be filled up at a Mercantile Marine Office (Custom House). The Exn. 2 properly filled in, together with the Candidate's testimonials and

* By a Home Trade Passenger Ship is meant one which is employed in carrying passengers on the coasts of New Zealand, but not to or from the Chatham Islands, the Auckland Islands, or Campbell Island. By a Foreign-going Ship is meant every ship not included in the term Home Trade Ship.

discharges, must be lodged with the Superintendent of the Mercantile Marine Office, not later than the day before the day of examination, and the Candidate must conform to any regulations in this respect which may be laid down by the Marine Department, as, if this be not done, delay may be occasioned.

5. Testimonials of character, and of sobriety, experience, ability, and good conduct on board ship, for at least the twelve months of service immediately preceding the date of application to be examined, will be required of all Applicants, and without producing them no person will be examined.

6. The testimonials of servitude of Foreigners and of British Seamen serving in foreign vessels, which cannot be verified, must be confirmed either by the Consul of the country to which the ship in which the Candidate served belonged or by some other recognised official authority of that country, or by the testimony of some credible person on the spot having personal knowledge of the facts required to be established. The production, however, of such proofs will not of necessity be deemed sufficient. Each case will be decided on its own merits, and, if the sufficiency of the proofs given appears to be at all doubtful, it must be referred to the Marine Department.

7. Should any doubt exist as to the age of a Candidate, he will be required to produce a certificate of birth.

8. Foreigners must prove to the satisfaction of the Examiners that they can speak and write the English language sufficiently well to perform the duties required of them on board a British vessel.

9. Statement of services in ships over eighty tons, of which the agreements with the crews have been entered into in New Zealand, can be verified by the Superintendents of Mercantile Marine Offices, and may be obtained on application at such offices upon payment of a small fee, the amount of which will be regulated by the amount of service required to be verified. Delay, inconvenience, and disappointment will be avoided by candidates getting this verification beforehand.

10. The time for which length of service as Seaman or Officer in the Mercantile Marine is to be reckoned in all cases referred to in the following paragraphs is to commence at the date when the Articles of Agreement were signed by the Applicant, and to end at the date when he was discharged as shown on the Articles of Agreement. The Certificates of Discharge will generally be sufficient evidence of this, but great care must be exercised by the Superintendent and Examiners to detect any tampering in any way with the information contained in them, and to report to the Marine Department at once any suspicious cases.

11. Services which cannot be verified by proper Entries in the Articles of the ships in which the Candidates have served cannot be counted. For instance, a man will state his service to have been as Second or Only Mate, and to support his assertion will produce a Certificate of Discharge or of employment by the Master, to the effect that he served as Mate, when on reference to the Articles it appears that he has actually been rated as Boat-swain; the service in such a case will not be regarded as having been in the capacity of Mate.

12. Whenever a man has, from any cause, been regularly promoted on a vacancy in the course of the voyage from the rank in which he first shipped, and such promotion, with the ground on which it has been made, is properly entered in the Articles and in the Official Log Book, he will of course receive credit for his service in the higher grade for the period subsequent to his promotion.

13. Service in the coasting trade may be allowed to count as service, in order to qualify a candidate for examination for a Certificate of Competency for Foreign-going Ships; it being understood, however, that service in the coasting trade must amount to half as much again as service in the foreign trade, and that service in a lower grade than that of First or Only Mate in the coasting trade will not be recognised as officer's service.

14. Three years' service as Mate in the coasting trade, together with at least nine months' service as Master, may be allowed to count as service for a Master's Certificate for Foreign-going Ships, provided the Candidate's entire service at sea calculated as above is sufficient, and that his services as Mate and Master in the coasting trade can be proved by the Articles, and provided he has already passed an examination for the *Foreign Trade*, unless, *under special circumstances*, the Marine Department see fit to dispense with this latter provision.

15. Services in Pleasure Yachts of not less than twenty tons register, performed within Home-trade limits, may be accepted towards qualifying a Candidate for examination, provided the Candidate has proof of from six to twelve months' service in an ordinary trading vessel, the amount of the latter service to be determined by the nature and length of the Candidate's experience in Pleasure Yachts. Only service at sea will be allowed to count, and time spent in port will not be accepted. The Candidate must have his sea services verified as far as possible. He must then fill in an application form (Exn. 2) and forward it, filled up in the usual way, to the Marine Department, accompanied by a full and detailed description of all the services claimed (if not officially verified), such as the nature and length of voyages, &c., capacity served in, tonnage of vessels, whether steam or sailing, time actually afloat, time in harbour, &c.; and unless these particulars are forwarded to the Marine Department supported by satisfactory certificates and testimonials no application will be entertained.

16. Service in Pleasure Yachts will not be accepted at all unless verified by satisfactory proofs, and it must be distinctly understood that accepted service is confined to *actual sea service*, service in harbour or port being inadmissible. *See also par. 26.*

17. Time for which Indentures of Apprenticeship are in force will be accepted as sea service, provided that the Apprentice has remained by the ship for at least four-fifths of the time covered by the Indentures, and that the Indentures of the applicant are indorsed by the Owner or Master to whom he has been bound, to the effect that he has performed his service faithfully for the whole time agreed upon.

18. Service as Third or Fourth Mate may be accepted as equivalent to service as Second Mate to qualify a Candidate for examination for a Certificate of Competency as First Mate, provided he is able to produce a satisfactory testimonial from the Master or Owner of the vessel in which the service was performed, showing that he has had charge of a watch while serving as such Third or Fourth Mate, and that during the whole of the time claimed he was in possession of a Second Mate's Certificate of Competency, valid in New Zealand.

19. Service as Third or Fourth Mate may also be accepted on the same conditions to qualify a Candidate for examination for a Master's Certificate of Competency, provided he can produce satisfactory evidence of his having served at sea twelve months as Second Mate of a Foreign-going Ship while in possession of a First Mate's Certificate of Com-

petency, valid in New Zealand. If a Candidate has had no service as First Mate he must have been six and a half years at sea, of which two and a half years must have been as Mate of a lower grade under the above-named conditions. It will also be noted that occasional service in charge of a watch in the daytime will not be accepted as Mate's service under the Regulations.

20. Part of the time served on board a training ship will be allowed to count as service at sea, provided that the Candidate can produce amongst his testimonials a Certificate from the Committee that he has conducted himself creditably, and passed a good examination in seamanship so far as practised in the training ship as well as in other matters down to the time of his leaving the ship.

21. No Candidate will be allowed to be examined for any grade, whether for Extra, Ordinary, Fore and Aft, or Home-trade Passenger Ship Certificate, unless he has served at sea two years within the last six years, and six months within the last three years immediately preceding the date of his application to be examined.

22. A Candidate for an Ordinary Certificate of any grade who does not already hold an Ordinary Certificate of a lower grade must prove that he has served twelve months in a square-rigged sailing vessel within the last five years.

23. Any cases not coming within the conditions of paragraphs 21 and 22 must be submitted for the special consideration of the Marine Department before the Candidate is allowed to be examined.

24. No period of service on board a training ship will be allowed to count for more than one year's sea service, nor can it be accepted as equivalent to service in square-rigged vessels.

25. Service in Auxiliary Screw Whaling Ships and other Vessels with auxiliary steam power, which use their screws only in calms or during light winds, is considered as service performed in Sailing Vessels.

26. Service performed in Trawlers, Yachts, &c., alone will not qualify a Candidate for examination for a Foreign-going Certificate. He must show that he has served, in addition thereto, eighteen months in an ordinary trading vessel.

27. Candidates whose services have been in capacities other than Apprentice, Ordinary Seaman, or Able Seaman, *e.g.*, Cook, Steward, Carpenter, &c., will be required to satisfy the Marine Department or the Examiners that they have a good knowledge of Seamanship. This may possibly be proved by the production of satisfactory Certificates from Masters with whom the Applicants have served. Failing satisfactory evidence, the Applicant may be required to perform additional service, which must be in the capacity of Ordinary Seaman or Able Seaman.

28. Service performed on rivers, no matter of what size, or in smooth or partially smooth water, cannot be accepted.

29. A person who has lost the sight of one eye cannot be allowed to be examined for a Certificate of Competency. If he already holds a Certificate he will not be allowed to be examined for a Certificate of a higher grade. Provided that, in cases in which a special medical certificate is produced showing that the sight of the other eye is satisfactory, the Marine Department may, on application being made, give permission for the Candidate to be examined, provided he is in all other respects qualified under the regulations.

30. Service in Light Ships or in an Engine-room will not be accepted as sea service for a Master's or Mate's Certificate of Competency.

31. In the case of service on board Excursion Steamers only such service as has been performed actually at sea can be accepted.

32. Service as a First-class Pilot may be accepted as qualifying for examination for a Master's Certificate for Home Trade Passenger Ships, notwithstanding that he may not have served in the capacity of Mate, but only provided that his *Sea Services* are sufficient.

33. A First-class Pilot, with one year's Sea Service since he obtained his Pilot's Certificate, may also be examined for a First Mate's Certificate for Foreign-going Ships.

34. Half the amount of service performed as an Apprentice in a Pilot Ship propelled by sails may count as actual Sea Service to qualify for examination for a Certificate of Competency.

35. Service performed in Tug Boats employed outside Port limits may be accepted as Sea Service for qualifying for a Mate's Certificate for Home Trade Passenger Ships.

36. It is provided by "The Shipping and Seamen's Act, 1877" (sec. 32), that every person who makes, or procures to be made, or assists in making, any false representation for the purpose of obtaining for himself or for any other person a Certificate of Competency, shall for each offence be deemed guilty of a misdemeanour,—the punishment for which is imprisonment for any period not exceeding twelve months, with or without hard labour, or a penalty not exceeding one hundred pounds.

37. These provisions will be *strictly enforced* by the Marine Department, and any Candidate for a Certificate of Competency as Master, or as First, or Second, or Only Mate, in the Merchant Service, who shall, knowingly and fraudulently, for the purpose of obtaining any such Certificate, present to the Examiner any "application to be examined for a Certificate of Competency" (Exn. 2), or statutory declaration containing any false or inaccurate statement of service, and any person who shall knowingly and fraudulently make or prepare, or assist in making or preparing any such false or inaccurate statement will be *prosecuted*.

38. Candidates who have neglected to join their vessels after having signed Articles, or who have deserted their vessels after having joined, or who have been found guilty of gross misconduct on board, will be required to produce satisfactory proofs of two years' subsequent service and good conduct at sea, unless the Marine Department, after having investigated the matter, should see fit to reduce the time.

39. If after a Candidate has passed his examination it is discovered on further investigation that his services are insufficient to entitle him to receive a Certificate of the grade for which he has passed, it will not be granted to him; but if the Marine Department is satisfied that the error in the calculation of his services did not occur through any fault or wilful misrepresentation on his part, he will be allowed to go up for re-examination without payment of further fee when he has performed the amount of service in which he was deficient.

40. If in such a case the applicant's services are sufficient to entitle him to receive a Certificate of a lower grade, provided as aforesaid he has not wilfully misrepresented the amount of his services, an Inferior Certificate may be granted to him, and the difference, if any, between the fee paid by him for the Superior Certificate and the fee payable for the Inferior Certificate may be placed to his credit.

41. In such a case, when the applicant has by further service made up the amount in which he was found to be short, he must, before he can receive the higher Certificate, be re-examined in all the subjects.

42. If any Certificate of Competency issued by the Marine Department which has been defaced so as

to become illegible, or has been seriously injured by wear or tear, is presented to a Superintendent of Mercantile Marine in the course of duty, the same should at once be transmitted by the Superintendent to the Secretary of the Marine Department, together with the usual form of application for renewal of Certificate duly filled up, in order that a renewed Certificate may be issued. This will be done free of charge in those cases where it is satisfactorily shown to the Marine Department that due care has been taken of the original. This power will have to be exercised with great discretion by the Superintendents of Mercantile Marine, so as not to interfere with any engagement for sea service which the possessor of the injured Certificate may have entered into.

COLOUR TESTS.

43. The Marine Department has made the following arrangements for the Examination of persons as to their ability to distinguish Colours:—

44. Examinations in Colour are open to any person serving, or about to serve, in the Mercantile Marine.

45. Any person, including the holders of Certificates of Competency, or persons about to apply for Certificates of Competency, if desirous of being examined *in Colours only* must make application to a Superintendent of a Mercantile Marine Office on Form Exn. 2^a, and pay a fee of Two Shillings and Sixpence.

46. He must on the appointed day attend for examination at the Examiner's Office; and, if he passes, he will receive a Certificate to that effect.

47. If he fails it will be open for him to be examined again in Colours as often as he pleases on payment of the fee of Two Shillings and Sixpence at each fresh attempt.

48. The application of a *Candidate who is presenting himself for Examination for a Master's or Mate's Certificate* must be made on Form Exn. 2. Such examination will commence with the Colour test; and if the Candidate does not at the time of making application hold a Certificate of Competency of any grade, and should fail to pass the Colour test he will not be allowed to proceed with the examination in Navigation and Seamanship.

49. The fee he has paid for Examination for a Certificate of Competency will include the fee for the Colour test, and, with the exception of Two Shillings and Sixpence, will in such event be returned to him.

50. A Candidate for Examination for a Certificate of Competency who at the time of making application does not possess a Certificate, and who fails to pass the Colour test, may not be re-examined until after the lapse of three months from the date of his first failure. If he fails a second time he will be allowed a third trial at the expiration of another three months from the date of his second failure. A fresh fee must be paid at each succeeding examination.

51. It is therefore obviously to the advantage of Candidates for Certificates of Competency to apply in the first instance to be examined *in Colours only* on Form Exn. 2a.

52. A Candidate who holds a Certificate of Competency, and who on presenting himself for examination for a Certificate of a higher grade, is unable to pass the Colour test, will notwithstanding be permitted to proceed with the Examination in Navigation and Seamanship for the Certificate of the higher grade.

53. Should he pass this Examination, the following statement will be written on the face of the higher Certificate which may be granted to him,

viz: "This Officer has failed to pass the 'Examination in Colours.'"

54. Should he ultimately fail to pass the Examination in Navigation and Seamanship a like statement, relating to his being Colour blind, will be made by the Marine Department on his existing Certificate before it is returned to him.

55. Holders of Certificates which bear the statement of their having failed to pass in Colours, and who may desire to have the statement removed from their Certificates, must obtain the special permission of the Marine Department.

QUALIFICATIONS FOR CERTIFICATES OF COMPETENCY FOR A "FOREIGN-GOING SHIP."

56. *Examination in Colours.*—All Candidates for Certificates of Competency must first be examined in colours.

57. A Second Mate must be not less than seventeen years of age, and must have been four years at sea. He must also prove that he has served at least one year in a square-rigged sailing vessel within the last five years. *See also par. 13.*

58. *In Navigation, &c.*—He must write a legible hand, and will be required to give in writing definitions of various astronomical and other terms used in navigation. He must have a competent knowledge of the first five rules of arithmetic, and the use of logarithms. He must be able to work a day's work complete, correcting the courses for deviation, leeway, and variation. He will be required to find the latitude by meridian altitude of the sun, and the difference of longitude from a given departure by parallel sailing; also to find the course and distance from one position to another by Mercator's method. He will be required to find the time of high water at a given port, to observe and calculate the amplitude of the sun, and to find the error of the ship's compass therefrom, and also the deviation, the variation being given. He must be able to find the daily rate of the chronometer from error observed, and to find the longitude from altitude of the sun by the usual methods. He must understand the use of the sextant, with its adjustments, and be able to observe with it, find the index error by the horizon, and read *off* and *on* the arc. He must also pass a satisfactory examination in the International Code of Signals.

59. *In Seamanship, &c.*—He must give satisfactory answers as to the standing and running rigging of ships, as to bending, unbending, setting, reefing, taking in and furling sail; as to sending masts and yards up and down, &c., &c.; as to seeing everything in readiness and clear for getting under way and (in steamers) as to the precautions to be observed with regard to engines, propeller, &c.; as to the management of both a steamer and a sailing ship when under canvas; of a ship's boat in heavy weather; and as to dunnaging and stowing cargo, &c. He must have a thorough knowledge of the rule of the road as regards both steamers and sailing vessels, their regulation lights, and fog and sound signals, and be able to describe the signals of distress, and the signals to be made by ships wanting a pilot, and the liabilities and penalties incurred by the misuse of these signals. He must be able to mark and use the lead and log lines. He must also understand the construction, use, and action of the sluices and of the water-ballast tanks, engine-room telegraph, &c. He must also understand the use and management of the rocket apparatus in the event of his vessel being stranded, and other questions of a like nature, appertaining to the duties of the Second Mate of a ship, which the Examiner may think necessary to put to him.

60. *An Only and First Mate.*—An Only Mate and a First Mate must be not less than nineteen years of age, and must have served five years at sea within the last seven years, of which, in the case of a First Mate, one year must have been as Second or Only Mate. An Only Mate must prove that he has served at least one year in a square-rigged sailing vessel. *See also pars. 13, 18, and 33.*

61. *In Navigation.*—In addition to the qualifications required for a Second Mate, an Only and First Mate must be able to find the true bearing of the sun and the error of the ship's compass from an observed azimuth of the sun, both from an altitude and also from the "Time Azimuth Tables," and with the variation given compute the deviation; to find the latitude from a single altitude of the sun off the meridian, and be able to use and adjust the sextant, and to find the index error by the sun; also to ascertain the true bearing of the sun, &c., and the ship's position, by Sumner's method by projection. He must also be conversant with the use of Mercator's Chart, and be able to find, on either a "true" or "magnetic" chart, the course to steer and the distance from one given position to another; and find the ship's position on the chart from cross bearings of two objects; from two bearings of the same object, the course and distance run between taking the bearings being given; and the distance of ship from the object at the time of taking the second bearing. He must also understand how to keep a ship's Log Book. He will also be required to answer certain questions, in writing (*and orally*), relative to cyclones or revolving storms.

62. *In Seamanship, &c.*—In addition to the qualifications required for a Second Mate, a more extensive knowledge of seamanship will be required, as to shifting large spars, rigging shears, taking lower masts in and out, how to moor and unmoor ships, and to keep a clear anchor; to carry out an anchor; how to manage both a steam- and sailing-ship in stormy weather; how to cast a ship on a lee shore; how to secure the masts in the event of accident to the bowsprit; and how to rig purchases for getting heavy weights, anchors, machinery, &c., in and out. He must give satisfactory answers as to the ventilation of holds and the stowage of explosives. He must be able to describe the effects of the screw-race upon the rudder, and the effect produced on the direction of the head of the ship by going [ahead] [astern] with a [right-] [left-] handed screw when the rudder is [ported] [starboarded]. He must also know how to rig a sea anchor, and what means to apply to keep a vessel disabled or unmanageable out of the trough of the sea, and lessen her lee drift. How to get cast of deep sea lead in heavy weather; and answer any other questions appertaining to the duties of an Only and First Mate of a ship which the Examiner may think necessary to put to him.

63. *A Master* must be twenty-one years of age, and have been six years at sea, of which one year must have been as First or Only Mate in a Foreign-going Ship, and one year as Second or Only Mate; or he must have been six and a half years at sea, of which two and a half years must have been as Second Mate of a Foreign-going Ship, during the last twelve months of which service as Second Mate he must have been in possession of a First Mate's Certificate. He must also prove that he has served at least one year in a square-rigged sailing vessel in the capacity of either Apprentice, Seaman, Mate, or Master. *Vide also pars 13, 14, and 19.*

If the service with a First Mate's Certificate

dates further back than three years the Candidate's case must be specially considered by the Marine Department.

64. *In Navigation.*—In addition to the qualifications required for a Second, Only, and First Mate, a Master must be able to compute the latitude from the meridian altitude of a star, &c. He must be able to find the magnetic bearing from equidistant compass bearings of any fixed object when at sea, and compute the deviation therefrom. He must construct a deviation curve upon a "Napier's" diagram which will be furnished by the Examiner, and understand the practical application of the same, and give satisfactory written (*and oral*) answers to certain practical questions on the effect of the ship's iron upon the compasses, the method of determining the deviation, and compensating same by magnets and soft iron. He will be required to prove by the "Deviascope" (1) his knowledge of the laws of deviation and the tentative method of compass adjustment (this proof will take the place of the written answers and sketches illustrative of the question 19 of Form Exn. 7); (2) that he understands the practical application of the answers given by him to any of the other questions on Form Exn. 7 that the Examiner in the course of the examination may think fit to touch upon. He will be required to find the course to steer by compass in order to counteract the effect of a given current, and find the distance the ship will make good towards a given point in a certain time, and to work out practically the correction to apply to soundings taken at a given time and place to compare with the depth marked on the chart.

65. *In Seamanship, &c.*—In addition to the qualifications required of a Second, Only, and First Mate, he must be able to construct jury rudders for wood and iron vessels, both steam (screw) and sailing, and also rafts. He will be examined as to his resources for the preservation of the ship's crew in the event of wreck; as to the management of ships in heavy weather; as to rescuing the crew of a disabled ship; as to steps to be taken when a ship is on her beam ends, or in any danger or difficulty; or if disabled or unmanageable and on a lee shore; heaving a keel out, &c. How to use steam appliances in the event of fire, and the best arrangement for towing vessels under different circumstances. He must explain the mode of procedure when placing ship in dry dock, directing repairs, and if putting into port in distress with damage to cargo and ship. He must possess a sufficient knowledge of what he is required to do by law, as to entry and discharge, and the management of his crew, and as to penalties, and entries to be made in the official log, and a knowledge of the measures for preventing and checking the outbreak of scurvy on board ship, and the law as to load line marks, and the entries and reports to be made respecting them. He will be questioned as to his knowledge of invoices, charter party, bills of lading, Lloyd's agent, and as to the nature of bottomry, also bills of exchange, surveys, averages, &c.; and must answer any other questions of a like nature appertaining to the management of a ship which the Examiner may consider it necessary to touch upon.

CERTIFICATES FOR FORE-AND-AFT-RIGGED VESSELS.

66. Certificates for the grades of Master, First Mate, Only Mate, and Second Mate, on which the words "for Fore-and-aft-rigged vessels only" will be written, will be issued to candidates who have not complied with the regulation which requires them to have served at least one year in square-

rigged *sailing* vessels, or who prove in course of examination that they are ignorant of the management of square-rigged ships.

67. A certificate "for Fore - and - aft - rigged vessels only" will not entitle the possessor to act in a capacity for which a certificate is required in square-rigged vessels, amongst which are classed full-rigged ships, barques, brig, barquentines, brigantines, and steamships carrying square sails.

68. A Candidate possessing a certificate "for Fore-and-aft-rigged vessels only," and desiring to obtain an ordinary certificate of the same grade, must prove that he has served at sea at least one year in a square-rigged *sailing* vessel, and will be re-examined both in navigation and seamanship.

EXAMINATIONS FOR EXTRA AND HONORARY CERTIFICATES.

69. An Extra Master's Examination is voluntary and intended for such persons as wish to prove their superior qualifications, and are desirous of having certificates for the highest grade granted by the Marine Department.

70. The Extra Examination may take place at the time the applicant goes up for an Ordinary Master's Certificate, or at any time subsequent to his having passed as Master Ordinary.

71. A candidate for an Extra Certificate who may only be in possession of a Master's Certificate of Service must pass for Ordinary Master before or at the time he is examined for the Extra Certificate.

72. A Candidate who passes the Extra Examination will be entitled to receive his Extra Certificate at once, without reference to the time he has been afloat, and without being required to have served two years as Master, as heretofore.

73. *In Navigation.*—In addition to the qualifications required for an Ordinary Master's Certificate, the Candidate will be required to work a lunar observation by either sun, star, or planet; to compute the altitudes for the same when they are not given; to determine the latitude by the meridian altitude of the moon, and by an altitude of the Polar star at any time. He will be required to find the latitude by double altitudes of the sun, or of a star, and to verify the result by Sumner's method. He must find the error of a watch or chronometer from equal altitudes of the sun, and must be able to correct altitudes observed by means of an artificial horizon. He will be required to show a thorough knowledge of the laws of the deviation of the compasses in iron ships. He will be required to prove by the "deviascope" (1) his knowledge of the tentative method of compass adjustment; (2) that he really possesses a good knowledge of what he has written, by showing that he is acquainted with the practical application of the answers given by him to any of the questions in the Compass Deviation Syllabus that the Examiner in the course of the examination may think proper to touch upon. He must be acquainted with the leading principles of the construction of the sextant and of the "vernier." He must explain the nature of great circle sailing, and show how to apply practically that knowledge; and must have a more extensive knowledge of the subject of the law of storms than that required of the Master Ordinary.

74. *In Seamanship, &c.*—In addition to the qualifications required of an Ordinary Master, the Extra Master will be expected to give satisfactory answers to any questions in practical seamanship that the Examiners may think proper to put to him; and to show a more extensive knowledge

and aptness in the Civil Duties of a shipmaster than would be expected from a Candidate for an Ordinary Master's Certificate.

QUALIFICATIONS FOR CERTIFICATES OF COMPETENCY FOR A "HOME TRADE PASSENGER SHIP."

75. All Candidates for Certificates of Competency must first be examined in colours.

76. A Mate must be nineteen years of age, and have served four years at sea.

77. *In Navigation, &c.*—He must write a legible hand, and understand the first five rules of arithmetic, both simple and compound. He must be able to take a bearing by compass, and be conversant with the use of Mercator's chart, and be able to find, on either a "true" or "magnetic" chart, the course to steer, and the distance from one given position to another; to find the ship's position on the chart from cross bearings of two objects; from two bearings of the same object, the course and distance run between taking the bearings being given; and the distance of the ship from the object at the time of taking the second bearing.

78. He must also pass an examination in the International Code of Signals.

79. *In Seamanship, &c.*—He must possess a thorough knowledge of the rule of the road as regards both steamers and sailing vessels, their regulation lights, and fog and sound signals. He must be able to describe the signals of distress, and the signals to be made by ships wanting a pilot, and the liabilities and penalties incurred by the misuse of these signals; also the use and management of the rocket apparatus in the event of his vessel being stranded. He must be able to mark and use the lead and log-lines, to moor and unmoor a vessel, and to manage a ship's boat in heavy weather, &c., &c. He must also understand the construction, use, and action of the bulkhead sluices, the engine-room telegraph, &c., and to answer any other questions of a like nature appertaining to the duties of the Mate of a Home Trade Passenger Vessel which the Examiner may think proper to put to him.

80. A Master must be twenty years of age, and have served five years at sea, of which one year must have been as First or Only Mate in the Home or Foreign Trade, during which service he must have been in possession of a Mate's Certificate for Home Trade Passenger ships or of a First or Only Mate's Certificate for Foreign-going Ships. *Vide also par. 32.*

81. *In Navigation, &c.*—In addition to the qualifications required of a Mate of a Home Trade Passenger Ship, a Master will be required to find on a chart the course to steer by compass in order to counteract the effect of a given current, and to find the distance the ship will make good towards a given point in a certain time, and to *work out practically* the correction to apply to soundings taken at a given time and place, to compare with the depth marked on the chart, &c. He will also be required to understand the use of the quadrant, to be able to observe with it, to read *off* and *on* the arc, and to find the index error by the horizon. He will also be required to find the latitude by a meridian altitude of the sun, and to give written answers to certain practical questions on the subject of the deviation of the compass.

82. *In Seamanship, &c.*—In addition to the qualifications required of a Mate of a Home Trade Passenger Ship, a Master must understand how to rig a sea anchor, and what means to apply to keep a steamer with machinery disabled out of the trough of the sea, &c. How to get a cast of the lead in

heavy weather, &c. He will be examined as to his resources for the preservation of the crew and passengers in the event of wreck, and the steps to be taken if his vessel is disabled and drifting towards a lee shore, and will be required to answer any other questions appertaining to the management of a Home Trade Passenger Vessel which the Examiner may think necessary to put to him.

VOLUNTARY EXAMINATION IN THE LAWS OF THE DEVIATION OF THE COMPASSES OF IRON SHIPS.

83. Any Master or Mate who wishes to pass a *voluntary* examination in the Syllabus of examination on the Laws of the Deviation of the Compasses of an Iron Ship, &c., can at any time be examined upon filling up the usual form of application, and the payment to the Superintendent of the Mercantile Marine Office of the usual fee of one pound. He will be required to prove by the "deviascope" (1) his knowledge of the tentative method of compass adjustment; (2) that he really possesses a good knowledge of what he has written, by showing that he is acquainted with the practical application of the answers given by him to any of the questions in the Compass Deviation Syllabus that the Examiner in the course of the examination may think proper to touch upon. If the Candidate passes the examination successfully, an indorsement to that effect will be duly made upon the Master's or Mate's Certificate held by him.

FAILURE.

84. In all cases of failure, the Candidate must be examined *de novo*. If a Candidate fails in *Seamanship*, he will not be re-examined *until after a lapse of six months*. Whether the whole or part of this period must be served at sea must depend upon the subjects in *Seamanship* in which the Candidate failed; but what amount (if any) of sea service will be required will be left to the discretion of the Examiners, subject, however, to revision by the Marine Department, should they see fit.

85. The Examiner, in making out his Report on Form Exn. 14, should state what amount (if any) of further sea-service the Candidate must perform, and he should also insert this information under Division H in Form Exn. 2.

86. If he fails three times in *Navigation*, he will not be re-examined until after a lapse of **THREE MONTHS** from the date of the *last failure*.

87. If a Candidate has failed in his examination, but the subjects in which he has failed are not included in the subjects required for a Certificate of a lower grade, he may, if he desires it, receive a Certificate of such lower grade.

88. No part, however, of the fee he has paid will be returned to him, and on presenting himself, when entitled for re-examination for the higher grade of Certificate, he will be required to pay a further full fee.

89. If a Candidate fails for bad spelling or writing, he will not be re-examined until after a lapse of at least three months.

FEEES.

90. Candidates for examination, in making their application on Form Exn. 2, will be required to pay the examination fee before any step is taken, whether by inquiring into their services or testing their qualifications, &c. Should it be found that their service is not sufficient to entitle them to be examined, or should their testimonials be unsatisfactory, or should they from any other cause not be examined, no part of the fee will be returned to them, but when they have fulfilled the requisite

service, or are able to produce satisfactory testimonials, as the case may be, they will be allowed to again present themselves for examination for a Certificate of the same grade without paying any further fee.

91. The fee for examination must be paid to the Superintendent of the Mercantile Marine Office in the cash-office. In any case in which a Candidate offers money to any other officer than a Superintendent, and in any place but in the cash-office, the Candidate so offering money will be regarded as having committed an act of misconduct, and will be rejected, and not allowed to be again examined for twelve months either at the port where the offence was committed, or at any other port.

92. If a Candidate fail in his examination *no part of the fee will be returned to him*.

The fees are as follow:—

		£	s.	d.
<i>For "Foreign-going Ships."</i>				
Second Mate	...	1	0	0
First and Only Mate, if previously possessing an inferior Certificate, either granted by the Board of Trade, or by the Government of a British possession	...	0	10	0
If not	...	1	0	0
Master	...	2	0	0
Where a Candidate is in possession of Certificate for Fore-and-aft rigged Vessels, or for an ordinary Certificate of the same grade	...	Half the usual fee.		
Master Extra, if possessing an Ordinary Master's Certificate, first attempt	...	Nil.		
Master Extra, for every subsequent attempt	...	1	0	0*
<i>For "Home Trade Passenger Ships."</i>				
Mate	...	0	10	0
Master	...	1	0	0
<i>For Voluntary Examination in Steam.</i>				
Mate (Only or First)	...	1	0	0
Master	...	1	0	0
<i>For Voluntary Examination in Deviation of the Compass.</i>				
Mate (Second, Only, or First)	...	1	0	0
Master	...	1	0	0

NOTE.—No abatement will be made in the fee charged to a Candidate for a Certificate for Foreign-going Ships in consequence of his possessing a Master's or Mate's Certificate for Home Trade Passenger Ships.

GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS TO EXAMINERS AND CANDIDATES.

93. All instruments necessary for use in the examinations are supplied by the Marine Department.

94. Before commencing the examination, the tables or desks must be cleared of all scraps of paper, or books that are not used in the examination, and care should be taken that the Candidates do not bring into the examination room any book, paper, document, or memoranda of any de-

* If the examination for the Extra Master's Certificate takes place at the same time as the examination for the Ordinary Master's Certificate the usual fee for the Ordinary Certificate must be paid, though no fee will be charged for the extra examination on the first attempt. On all subsequent attempts the fee of one pound will be charged for the extra examination in addition to any further charge which may have been incurred through failure to pass the ordinary examination.

scription whatever. No person whatever should be allowed in the room during the time of examination but those whose duties require them to be present.

95. No instructors will be allowed on the premises.

96. Candidates will under no pretence whatever be allowed to leave the premises while the examination is proceeding. If a Candidate has occasion to visit the retiring-room he will only be allowed to do so on the completion of the paper on which he may be engaged, when he will be required to enter in a book, kept for the purpose, the exact time of his leaving and returning to the examination-room. At ports where only a few Candidates are under examination, two persons will not be allowed to leave the room at the same time.

97. Candidates should be so placed as to prevent one copying from the other, and no communication whatever between the Candidates should be allowed.

98. If any blotting-paper is allowed it should be black; and when the first examination paper is issued, each Candidate should be furnished with a piece which must be returned to the Examiner upon the completion of the last paper.

99. The examination papers should be issued to the Candidates in half sheets only, and one at a time. This will prevent a candidate from spreading out the sheets on the table in an apparently careless manner, but so as to enable his nearest neighbour to look over and copy, or examine the problems. It will also enable the Examiner to look over and report upon the work on one half sheet, while the Candidate is at work upon another, and so on. When the errors are not too numerous, or when they are not from ignorance of the subject, the incorrect problems may be returned to the Candidate for correction, but in no case should the errors be pointed out by the Examiner, neither should any marks be made on the correct work of the problem, which would at once indicate how far or to what extent the work is correct. Should the problems be returned to the Examiner the second time incorrect, this would be a failure; and, as the time allowed is considered ample for working out the papers carefully, this rule is expected to be strictly observed.

100. At those ports where, from the large number of the Candidates, it may sometimes be found impossible to look over the work on the day of examination during the office hours, an hour in the morning on the following day may be allotted for the purpose of correcting the problems, but in no case should a Candidate have his problem returned to him for correction after he has made the second attempt.

101. The paper (Exn. 4a) is only for those candidates who present themselves for examination for the first time. It is intended not only to insure on the part of the Candidate a knowledge of the meaning of a variety of terms of great use to the Navigator respecting which much ignorance exists at present, but, at the same time, to test his handwriting and spelling.

102. In using this paper, the Examiner will place a mark against the numbers of the particular questions which he selects for answers, and not less than ten questions should be selected. The Candidate will then write against the questions so marked his definition of the terms in a clear and legible hand, so as to prevent the possibility of any letter being mistaken. Attention must be paid to the spelling and writing of all grades of Candidates.

The *supplementary viva voce test* should also be applied as usual.

103. In the questions on Deviation of the Compass (Exn. 7) the Examiner should indicate by a mark against at least twelve of the questions for answers, and those indicated must be correctly answered. The selected questions should be varied frequently, and no two Candidates should have precisely the same questions. The Candidate should be furnished with sheets of the blank ruled paper which is supplied for that purpose, with instructions that he is to write only on one side of the paper and to answer each of the questions against which a mark is placed in a clear and legible hand, and to commence each answer by writing down the number of the question to which it relates in the margin left for that purpose. The Candidate is to be tested by "Beall's Compass Deviascope," in which case it will not be necessary for him to give any written answer and sketches. A Candidate for an Extra Master's Certificate will not be required to answer the questions on the Deviation of the Compass on Exn. 7, but will be examined by the Syllabus and "Compass Deviascope."

104. In the *viva voce* examination a reasonable time should be allowed for the Candidate to give his answers. No assistance should be given or leading questions put.

105. Particular attention should be paid to the adjustments of the sextant, and the written answers should be given on the ruled paper in the same manner as the answers to the questions on Exn. 7, and the *supplementary viva voce* test applied as usual. Every Candidate should have a practical knowledge of what is known as the first three adjustments, and be able to read correctly *off* the arc, a supposed index error to be given by the Examiner as additive, as well as reading *on* the arc in the usual way.

106. All outstanding or minor corrections should appear in the margin of each problem paper; also on the chart papers Exn. 9 C and Exn. 9 D, and unless all these corrections appear on the papers of the Candidate they will not be considered complete.

107. In every case the Examination, whether for Only Mate, First Mate, Master, or Master Extra, is to commence with the problems for Second Mate.

108. Examiners should bear in mind that the problems to be performed are required as tests, and for the purposes of an Examination, and not for sea-going or practical purposes alone.

109. The Candidates will be allowed to work out the various problems according to the method and the tables they have been accustomed to use.

Time allowed for Problems and Writings.

110. Candidates for Second Mates' Certificates of Competency must complete the whole of their examination in Navigation in *eight hours*, including the time allowed for writing the definitions (Exn. 4a), the paper on the adjustment of the sextant, and the correction of *all* errors and oversights; but the nautical problems on Forms Exn. 4 and Exn. 5 must be completed within *six hours*, and without the Candidates leaving the premises during that period.

111. Candidates for Only and First Mates' Certificates must complete the whole of their Examination in Navigation in *twelve and a half hours*,* including the time allowed for the papers on the

*A Candidate (other than Second Mate) who may not previously have passed an examination may be allowed the time occupied in writing his definitions on Exn. 4a, in addition to the above.

sextant; the chart; cyclones or revolving storms; and for the correction of all errors and oversights; but the problems on Forms Exn. 4, Exn. 5, and Exn. 6 must be completed within *six hours*, and without the Candidates leaving the premises during that period.

112. *Candidates for Certificates as Masters' Ordinary* must complete the whole of their Examination in Navigation in *fifteen hours*, including the time allowed for the papers on the sextant; the chart; compass deviations; cyclones or revolving storms; and for the correction of all errors and oversights; but the problems on Forms Exn. 4, Exn. 5, and Exn. 6 must be completed within *six hours*, and without the Candidates leaving the premises during that period.

113. *Candidates, after finishing the problems required of the respective grades* on the first day of Examination, should proceed, until the end of that day, with such subjects as the definitions, sextant, chart, and Question 19 of Form Exn. 7.

114. *The Sumner problem (Exn. 6a)* must on no account be given out to any of the grades on the first day of the Examination, but should be the commencement of the Candidates' work on the second day, and on completion of this problem the Candidates for Masters' Certificates should proceed with the problems on paper Exn. 7.

115. *Candidates for Home Trade Mates' Certificates* must complete the whole of their arithmetical, chart, and other papers within *eight hours*, and Candidates for Home Trade Masters' Certificates within *ten hours*.

116. *Extra Masters' Certificates.*—The time allowed Candidates for examination for Extra Masters' Certificates of Competency to complete the whole of the problems and writings (including the Compass Syllabus and the correction of all errors and oversights) must not exceed twenty-six hours.

117. *Deviation of the Compass.*—A period not exceeding eleven hours will be allowed to Candidates for the completion of the whole of the examination in the Syllabus, including the correction of all errors and oversights in both the problems and writings.

118. Punctually at the expiration of the prescribed time all the papers should be called up, whether completed or not, and, if not completed, the Candidate will be declared to have failed, unless the Examiners see fit to lengthen the period in any special case. If, however, the period is lengthened in any case, the special circumstances of that case, and the reasons for lengthening the period, together with the time allowed, must be reported to the Marine Department by the Examiners, in the column for "remarks" on the Form Exn. 14. It should be noted that the periods prescribed in the foregoing paragraphs are not intended to include the time occupied by the *viva voce* part of the examination.

119. It is anticipated that but few of the Candidates for Certificates of Competency for any of the foregoing grades will require the whole of the time herein allowed for completing their Examination in Navigation; and ample time has been prescribed, so that the Candidates may perform their work in a careful, clear, and legible manner, and to the entire satisfaction of the Examiners.

Degree of Precision required in the Solution of the Problems.

120. In order to prevent any misapprehension as to the degree of precision required by the Marine Department Regulations in working out the various

problems in the Examinations for Masters' and Mates' Certificates, the attention of Examiners and Candidates is particularly directed to the following Instructions:—

- (a.) Candidates are expected to work out their answers to all problems within or not to exceed a margin of *one mile of position* from a correct result (e.g., in problems where the answer required is a latitude, longitude, or distance), excepting in finding the ship's position by "Sumner's" method, where a margin of $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles will be allowed.
- (b.) In such problems as the "Amplitude" and "Alt-Azimuth," where the bearings, deviations, &c., only are required, a margin of 2', or 3', from a correct result will be sufficiently accurate.
- (c.) In no problem is the Candidate for an "ordinary" Certificate required by the Regulations to correct for *second differences* in taking out the quantities from the Nautical Almanac.
- (d.) In solving the "Time Azimuth" problem an answer, not exceeding half a degree from the exact result will be sufficiently near. But in all cases the actual latitude, declination, and time used, together with the exact bearing (from the North or South) as given in the tables, must be clearly shown by the Candidate on his papers.
- (e.) In interpolating for the correct deviation to be applied in solving the Chart questions, Papers Exn. 9 C and Exn. 9 D it will usually be sufficiently near if the Candidate works throughout with the nearest degree of deviation taken from the "Deviation Card," and even in cases where the deviations may vary but little the nearest half degree used throughout will be sufficiently precise, and will at the same time prove whether the Candidate understands the method of arriving at the amount of, and applying, deviations. It is not necessary that the Candidate should waste his time in solving the course to *odd minutes* as is sometimes done.
- (f.) In calculating the correction to apply to the Soundings, Question 5 of Paper Exn. 9 D, the Candidate is not required to work out to the exact inch, as is sometimes done. It will be sufficiently near if he brings his answer within half a foot or so of a precise result.

It must be clearly understood in reading the foregoing Instructions that it is always provided the work of the Candidate is correct in principle.

Supplementary viva voce Examination on written Papers.

121. An intimation has been made to the Marine Department that an impression prevails, in regard to the examination of Masters and Mates, that so long as a Candidate can commit to paper correct answers to the various questions requiring written answers (e.g., Forms Exn. 4a, Exn. 7, Exn. 9a, Exn. 9c, Exn. 32, &c.), no matter how indicative the answers may be of their having been learnt off by rote *only*, the duty and responsibility of the Examiners are at an end, and that they have no power or authority to reject a Candidate should his written answers be correct.

122. Lest, therefore, such an impression should prevail, the Marine Department wish to point out

that Candidates for Certificates of Competency are not only expected to give correct written answers, which may merely be learnt off by rote, but they are expected to possess an intelligent knowledge of the various subjects prescribed in the Regulations, particularly as regards the important subject of the Deviation of the Compass.

123. The Marine Department is of opinion that this result may be easily attained by the Examiner putting a few *viva voce* questions to the Candidate as the papers are brought up for inspection, or at any subsequent time if more convenient. The oral questions (suggested by the printed questions and the answers given) to be such that the Examiner may satisfy himself that the Candidate possesses a real knowledge of what he has written, and to be confined strictly to the subjects of the printed questions. Should the Candidate then exhibit ignorance of the subjects, the Examiner (who is in a position to judge of the real knowledge the man before him possesses) should deal with him at his discretion, notwithstanding that the Candidate may have written all the answers correctly by rote.

124. When an Examiner finds it necessary to fail a Candidate in this *supplementary viva voce* test, a memorandum containing the particulars of the points on which the Candidate was ignorant, *i.e.*, the identical questions and the identical answers given, must in each case be attached to his examination papers, when forwarded in the usual course to the Marine Department, or the particulars may be set forth by the Examiner in the margins of the Candidate's papers in red ink.

125. If the Candidate passes he will receive the Form Exn. 16, which authorises the Superintendent of the Mercantile Marine Office to which it is addressed by the Examiner to issue the certificate to the Candidate, whose testimonials, &c., will be returned at the same time. It is therefore important that the port of destination of the Certificate should be the same on both the Form Exn. 16 and the Form Exn. 2. If circumstances should make any alteration necessary, the Examiner should see that it is made in both Forms, otherwise delay in the issue of the Certificate may be caused.

SPECIAL NOTICE TO CANDIDATES.

126. The attention of Candidates is specially called to the following Regulations:—

127. Candidates are required to appear at the examination room punctually at the time appointed by the Examiners.

128. Candidates are prohibited from bringing into the examination room books, paper, or memoranda of any kind whatever. The slightest infringement of this regulation will subject the offender to all the penalties of failure, and he will not be allowed to present himself for re-examination for a period of three months.

129. In the event of any Candidate being detected in defacing, blotting, writing in, or otherwise injuring any book or books belonging to the Marine Department, the papers of such Candidate will be detained until the book or books so defaced be replaced by him. He will not, however, be at liberty to remove the damaged book, which will still remain the property of the Marine Department.

130. In the event of any Candidate being discovered referring to any book or memoranda, copying from another, or affording any assistance, or giving any information to another, or communicating in any way with another, during the time of examination, or copying any part of the problems for the purpose of taking out of the examination rooms, he will subject himself to all the penalties

of a failure, and he will not be allowed to be examined for a period of six months.

131. No Candidate will be allowed to work out his problems on a slate or on waste paper.

132. No Candidate will be permitted to leave the room until he has given up the paper on which he is engaged.

133. Candidates will find it more convenient, both here and at sea, to correct the declination and other elements from the Nautical Almanac by the "hourly differences" which have been given in that work in order to facilitate such calculations; they will thereby render themselves independent of any proportional or logarithmic table for such purpose.

134. The corrections by inspection from tables given in some of the works on navigation will not be allowed (see Tables IX., XI., and XXI. in Norie's Epitome, &c.); every correction must appear on the papers of the Candidates.

135. Any Candidate who may be guilty of insolence to the Examiner or of other misconduct will render himself liable to the postponement of his examination, or, if he has passed, to the detention of his Certificate for such period as the Marine Department may direct.

MASTERS' AND MATES' VOLUNTARY EXAMINATIONS IN STEAM.

136. These examinations are limited to Masters and First or Only Mates who are possessed of or entitled to Certificates of Competency, and were provided for the purpose of giving them an opportunity of undergoing a voluntary examination as to their practical knowledge of the use and working of the steam-engine.

137. Any Master or Mate desiring to be examined in Steam must deliver to the Superintendent of the Mercantile Marine Office a statement in writing to that effect, upon the Form of Application (Exn. 2), and the applicant's Certificate of Competency must be delivered to the Superintendent along with his statement. If he is about to pass an examination for a Certificate of Competency at the same time, the applications should be sent in together.

138. A fee of one pound must be paid by the applicant for the examination *in Steam*, and the Superintendent of the Mercantile Marine Office will thereupon inform him of the time and place at which he is to attend to be examined, and the examination will then and there proceed in the same manner as the other examinations. If the applicant fails, and has given in his Certificate, it will be at once returned to him.

139. If the applicant passes, the Report (Exn. 14) will be sent to the Marine Department, with the Certificate of Competency and the Form (Exn. 2), and the words "*Passed in Steam*," with the date and place of examination, will then be entered on the Certificate and its counterpart, and the Certificate will be sent to the Superintendent of the Mercantile Marine Office of the port named in the Application (Exn. 2) to be delivered to the applicant in the usual manner.

140. If the applicant fails he may not present himself for re-examination until the expiration of three months from the date of failure.

141. The examination is for the most part *viva voce*, and extends to a general knowledge of the practical use and working of the steam-engine, and of the various valves, fittings, and pieces of machinery connected with it. Intricate theoretical questions on calculations of horse-power or areas of cylinders and valves, or any of the more difficult questions which appertain to steam-engines

and boilers, will not be asked. The examination will, in fact, be confined to what a Master of a steam-vessel may be called upon to perform in the case of the death, incapacity, or delinquency of the engineer.

142. Examiners are to be careful in their examinations to satisfy themselves that applicants really do know the names and uses of the various parts of engines and boilers, and their connecting pipes, valves, cocks, &c. Practical knowledge, as distinguished from theories, abstruse calculations, and book learning, is to be the test of the applicant's fitness to have his Certificate indorsed.

143. The Examiner should arrange to conduct part of the examination in the engine-room of a steamship, unless from circumstances he finds it impossible to do so; and if an opportunity offer the applicant should be permitted, under the guidance of the Examiner, to start and stop the engine of some vessel which may have her steam up.

144. The Examiner, in sending in his report of examinations of Masters and Mates in steam, should state where the examination has been held.

145. Candidates will be required to give written answers to sixteen out of twenty questions taken from a book of Elementary Questions published for the Marine Department. These questions will be altered from time to time without notice. The twenty questions are not to be difficult, theoretical, or book questions, but are to be such as any man of ordinary capacity ought to answer who has any "*practical knowledge of the use and working of the steam-engine.*"

146. These questions, with the Candidate's answers, should be sent to the Marine Department, with the reports, after each examination.

147. These answers will also assist in enabling the Marine Department to decide any question that may hereafter arise in cases where it is alleged that applicants have been improperly passed, or improperly rejected.

148. The Examiners will be careful that if any Candidate refers to any book, or paper, or memorandum, or obtains information from another Candidate during the examination, he will be treated as having failed, will forfeit his fee, and will not be allowed to be re-examined for a period of three months.

149. The Examiners will report in the case of failure the nature of the question or questions that decided the failure, or the point in the management of the engine in which the Candidate was deficient.

150. There is nothing in the Regulations requiring that applicants for the voluntary examination shall have served on board steamships; all that is required is that they shall have a "practical knowledge." Examiners will, of course, not fail to appreciate the fact, when passing applicants, that practical knowledge is best gained in the engine-room; and the examination of an officer who does not produce official evidence of service in steamships, and of experience of engines, must necessarily be more searching than in the case of one who produces evidence of such service and experience.

Rules for the Examination of Masters for Steamships plying within restricted Limits.

151. *General.*—Candidates for examination must make a proper application on a form which will be supplied on application at any Customhouse. This application, accompanied with the necessary testimonials, must be lodged at the Customhouse for delivery to the Examiners. Certificates procured on false information will be cancelled.

152. All Candidates for Certificates must pass the examination in colours.

153. *Master.*—A Master of a steamer plying within restricted limits must be twenty-one years of age, and must have served at least one year at sea, or on board of a vessel plying within harbour limits. He must produce satisfactory testimonials of good conduct and sobriety. He must be able to read and write, and understand the first five rules of arithmetic. He must understand the rules of the road as regards both steamers and sailing vessels, their regulation lights, and fog and sound signals, International Code of Signals, harbour regulations, and the colonial bar and tidal signals.

154. *Fees.*—The fee to be paid by the applicants for examination is One Pound.

NOTE.—Time served in steamers plying within restricted limits does not count as service at sea for the purpose of obtaining a Certificate of Competency for a sea-going ship.

