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Revoking the Setting-apart of Land for an Improved-farm Special Settlement.

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

IN pursuance and exercise of the powers and authorities conferred upon me by the one hundred and sixty-second section of "The Land Act, 1892," I, David, Earl of Glasgow, the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, do hereby declare that, from and after the date hereof, the Proclamation bearing date the twenty-fourth day of January, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-six, and published in *New Zealand Gazette*, No. 10, page 269, setting apart the land in the Schedule hereto for the Kohuratahi Improved-farm Special Settlement, is hereby revoked.

SCHEDULE.

KOHURATAHI IMPROVED SMALL-FARM SETTLEMENT BLOCK.

ALL that parcel of land in the Taranaki Land District, being part of the Taumatamahoe Block, containing by admeasurement 4,762 acres, exclusive of road and other reserves, situated in the Pouatu and Mahoe Survey Districts. Bounded towards the north-west by the south-eastern boundary of the Wangamomona Improved Small-farm Settlement Block, and towards the north-east, east, and south by other parts of the Taumatamahoe Block aforesaid; as the same is delineated on the plan marked S.G. 11999, deposited in the Head Office of the Department of Lands and Survey, at Wellington.

Given under the hand of His Excellency the Right Honourable David, Earl of Glasgow; 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 issued under the Seal of the said Colony, at the Government House, at Wellington, this twenty-eighth day of November, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety-six.

W. C. WALKER,
For Minister of Lands.

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN!

Land taken for a Road in Blocks XIV., Matakoho, and II., Hukatere, Survey Districts.

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

WHEREAS the lands mentioned in the Schedule hereto are required to be taken, under "The Public Works

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Act, 1894," for a certain work, to wit, the construction of a portion of a road through Matakoho Parish:

And whereas a plan has been prepared, and the Minister has recommended the Governor to issue a Proclamation taking the lands as required by the said Act:

Now, therefore, I, David, Earl of Glasgow, 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, 1894," 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 lands mentioned in the Schedule hereto are hereby taken for the purposes of the construction of the said road.

SCHEDULE.

The parcels of land mentioned hereunder:—

Area.	Section No.	Block.	Survey District.	Shown on Plan marked	Coloured on Plan
A. R. P. 2 0 4	5	XIV.	Matakoho	S.G. 14430	Green
11 1 21	Unuwhao Block (160)	XIV } II.	Matakoho } Hukatere	S.G. 14430A } S.G. 14430	Red.

In the Auckland Land District; as the same are more particularly delineated upon the plans marked S.G. 14430, 14430A, deposited in the Head Office of the Department of Lands and Survey, at Wellington, in the Wellington Land District, and thereon coloured as stated above.

Given under the hand of His Excellency the Right Honourable David, Earl of Glasgow; 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 issued under the Seal of the said Colony, at the Government House, at Wellington, this twenty-eighth day of November, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety-six.

W. C. WALKER,
For Minister of Lands.

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN!

Proclaiming Roads as closed through Lands in Waihemo County.—Makaraeo Estate.

(L.S.)

GLASGOW, Governor.

A PROCLAMATION.

IN pursuance and in exercise of the powers conferred by section eleven of "The Land for Settlements Act Amendment Act, 1895," I, David, Earl of Glasgow, Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, do by this notice, with the consent of the Waihemo County Council, hereby proclaim as closed the roads in the Waihemo County hereinafter described, that is to say:—

Area of each of the Parts of Roads closed.	Being Portion of the Road through or between Section or Portion of Section No.	Situated in Block No.	Situated in the Survey District of	Shown on Plan marked	Coloured on Plan
A. R. P. 1 0 18	Through Section 3	XII.	Moeraki ..	S.G. 19156	Green.
0 1 28	Through portion of Section 4	"	" ..	"	"
0 0 32	Through portion of Section 5	"	" ..	"	"
0 0 12	Through portion of Section 9	"	" ..	"	"
0 1 0	Between portions of Sections 4 and 20	"	" ..	"	"
1 0 27	Through portion of Section 1	XV.	" ..	S.G. 19156A	"
3 3 16	Through portions of Sections 1 and 3	"	" ..	"	"
0 3 23	Through portions of Sections 3 and 5	"	" ..	"	"
1 0 32	Through portion of Section 5	"	" ..	"	"
0 2 3	Through portion of Section 5	"	" ..	"	"
0 0 22	Through portion of Section 3	"	" ..	"	"
0 3 16	Through portion of Section 3	"	" ..	"	"
1 1 32	Through portions of Sections 3 and 5	"	" ..	"	"
2 1 16	Through portions of Sections 11 and 9	VIII.	" ..	"	"
0 3 16	Between portions of Sections 33 and 34	IV.	Dunback ..	"	"

As the same are more particularly delineated on the plans marked as above mentioned, deposited in the Head Office of the Department of Lands and Survey, at Wellington, in the Wellington Land District, and thereon coloured as above mentioned.

Given under the hand of His Excellency the Right Honourable David, Earl of Glasgow; 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 issued under the Seal of the said Colony, at the Government House, at Wellington, this twenty-eighth day of November, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety-six.

W. C. WALKER,
For Minister of Lands.

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN!

Matarawa Drainage District, County of Wanganui, constituted.

GLASGOW, Governor.
ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government House, at Wellington, this sixteenth day of November, 1896.

Present:

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR IN COUNCIL.

WHEREAS, in accordance with the provisions of the fifth section of "The Land Drainage Act, 1893," a majority of the ratepayers in the district described in the Schedule hereto, situated in the County of Wanganui, have presented a petition to His Excellency the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand praying that the land comprised in the said district be constituted a drainage district under the provisions of the said Act:

Now, therefore, in pursuance and exercise of the power and authority contained in the fifth section of "The Land Drainage Act, 1893," 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, doth hereby constitute and declare the block of land described in the said petition, and in the Schedule hereto, to be a district for the purposes of Part I. of the said Act, and to be called by the name of "The Matarawa Drainage District"; and also, in pursuance and exercise of the power and authority contained in the ninth section of the said Act, doth hereby declare that the Board of Trustees for the said district shall consist of seven members, to be elected under and in accordance with the said Act.

SCHEDULE.

THE MATARAWA DRAINAGE DISTRICT.

ALL that area in the Wellington Land District, situated in Ikitara Survey District, Wanganui County, containing by admeasurement 1,750 acres, more or less. Commencing at a point on the left bank of the Wanganui River at the boundary-line between Allotments Nos. 3 and 4 of the Nixon Estate, and bounded towards the north-west by the said Allotment No. 4 to River Bank Road; thence towards the south-west by that road to the road which intersects

Section No. 63, Block I.; thence again towards the north-west by that road to the original No. 3 Line of road, thence by a right line to the southernmost corner of Section No. 89, thence by Sections Nos. 89 and 90 of the said Block I. to the Wellington - New Plymouth Railway-line; thence towards the north-east and north by the said railway-line to the present No. 3 Line of road, and by that road to the eastern boundary-line of Section No. 80, Block I.; thence towards the west by that section for a distance of 18 chains; thence again towards the north by a line parallel to No. 3 Line of road to the western boundary of Section No. 85, Block II.; thence towards the east by that section to the original No. 3 Line of road; thence again towards the north by that road to the boundary-line between the properties of Isaac Slade and Samuel Oliver; thence again towards the east by that boundary-line to the present No. 3 Line of road; thence again towards the north-east by a right line to the south-western corner of Section No. 110, Block II., and by that section to the road forming the eastern boundary of Section No. 76; thence again towards the east by the eastern side of that road to the boundary-line between the properties of Alexander Higgin and James Higgin; thence again towards the north-east by that boundary-line for a distance of 13 chains; thence again towards the north-west by a right line bearing north 47° east, to the eastern boundary-line of Section No. 116, Block II.; thence again towards the north-east by a line at right angles to the last-mentioned line to the present No. 3 Line of road; thence towards the south-east by that road to the boundary-line between the properties of Alexander Higgin and James Higgin; thence again towards the north and east by that boundary-line to the southern boundary-line of Section No. 199, Block III.; thence again towards the north by that section for a distance of 9 chains; thence again towards the east by a right line to a point on the southern boundary of Section No. 271, Block VII., distant 12 chains from its south-western corner; thence again towards the north-east by Section No. 271; again towards the east and north by Section No. 270 to the western boundary of Section No. 124, Block VII.; thence again towards the east by that section for a distance of 15 chains; thence towards the south-west by a right line at right angles to the western boundary-line of Section No. 124 to a right line running in a north-easterly and south-westerly direction, dividing Section No. 59, Block VII., into

two equal parts; thence again towards the south-east by that line for a distance of 23 chains; thence again towards the south-west by a line parallel to No. 2 Line of road to the eastern boundary of Section No. 57, Block VI.; thence again towards the north-west by the last-mentioned section for a distance of 13 chains; thence again towards the south-west by a right line at right angles to the eastern boundary-line of the said Section No. 57, to the boundary-line between the properties of Thomas Higgie and Alexander Higgie; thence again towards the west by that boundary-line to the northern boundary-line of Section No. 56; thence towards the south by Sections Nos. 56 and 55 to the road forming the eastern boundary of Section No. 74, Block VI.; thence again towards the west by that road, and again towards the south and east by the said Section No. 74 to a point on the western boundary of that section distant 5 chains southerly from its north-western corner; thence again toward the south by a right line parallel to the northern boundary-line of Section No. 72A to Section No. 70A; thence again towards the west by that section; thence again towards the north by Sections Nos. 71 and 72 to a right line which divides Section No. 72 into two equal parts (being the boundary between the properties of Isaac Slade and John McGregor); thence again towards the west by that boundary-line to the Wellington-New Plymouth Railway-line; thence again towards the south-west by the Wellington-New Plymouth Railway-line for a distance of 25 chains; thence again towards the south by lines running parallel to the No. 3 Line of road, through Sections Nos. 71, 70, 69, 68, 67, 66, and 65, to the western boundary of the last-mentioned section; thence again towards the east by that section for a distance of 30 chains; thence again towards the south by a line parallel to the northern boundary-line of Section No. 61 for a distance of 16 chains; thence again towards the south-west by a right line bearing north 41° west to the present No. 3 Line of road; thence again towards the south-east by that road to the northern boundary-line of Section No. 61, Block I.; and again towards the south by that boundary-line to the River Bank Road; thence again towards the east by a right line to the mouth of the Matarawa Stream; and thence again towards the south-west by the Wanganui River to the place of commencement.

ALEX. WILLIS,
Clerk of the Executive Council.

Land in Taranaki reserved as an Endowment for the Establishment of an Experimental Dairy-school for the North Island.

GLASGOW, Governor.

WHEREAS the land described in the Schedule hereto is at present a public domain administered under the provisions of "The Public Domains Act, 1881," and the powers of the Governor conferred by that Act, except the powers under or conferred by sections five and twelve thereof, were delegated in respect of such domain to the Mokoia Domain Board by an Order in Council issued on the sixteenth day of September, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-six:

And whereas, under the provisions of "The Reserves and Crown Lands Disposal and Enabling Act, 1896" (hereinafter termed "the said Act"), the Governor may by *Gazette* notice resume possession of the said land, and from and after the gazetted of such notice the said land shall be freed from any trust in or control by the Mokoia Domain Board, and shall be deemed to be a reserve for the purpose of establishing an experimental dairy-school for the North Island in such manner as the Minister for Agriculture directs: And whereas it is expedient to resume possession of the said land in manner hereinafter set forth:

Now, therefore, I, David, Earl of Glasgow, Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, in pursuance and exercise of the power and authority vested in me by the said Act, do hereby resume possession of the said land as described in the Schedule hereto, and do hereby declare that from the date of the publication of this notice in the *New Zealand Gazette* the said land shall be deemed to be and is reserved as an endowment for the establishment of an experimental dairy-school for the North Island, subject to the provisions of the said Act.

SCHEDULE.

ALL that parcel of land in the Taranaki Land District, containing by admeasurement 69 acres 1 rood 22 perches, more or less, being Section No. 534, situate in the Patea District, Block XI., Hawera Survey District. Bounded towards the north-east by Sections Nos. 283 and 284; towards the south-east by Section No. 537; towards the south by a road-line; and towards the north-west by Section No. 536.

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

W. C. WALKER,
For Minister of Lands.

Land temporarily reserved in the Land District of Southland.

GLASGOW, Governor.

WHEREAS by the two hundred and thirty-fifth section of "The Land Act, 1892," it is enacted that the Governor may from time to time, either by general or particular description, and whether the same has been surveyed or not, reserve from sale temporarily, notwithstanding that the same may be then held under pastoral license, any Crown lands which in his opinion are required for any of the purposes in the said section mentioned:

Now, therefore, I, David, Earl of Glasgow, the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, in exercise and pursuance of the powers and authorities vested in me by the said Act, do hereby temporarily reserve from sale the lands in the Land District of Southland described in the Schedule hereunder written, for the purposes in the said Schedule specified at the end of the description of the lands so intended to be temporarily reserved.

SCHEDULE.

ALL that parcel of land in the Southland Land District, containing by admeasurement 53 acres 3 roods 22 perches, more or less, being Section No. 158, Block XV., Invercargill Survey District. Bounded towards the north by Sections 10 and 29 of Block XV., 1068 links and 1099 links respectively; towards the east by Section 29 of Block XV. and a road-line, 1847 links and 1552 links respectively; towards the south-east by Foreshore Reserve, 2245 links; towards the west by Section 155 of Block XV., 3717 links: be all the aforesaid linkages more or less; as the same is delineated on the plan deposited in the office of the Chief Surveyor, Invercargill. For public recreation.

All that parcel of land in the Southland Land District, containing by admeasurement 2 acres, more or less, being Section No. 24, Block III., Waikawa Survey District. Bounded towards the north by Section No. 12 of the same block, towards the east by a road-line, towards the south by a road-line, and towards the west by Section No. 12 of the same block: as the same is delineated on the plan deposited in the office of the Chief Surveyor, Invercargill. For a public cemetery.

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

W. C. WALKER,
For Minister of Lands.

Trustees for the Conway Public Cemetery appointed.

GLASGOW, Governor.

IN pursuance and exercise of the powers and authorities vested in me by the forty-fifth section of "The Cemeteries Act, 1882," I, David, Earl of Glasgow, the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, do hereby appoint the local authority specified in the first column of the Schedule hereto to have the control and management of the public cemetery specified in the second column of the said Schedule.

SCHEDULE.

Local Authority.	Name of Public Cemetery, and Description of Land.
The Cheviot County Council.	CONWAY. All that parcel of land in the Nelson Land District, containing 7 acres and 37 perches, more or less, being Section No. 47 of the Village of Conway. Bounded towards the north by a public road, 1112 links; towards the east by a public road, 791 links; towards the south by Section No. 48, 838 links; and towards the west by Section No. 46, 742 links.

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

W. C. WALKER,
For Minister of Lands.

Trustees for the Matapouri Public Cemetery appointed.

GLASGOW, Governor.

IN pursuance and exercise of the powers and authorities vested in me by the sixth section of "The Cemeteries Act, 1882," I, David, Earl of Glasgow, 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.
Joseph Robert Annabell, Andrew Smith, Benjamin Proude, Joseph George Had-dow, and Charles James.	MATAPOURI. All that parcel of land in the Taranaki Land District, containing 2 acres 1 rood 6 perches, more or less, being Section No. 15, Block VI., Kapara Survey District. Bounded towards the north by a road along the Waitotara River, 870.7 links; towards the south-east by a road, 608.5 links; towards the south-west by a road, 495.6 links: as the same is delineated on the plan deposited in the office of the Chief Surveyor, New Plymouth.

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

W. C. WALKER,
For Minister of Lands.

Visiting Justice appointed.

Department of Justice (Prisons Branch),
Wellington, 7th August, 1896.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint

ARCHIBALD CLEMENTS, Esq., J.P.,

to be a Visiting Justice of H.M. Prison at Fort Cautley.

T. THOMPSON.

Representative on the Palmerston North Hospital Board appointed.

Lunacy and Charitable Department,
Wellington, 28th November, 1896.

HIS Excellency the Governor has, in accordance with "The Hospitals and Charitable Institutions Act, 1885," been pleased to appoint

WILLIAM PARK

to represent Foxton, Feilding, and Halcombe on the Palmerston North Hospital Board.

W. C. WALKER.

Representative on the Picton Hospital and Charitable Aid Board reappointed.

Lunacy and Charitable Department,
Wellington, 25th November, 1896.

HIS Excellency the Governor has, in terms of "The Sounds County Hospital Representation Act, 1887," been pleased to reappoint

DONALD McCORMICK, Esq.,

to represent the Sounds County on the Picton Hospital and Charitable Aid Board.

W. C. WALKER.

Result of Poll for Proposed Loan, Otaki Road Board, Horowhenua County.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Wellington, 27th November, 1896.

THE following notice, received from the Chairman of the Otaki Road Board, is published in accordance with the provisions of "The Local Bodies' Loans Act, 1886."

W. C. WALKER,
Acting Colonial Secretary.

OTAKI ROAD BOARD.—RESULT OF POLL.—SPECIAL DISTRICT No. 6.

THE following is the result of a poll taken on the 21st November, 1896, on a proposal to borrow £200, under "The

Government Loans to Local Bodies Act, 1886," to construct the Waikawa Bridge and its approaches:—

Number of ratepayers on roll, 15; votes exercisable on special roll, 27: Number who voted for the proposal, 12; number of votes recorded for the proposal, 20; number of votes not recorded, 7.

As a majority of the number of ratepayers, having a majority of the number of votes exercisable, voted for the proposal, I declare the same duly carried.

J. W. SWAINSON,
Chairman, Otaki Road Board.

Dated at Otaki, this 25th day of November, 1896.

Notice to Mariners, No. 33 of 1896.

Marine Department,
Wellington, 24th November, 1896.

REFERRING to Notice to Mariners, No. 30 of 1896, issued by this department on the 30th ultimo, the following notice, received from the Colonial Secretary, Perth, Western Australia, is published for general information.

W. C. WALKER,
For Minister of Marine.

WESTERN AUSTRALIA.—SOUTH COAST.—CAPE LEEUWIN.

THE Government of Western Australia gives notice that on and after the 10th December, 1896, a light will be displayed from the new lighthouse on the extreme point of Cape Leeuwin. The light is revolving, of the Feux Éclairs, or lightning flash-lights type, and will show a single flash of white light every five seconds; duration of flash, one-fifth of a second, eclipse four and four-fifths seconds.

The tower is cylindrical in form, 135ft. in height from base to vane, and is of a natural stone-colour.

The focal plane of the light is 185ft. above high water, and the light will be visible all round the horizon from a distance of 19½ miles in clear weather.

The subsidiary light formerly advertised will not be exhibited.

Approximate position:—

Latitude, 34° 22' south.
Longitude, 115° 8' east.

C. R. RUSSELL,

Harbour Department,
Fremantle, 27th October, 1896.

Bonus for Production of Mineral Manure.—Notice No. 454.

Department of Agriculture,
Wellington, 25th July, 1896.

A BONUS of £200 is hereby offered for the discovery and working within the colony of a deposit or deposits of marketable mineral manure.

The following are the conditions under which the bonus is offered and will be paid:—

1. That the raw material be easily accessible, and within reasonable distance of a road or railway.

2. That the person appointed by the Minister for Agriculture to examine the deposit is satisfied that there is sufficient to meet all ordinary demands for five years.

3. That at least 200 tons of such manure have been disposed of at a price which will allow of its being remuneratively used for agricultural purposes, and that a further supply can be placed on the market at the same price.

4. That, if the deposit be mineral coprolites, it shall contain by analysis at least 20 per cent. of phosphoric acid.

5. That, if the deposit be mineral apatites, it shall contain by analysis at least 25 per cent. of phosphoric acid.

Applications addressed to "The Hon. the Minister for Agriculture, Wellington," will be received up to and including the 1st day of August, 1897.

JOHN McKENZIE,
Minister for Agriculture.

Bonuses for Encouragement of New Zealand Hemp (Phormium tenax) Industry.—Notice No. 430.

Department of Agriculture,
Wellington, 1st November, 1895.

BONUS No. 1.

A BONUS of £1,750 is offered for a machine or process for dressing New Zealand hemp (*Phormium tenax*) which shall be an improvement on the machines or processes now in use, and which shall, after trial, be found to materially reduce the cost of production, improve the product, or increase the quantity of dressed fibre.

The following are the conditions:—

1. All applications for the bonus must be sent addressed to the Hon. the Minister for Agriculture, Wellington, and must reach him not later than the 31st March, 1897. Each

application must be accompanied by a description of the machine or process, particularly stating improvements on present machines or processes, and also the cost at which the machine or process can be supplied.

2. The applicants must be prepared to submit their machines or processes to examination at such time and place as the Government may direct.

3. The Government shall appoint a committee of three or more experts, to whom all applications shall be submitted. Such committee shall, after perusal, state what machines or processes they deem worthy of consideration, and may inspect the same at any place within the colony; and, having so inspected the whole or any of them, may direct that the whole or any of them be brought for further trial to such place as they may think fit.

The cost of bringing the machines or appliances on to the ground, from within the colony, supplying the necessary shafting, motive-power, and buildings, to be defrayed by the Government. If any machine sent from beyond the colony is awarded the bonus or part thereof, then the cost of bringing such machine shall be borne by the Government.

The following shall be the basis of the test:—

The committee shall supply a sufficient and equal quantity of green hemp to each machine or process as a test.

The committee shall take into consideration—

The time occupied by each machine or process in the operation;

The cost of labour and time required after the fibre has left the machine or process before it is ready for baling;

The percentage of dressed fibre and tow produced by each machine or process;

The cost of producing the same;

The cost of the machine, and the simplicity and durability of the working parts.

On completion of the tests the committee shall furnish a report to the Minister on all the machines or processes which they have examined or tested, and shall state,—

- (1.) The machine or process which they consider on the whole the most efficient and economic.
- (2.) Whether they consider that any machine or process tested so materially reduces the cost of production, or improves the product, as to be worthy of the whole bonus or of a part only.
- (3.) Whether, in the event of no one machine or process being entitled to the whole bonus, they deem any machine or process worthy of a part of the bonus, and, if so, how much.

Bonus No. 2.

A bonus of £250 is offered for a process of utilising the waste products of the hemp.

The first three conditions of Bonus No. 1 to apply to this also.

The committee shall supply a sufficient and equal quantity of the waste products to each process as a test.

On completion of the tests the committee shall report to the Minister, and shall give the following particulars of each process: (a.) The nature of the article made. (b.) The quantity produced, and the cost of production. (c.) The value of the product. (d.) Whether any of the processes are of sufficient importance to warrant the Minister in giving (1) the whole, or (2) any part, of the bonus; (3) if a part only, how much.

JOHN McKENZIE,
Minister for Agriculture.

Bonus for the Manufacture of Potassium Cyanide.

Department of Industries and Commerce,
Wellington, 17th January, 1895.

NOTICE is hereby given that a bonus of £1,000 will be paid for the erection of a plant and the manufacture in New Zealand of the first 200 tons of crude cyanide of potassium from colonial produce.

1. The plant must be capable of producing at least 70 tons of crude cyanide of potassium annually.

2. The crude cyanide of potassium so manufactured shall contain at least 70 per cent. of *potassium cyanide*.

3. The bonus will be paid in two equal instalments, the first instalment being payable on the production of the first 100 tons, and the second instalment on the production of the second 100 tons, of crude cyanide of potassium containing the required percentage of *potassium cyanide*.

4. On the completion of the plant, notice in writing must be sent to the Minister of Industries and Commerce, Wellington, who will appoint an officer to inspect the same, together with the raw material then available from which the cyanide of potassium is proposed to be manufactured.

5. The officer so appointed shall from time to time inspect the process of manufacture, in order that he may satisfy himself that the whole of the cyanide of potassium is being manufactured from material of New Zealand production;

and before any bonus is paid such officer will be required to certify that he is satisfied the crude cyanide of potassium is the product of New Zealand material only, and that it contains the required percentage of *potassium cyanide*.

6. The bonus must be claimed for the first 100 tons on or before the 31st March, 1897, and for the second 100 tons on or before the 30th September, 1898.

J. G. WARD.

Bonus for the Production of Quicksilver.

Mines Office,
Wellington, 19th September, 1895.

NOTICE is hereby given that a bonus of fourpence (4d.) per pound will be paid on the production of the first one hundred thousand pounds weight (100,000lb.) of good marketable retorted quicksilver, free from all impurities, from any mine in New Zealand, on the following conditions, that is to say:—

1. That at least one-third of the quantity is produced on or before the 31st March, 1897, and the remaining two-thirds on or before the 31st March, 1899.

2. No bonus will be payable until the whole of the one hundred thousand pounds (100,000lb.) of quicksilver has been produced as stipulated to the satisfaction of an officer to be appointed by the Minister of Mines, and on whose certificate alone the bonus will be paid.

3. In the event of more than one person producing the required quantities of quicksilver before the dates named, inquiry will be made by the officer above referred to, when, if it is found that each applicant is equally entitled to a bonus, the amount will be divided in proportion to the quantities produced by each applicant, but in no case shall any bonus be paid until at least one hundred thousand pounds (100,000lb.) of quicksilver has been produced in the aggregate.

A. J. CADMAN,
Minister of Mines.

Notice No. 461, substituted for
Public Notice under "The Stock Act, 1893," re *Liver-fluke*.—
Notice No. 449.

Department of Agriculture (Live-stock Branch),
Wellington, 7th September, 1896.

IT having been reported to me that the disease known as "liver-fluke" exists amongst sheep running on certain lands in the Hawke's Bay Land District, I therefore, in accordance with section 14, subsection (4), of "The Stock Act, 1893," hereby declare the under-mentioned lands to be an infected place, from which no sheep, carcase, or any portion thereof, shall be removed, except under the direction of an Inspector of Stock:—

All that piece of land, situated in the Hawke's Bay Land District, called Te Hauke, and containing about 9,000 acres, being parts of Blocks XII. and XVI., Maraekakahu Survey District, and Blocks IX. and XIII., Te Mata Survey District, in the Hawke's Bay County. Bounded by a line starting at the north-eastern corner of Block 13, in Block XVI., Maraekakahu Survey District; thence in a north-east direction by a right line to Trig. Station N; thence northerly by a right line to the south-west corner of the Waikareao Block; thence generally north-easterly by the north-western boundaries of the Raukawa Nos. 3 and 2 Blocks, the Pukehou No. 1, and the Poukawa Native Reserve, and Koparakore A to the north-western corner of the last-named block; thence south-easterly by the north-eastern boundary A and B to its intersection with the railway-line; thence south-westerly by a right line to Te Aute Railway-station; thence south-west by the railway-line to its intersection with the Hawke's Bay County boundary; thence generally north-westerly by the aforesaid boundary to the starting-point.

All that parcel of land in the Land District of Hawke's Bay, being called or known by the name of the "Ram Paddock," containing about 80 acres, being a portion of Whenuahou C Nos. 1 and 2 North, in Block III., Tahoraite Survey District, Waipawa County. Bounded on the north-west by the Porongahau Stream; on the north and east by Blocks 120 and 69; and on the south generally by other portion of Whenuahou C Nos. 1 and 2 North, aforesaid.

All that piece or parcel of land in the Land District of Hawke's Bay, being called or known by the name of "Takapau Paddock," containing about 190 acres, being portion of Subdivision No. 3, Otawhao Block, in Block III., Takapau Survey District, Waipawa County. Bounded on the north by Blocks 234 and 120; on the south generally by the Porongahau Stream and a public road; and on the west by the railway-line.

All that piece or parcel of land in the Land District of Hawke's Bay, called or known as "Rees Davis Paddock," containing 110 acres, being Section 7 of Whenuahou D.E. No. 1 Block, in VI. and VII., Takapau Survey District, Waipawa County. Bounded on the south-east by a public

road; on the south-west by a public road; on the north-west by Section 6; and on the north-east by Section 8.

All that parcel of land in the Hawke's Bay Land District, called or known by the name of "Sebastopol 3 Paddock," containing about 530 acres, situated in Block III., Waipukurau Survey District, Waipawa County, being part of the land granted to the Bishop of Wellington, and situated in the south-west corner of the aforesaid land.

JOHN D. RITCHIE,
Chief Inspector of Stock.

Officiating Ministers for 1896.—Notice No. 35.

Registrar-General's Office,
Wellington, 2nd December, 1896.

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 Church of the Province of New Zealand, commonly called the Church of England.

The Reverend Charles William Robinson.

E. J. VON DADELSZEN,
Registrar-General.

Crown Lands Notices.

First-class Land in Pareora Settlement, Waimate County, open for Lease in Perpetuity.

District Lands and Survey Office,
Christchurch, 1st December, 1896.

THE under-mentioned land will be open for selection on lease in perpetuity at the District Lands and Survey Office, Christchurch, on Wednesday, 27th January, 1897.

If more than one application be received on the same day, then the order of selection shall be decided by ballot on the following day, at 10 a.m., at the District Lands and Survey Office, Christchurch.

SCHEDULE.

WAIMATE COUNTY.—PAREORA SETTLEMENT.
Surveyed First-class Land.

Survey District.	Section.	Block.	Area.	Lease in Perpetuity: Rent, 5 per Cent.	
				Rent per Acre.	Half-yearly Rent.
Patiti	11	IV.	A. R. P. 20 0 0	s. d. 13 7-2	£ s. d. 6 16 0

This section is situated in the central portion of the Pareora Settlement, about three miles and a quarter from the St. Andrew's Railway-station, and about nine miles from Timaru, and comprises open, level, agricultural land of good quality, well adapted for occupation by working-men, gardeners, and others. The section is weighted with a sum of £87, being valuation of dwelling-house, boundary and subdivision fencing, and cultivation, which sum must be paid on allotment, in addition to the usual deposit and fees.

TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF LEASE FOR LAND WITHIN THE PAREORA SETTLEMENT.

1. The land enumerated above is first-class land, and is open for selection on lease in perpetuity, under the provisions of "The Land Act, 1892" (hereinafter referred to as "the said Act").
2. The day on which the land shall be open for selection shall be Wednesday, the 27th day of January, 1897.
3. The rental stated above shall be the price at which the land shall be open for selection.
4. Every applicant shall make the declaration hereinafter prescribed, and shall, immediately on being declared successful, pay a sum equal to one half-year's rent of the land applied for. Such payment shall be in discharge of the half-year's rent due on the 1st day of January or July following. He shall also pay the sum of £1 ls. for the preparation of the lease and the registration thereof, and the amount with which the section is weighted for improvements, immediately the application has been approved or been declared successful at the ballot.
5. No person shall be allowed to acquire or to hold more than one allotment, and no person who is the owner or occupier of land under the said Act which with the land applied for would exceed in area 640 acres shall be capable of applying for or holding any allotment.
6. The lessee must reside on the land leased within one year from the date of lease, and thereafter such residence shall be continuous.
7. The lessee shall put on the land comprised in his lease substantial improvements as under:—

- (a.) Within one year from the date of his lease, to a value equal to 2½ per cent. of the price of the land;

- (b.) Within two years from the date of his lease, to a value equal to another 2½ per cent. of the price of the land;
- (c.) And thereafter, but within six years from the date of his lease, to a value equal to another 2½ per cent. of the price of the land;

and in addition thereto shall, within six years from the date of his lease, put substantial improvements of a permanent character to the value of £1 for every acre of such land.

Substantial improvements of a permanent character mean and include reclamation from swamps, clearing of bush, gorse, broom, sweetbriar, or scrub, cultivation, planting gardens, fencing, draining, making roads, sinking wells or water-tanks, constructing water-races, sheep-dips, making embankments or protective works of any kind, in any way improving the character or fertility of the soil, or the erection of any non-movable building.

8. The lessee must fence the land leased with a ring-fence within the second year of the term; and such fence must be sufficient to comply in all respects with "The Fencing Act, 1895," or any other law to regulate the fencing of land which shall for the time being be in force.

9. The lessee must once a year properly cut and trim all live fences now on the land, or which may be planted upon the land during the term, and stub all gorse not growing as fences, and also stub all broom and sweetbriar.

10. The lessee must not take more than three crops, one of which must be a root-crop, from the same land in succession; and either with or immediately after a third crop of any kind the land must be sown down with good permanent cultivated grasses and clovers, and be allowed to remain as pasture for at least three years from the harvesting of last crop before being again cropped.

11. At all times during the lease the land, if the area of the whole exceed 10 acres, must be so farmed that not less than one-third of the farm be maintained in permanent pasture.

12. The lessee must not cut the cultivated grass or clovers for hay or seed during the first year from the time of sowing as aforesaid.

13. The lessee must not burn any straw grown upon the land.

14. The lessee must once a year properly clean, clear from weeds, and keep open all creeks, drains, ditches, and water-courses which now are or may be upon the land, and the Commissioner of Crown Lands or any Crown Lands Ranger of the district shall have the power at any time to enter upon and make any drain through the land that he may deem necessary.

15. In the event of the lessee failing to comply with any of the conditions hereinbefore mentioned relating to the trimming of live fences and stubbing gorse, broom, and sweetbriar; and to the cleaning, clearing from weeds, and keeping open all creeks, drains, ditches, and watercourses, it shall be lawful for the said Commissioner to have such work done, and to recover the cost of the same from the lessee.

16. All buildings erected upon the land must be kept in good order and repair.

17. The lessee is liable for all rates, taxes, and assessments during the term.

18. Subject as aforesaid, the provisions of "The Land Act, 1892," and regulations made thereunder with respect to applications for and the grant of leases in perpetuity shall apply, so far as applicable, to all applications for leases under "The Land for Settlements Act, 1894."

Schedule.—Declaration on applying for a Lease under "The Land for Settlements Act, 1894."

- I, A.B., do solemnly and sincerely declare,—
1. That I am of the age of seventeen years and upwards.
 2. That I am the person who, subject to the provisions of "The Land for Settlements Act, 1894," am applying for a lease of Section , Block , Survey District.
 3. That I am acquiring such lease solely for my own use and benefit, and not directly or indirectly for the use or benefit of any other person or persons whomsoever.
 4. That, including the land now applied for, I am not the owner, tenant, or occupier, directly or indirectly, either by myself or jointly with any other person or persons, of any land acquired under the Land for Settlements Acts, or of any lands anywhere in the colony exceeding in the whole 640 acres of land.
 5. That I have not, within one year from the date hereof, surrendered a lease in perpetuity of the lands for a lease whereof I am now applying.

And I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of an Act of the General Assembly of New Zealand intitled "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

Declared at , this day of , 18 ,
before me—C.D., a Justice of the Peace in and for the Colony of New Zealand.

C. B. SHANKS,
Acting Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Village Homesteads in Horowhenua County open for Selection on Lease in Perpetuity.

District Lands and Survey Office,
Wellington, 1st December, 1896.

THE under-mentioned lands will be open for selection on lease in perpetuity at the District Lands and Survey Office, Wellington, on Wednesday, the 27th January, 1897.

If more than one application be received for the same section on the same day, then the order of selection shall be decided by ballot on the following day, at 11 a.m.

SCHEDULE.

HOROWHENUA VILLAGE-HOMESTEAD SETTLEMENT.
First-class Land.

Section.	Area.	Lease in Perpetuity.	
		Rent per Acre.	Half-yearly Rent.
16	A. R. P. 5 0 0	s. d. 5 2.4	£ s. d. 0 13 0
Weighted with £10 for improvements.			
20	5 0 0	5 2.4	0 13 0
Weighted with £5 for improvements.			
53	25 0 0	4 2.4	2 12 6
Weighted with £2 10s. for improvements.			
55	25 0 0	4 2.4	2 12 6
Weighted with £2 10s. for improvements.			
47	10 0 0	4 4.8	1 2 0

Section 16 is situated on the main road near Levin. The land is level, the soil good, on a shingle formation, and is more or less covered with mixed timber. There is a small house on the section.

Section 20 is situated on the main road near Levin. The land is level, and the soil is good on a shingle formation. All the bush has been felled but not burnt.

Section 53.—This section is situated about a mile and a half from Levin Railway-station, and is approached by a formed road. The soil is good, on a gravel formation. The land is perfectly level, timbered with rimu, matai, miro, &c., and well suited for dairying or gardening purposes. An area of 2 acres has been felled and burned.

Section 55 is situated about a mile and a half from Levin Railway-station, and is approached by a formed road. The soil is good, on a gravel formation. The land is perfectly level, timbered with rimu, matai, miro, &c., and is well suited for dairying or gardening purposes. An area of 2½ acres has been felled.

Section 47.—This section is within five minutes' walk of Levin Railway-station. The land is level, with good soil on a shingle formation. The milling timber has been cut out, and no improvements have been effected.

[NOTE.—Section No. 47 is offered subject to the right of allowing the existing tramway to be used through and over it, and also for the free ingress and egress of all persons, animals, and conveyances in any way connected therewith, together with full permission to repair, maintain, and keep in working-order such line of tramway for a period of one year from the 1st January, 1897, after which time all rights thereto shall cease.]

TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF LEASE.

1. The lands enumerated above are first-class lands, and are divided into village-homestead allotments, open for selection on lease in perpetuity under the provisions of "The Land Act, 1892" (hereinafter referred to as "the said Act").

2. The day on which the lands shall be open for selection shall be Wednesday, the twenty-seventh day of January, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven.

3. The rental stated above shall be the price at which the land shall be open for selection.

4. Applications for leases shall be made in manner as provided in Part I. of the said Act; and all such applications shall be made to the Commissioner of Crown Lands, Wellington; and leases will be issued in accordance with the provisions of Part I. aforesaid.

5. Each applicant shall state his or her residence, occupation, and condition in life (namely, whether married or single), and will be required to make the declaration hereby prescribed.

6. Each applicant shall pay the first half-year's rent, the lease- and registration-fee, and the amount with which the section is weighted for improvements, immediately the application has been approved or declared successful at the ballot.

7. All rents must be paid half-yearly, in advance, on the 1st days of January and July in each year, as provided in section 157 of the said Act; and the first half-year's rent is

payable as before provided. The next payment of rent will become due on 1st January, 1898.

8. No lessee shall hold more than one allotment, and such allotment shall be held for his sole use and benefit, and not for the use or benefit of any other person whomsoever. No married woman shall be eligible as a selector; but this provision shall not apply to any married woman who may become a transferee under a will or by virtue of an intestacy.

9. The lessee must reside on the land leased within one year from the date of lease, and thereafter such residence shall be continuous.

10. Improvements and residence on the land comprised in each lease shall, subject to clause No. 9, be as provided in Part III. of the said Act. The provisions of section 144, and all other provisions of the said Act with respect to substantial improvements, shall apply accordingly to lessees under these regulations. The provisions of section 141, and all other provisions of the said Act in respect of compulsory residence, shall, subject to clause No. 9, apply accordingly to lessees under these regulations.

Substantial improvements of a permanent character mean and include reclamation from swamps, clearing of bush, gorse, broom, sweetbriar, or scrub, cultivation, planting gardens, fencing, draining, making roads, sinking wells or water-tanks, constructing water-races, sheep-dips, making embankments or protective works of any kind, in any way improving the character or fertility of the soil, or the erection of any non-movable building.

11. No lessee shall subdivide, sublet, or transfer the land held by him under these regulations, except under and subject to the provisions of Part I. of the said Act.

12. All the provisions of the said Act, so far as applicable, shall extend and apply to the lands affected by these regulations, and to the applications and leases to be made and issued thereunder, and generally to the interests created, and the persons whose rights, liabilities, or interests are thereby affected; and the mention of any particular provision of the said Act shall not be deemed to exclude any other provision of the said Act applicable to the particular case.

DECLARATION TO BE MADE BY APPLICANT.

I, A.B., do solemnly and sincerely declare—

1. That I am of the age of seventeen years and upwards.

2. That I am the person who, subject to the provisions of "The Land Act, 1892," am applying for the purchase of a lease of Section , Block , District.

3. That I am acquiring such lease solely for my own use and benefit, and not directly or indirectly for the use or benefit of any other person or persons whomsoever.

4. That I am not the owner, or lessee, or occupier, directly or indirectly, either by myself or jointly with any other person or persons, of any lands anywhere in the colony exceeding in the whole one acre.

5. That I have not, within one year from the date hereof, surrendered a lease with perpetual right of renewal or lease in perpetuity of the lands for a lease whereof I am now applying.

And I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of an Act of the General Assembly of New Zealand intituled "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

A.B.

Declared at , this day of , 189 , before me— , a Justice of the Peace in and for the Colony of New Zealand.

J. W. A. MARCHANT,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Pastoral Runs, Canterbury, for Lease by Public Auction.

District Lands and Survey Office,
Christchurch, 1st December, 1896.

NOTICE is hereby given that the leases of the under-mentioned pastoral runs will be offered for sale by public auction, at the local Lands and Survey Office, Timaru, on Wednesday, the 20th January, 1897, at noon.

SCHEDULE.

WAIMATE COUNTY.

Run No.	Survey District.	Block.	Area.	Rate per Acre	Upset Annual Rental.	Term of Lease.
217	Waihao	VII., XI.	A. R. P. 283 0 35	d. £ s. d. 4.8 5 13 2	21	Years. 21
218	Waihao	III., VII., VIII.	140 0 0	2.4 1 8 0	21	21

These runs are situated in the Pentland Hills district, adjacent to the Pentland Hills Road, from twelve to sixteen miles north-west from the Waihao Forks Railway-station, and comprise rough, hilly, tussock land, adapted for pastoral purposes.

CONDITIONS.

1. Possession of the run will be given to the purchaser of the license on the day of sale.

2. No person or company may become the holder of more than one run under Part VI. of "The Land Act, 1892": Provided that the holder of any run under the said Act of a carrying-capacity of less than ten thousand sheep or two thousand head of cattle may become the lessee of an aggregate area sufficient to carry such a number of sheep or cattle. The holder of any small grazing-run under Part V. of "The Land Act, 1892," shall not be the holder of any run under Part VI. of the said Act.

3. The license shall be dated on the 1st March, 1897, and shall include, in addition, the whole period between the date of possession and the said 1st March, 1897.

4. The license shall be subject to the following conditions amongst others:—

- (1.) That if the licensee or any person claiming an interest through or under him shall make or cause to be made any agreement or contract, or shall give or cause to be given or taken any negotiable security, for the purpose of defeating or evading the provisions of, or shall in any way whatsoever directly or indirectly commit or be privy to a fraud upon, "The Land Act, 1892," the license shall be liable to be forfeited and revoked;
- (2.) That the licensee shall prevent the destruction or burning of timber or bush on the land comprised in the license;
- (3.) That the licensee shall prevent the growth or spread of gorse, broom, and sweetbriar on the land comprised in the license, and shall with all reasonable speed remove or cause to be removed all gorse, sweetbriar, broom, or other noxious weeds or plants, as may be directed by the Commissioner; and
- (4.) That the licensee shall destroy all rabbits on the land comprised in the license, and shall prevent their increase or spread, to the satisfaction of the Commissioner or an officer appointed by him to inspect the ground.

5. The licensee shall have the exclusive right of pasturage over the lands specified in his license, but shall have no right to the soil or timber or minerals thereon or therein.

6. One half-year's rent and a license-fee of £1 1s. shall be paid on the fall of the hammer, and the purchaser shall make a declaration in terms of section 195 of "The Land Act, 1892." The rent shall be paid half-yearly in advance, on the 1st day of March and the 1st day of September in each year during the term of the license. Should the half-yearly rental at any period not be paid within thirty days, a penalty of 10 per cent. in addition will be enforced.

7. No liability is accepted by or on behalf of the Crown in respect of any fencing existing upon the Crown lands offered for license.

DECLARATION.

I, _____, of _____, do solemnly and sincerely declare,—

1. That I am the person who, subject to the provisions of "The Land Act, 1892," am desirous of becoming the purchaser of a lease or license of pastoral lands.

2. That I am purchasing the lease or license of such land solely for my own use and benefit, and not directly or indirectly for the use or benefit of any other person or persons whomsoever.

3. That I am not the holder of any lease or license in any part of the colony, nor have I any interest in any lease or license in contravention of section 193 of the said Act.

4. That I am not the holder of a small grazing-run in any part of the colony, nor have I any interest in any such run.

And I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of an Act of the General Assembly of New Zealand intituled "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882." (Signature.)

Declared at _____, this _____ day of _____, 18 _____, before me— _____, a Justice of the Peace for the Colony of New Zealand.

Full particulars, plans, forms of declaration, &c., may be obtained on application at the District Lands and Survey Office, Christchurch.

C. B. SHANKS,
Acting Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Lands in Patutahi Township for Lease by Public Auction.

District Lands and Survey Office,
Napier, 1st December, 1896.

THE under-mentioned sections in the Township of Patutahi will be offered for lease by public auction for a term of seven years, at the District Lands and Survey Office, Gisborne, on Wednesday, the 20th January, 1897.

SCHEDULE.

TOWNSHIP OF PATUTAHI.

Sections.	Area.	Term.	Upset Annual Rental.
34 to 42	A. R. P. 2 1 0	7 years ..	£ s. d. 2 5 0
43 to 48	2 1 0	7 ..	2 5 0

Conditions of Lease.—The leases shall be for a term of seven years, commencing from the 1st day of January or July following the date of auction. The successful bidder at the auction shall pay one year's rent on the fall of the hammer. No compensation shall be allowed, nor shall any be claimed, at the termination of the lease, for any improvements effected on the land during the term of lease.

THOS. HUMPHRIES,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Kauri Timber, Auckland, for Sale by Public Auction.

Lands and Survey Office,
Auckland, 1st December, 1896.

IT is hereby notified that the under-mentioned kauri timber, standing upon Section 31, Parish of Oruru, Mangonui County, will be offered for sale by public auction, at this office, on Friday, the 22nd January, 1897, at 11 o'clock a.m.:

108 kauri-trees, containing 510,612 superficial feet approximately. Upset price, £255 6s.

Conditions of Sale.—One-half the purchase-money to be paid in cash or marked cheque on the fall of the hammer, the balance within twelve months thereafter. Two years from date of sale allowed for removal of timber.

GERHARD MUELLER,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Pastoral Run, Southland, for Lease by Public Auction.

District Lands and Survey Office,
Invercargill, 1st December, 1896.

NOTICE is hereby given that the under-mentioned pastoral land will be submitted to public auction, for lease, on Thursday, the 28th January, 1897, at the District Lands and Survey Office, Invercargill, at 11 a.m.

Run No. 149: 8575 acres; term, 10 years; upset annual rental, £71 9s. 2d.

The run will be sold generally in accordance with the provisions of Part VI. of "The Land Act, 1892." Possession will be given on 1st March, 1897.

The purchasers must deposit a statutory declaration required by section 195 of "The Land Act, 1892," and pay the sum of the half-year's rent and license-fee on fall of the hammer.

Valuations for improvements must be paid to the Receiver of Land Revenue, Invercargill, before the licensee will be let into possession. The amount of such valuations shall, exclusive of the value of a rabbit-proof fence, in no case exceed three times the amount of the average annual rental paid under the expiring lease or license during the term thereof, or five times such amount in cases where the annual rent does not exceed £50.

DAVID BARRON,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Land in Auckland for Sale by Public Auction.

District Lands and Survey Office,
Auckland, 10th November, 1896.

NOTICE is hereby given that the under-mentioned lands will be submitted for sale by public auction, at this office, on Friday, the 18th day of December, 1896, at 11 a.m.:

HOBSON COUNTY, PARISH OF OKAHU.

Sections N.E. 149, S.W. 155, and Section 154: Total area, 123 acres 2 roods; total upset price, £311.

Contains about 500,000ft. kauri timber, which can be easily put into the Mangonui River. About ten miles from Mititai Post-office.

WAIPA COUNTY, PARISH OF MANGAPIKO.

Section 310: 49 acres; total upset price, £49. (Offered under section 243, subsection (3), "Land Act, 1892.")

Terms of Sale.—One-fifth of the purchase-money on fall of the hammer, and the balance, with grant-fee, within thirty days thereafter, otherwise the one-fifth paid by way of deposit will be forfeited, and the contract for the sale of the land be null and void.

GERHARD MUELLER,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Pastoral Licenses in the County of Mackenzie for Lease by Public Auction.

District Lands and Survey Office,
Christchurch, 27th October, 1896.

NOTICE is hereby given, in terms of "The Land Act, 1892," and "The Public Reserves Act, 1881," that the under-mentioned pastoral lands will be submitted to public auction, for lease, on Wednesday, the 16th December, 1896, at the Local Lands and Survey Office, Timaru, at 11 a.m.

SCHEDULE.

Pastoral Licenses (under "The Land Act, 1892," and "The Public Reserves Act 1881").

Run No.	Survey District.	Area.	Upset Annual Rental.	Term of License.
215	Cook and Mueller	Acres. 14,000	£ 50	Years. 21
216	Cass	4,550	20	21

Run 215, Birch Hill Station: This run is situated on the west side of the Tasman River, in the Mackenzie country, and adjoins the Mount Cook Hermitage Reserve. The land between the coach-road and the river consists of fairly well-grassed flats, much broken into by large patches of bare gravel; there is also a small flat near the Tasman Glacier, which is covered with tussock, and, in some places, with cocksfoot grass; the remainder of the run consists of mountainous country and steep and rough hill faces, having generally a good aspect; the lower portions of the spurs are well covered with tussock and native grasses, the upper portions are bare and mountainous. Falls of snow and bad weather late in the season make successful rearing of lambs very difficult, but the country is fairly well adapted for carrying a dry flock of merinos. Mr. Sutherland, the late licensee of Birch Hill, states that he will be prepared to negotiate with the purchaser of the new lease of the run for the sale of the 20 acres of freehold, and improvements, comprising, according to his statement, a cottage, woolshed, two huts, sheepyards, and about two miles and three-quarters of fencing.

Run 216: This run is situated on the eastern side of the Tasman River, and lies north-west of and adjacent to the Mount Cook Run No. 83, M. A. Burnett, licensee, and comprises high mountainous country on the Liebig Range, the lower slopes of which are fairly well grassed.

CONDITIONS.

1. Possession of the runs will be given to the purchasers of the license on the day of sale.
2. No person or company may become the holder of more than one run under Part VI. of "The Land Act, 1892": Provided that the holder of any run under the said Act of a carrying-capacity of less than ten thousand sheep or two thousand head of cattle may become the lessee of an aggregate area sufficient to carry such a number of sheep or cattle. The holder of any small grazing-run under Part V. of "The Land Act, 1892," shall not be the holder of any run under Part VI. of the said Act.
3. The licenses shall be dated on the 1st March, 1897, and shall include, in addition, the whole period between the date of possession and the said 1st March, 1897.
4. The licenses shall be subject to the following conditions amongst others:—

- (1.) That, if the licensee, or any person claiming an interest through or under him, shall make or cause to be made any agreement or contract, or shall give or cause to be given or taken any negotiable security, for the purpose of defeating or evading the provisions of, or shall in any way whatsoever directly or indirectly commit or be privy to a fraud upon, "The Land Act, 1892," the license shall be liable to be forfeited and revoked;
- (2.) That the licensee shall prevent the destruction or burning of timber or bush on the land comprised in the license;
- (3.) That the licensee shall prevent the growth or spread of gorse, broom, and sweetbriar on the land comprised in the license, and shall with all reasonable speed remove or cause to be removed all gorse, sweetbriar, broom, or other noxious weeds or plants, as may be directed by the Commissioner; and
- (4.) That the licensee shall destroy all rabbits on the land comprised in the license, and shall prevent their increase or spread, to the satisfaction of the Commissioner or an officer appointed by him to inspect the ground.

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5. The licensee shall have the exclusive right of pasturage over the lands specified in his license, but shall have no right to the soil or timber or minerals thereon or therein.

6. One half-year's rent and a license-fee of £1 ls. shall be paid on the fall of the hammer, and the purchaser shall make a declaration in terms of section 195 of "The Land Act, 1892." The rent shall be paid half-yearly in advance, on the 1st day of March and the 1st day of September in each year during the term of the license. Should the half-yearly rental at any period not be paid within thirty days, a penalty of 10 per cent. in addition will be enforced.

7. No liability is accepted by or on behalf of the Crown in respect of any fencing existing upon the Crown lands offered for license.

DECLARATION.

I, _____, of _____, do solemnly and sincerely declare,—

1. That I am the person who, subject to the provisions of "The Land Act, 1892," am desirous of becoming the purchaser of a lease or license of pastoral lands.

2. That I am purchasing the lease or license of such land solely for my own use and benefit, and not directly or indirectly for the use or benefit of any other person or persons whomsoever.

3. That I am not the holder of any lease or license in any part of the colony, nor have I any interest in any lease or license in contravention of section 193 of the said Act.

4. That I am not the holder of a small grazing run in any part of the colony, nor have I any interest in any such run.

And I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of an Act of the General Assembly of New Zealand intituled "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882." (Signature.)

Declared at _____, this _____ day of _____, 18 _____, before me— _____, a Justice of the Peace for the Colony of New Zealand.

Full particulars, plans, forms of declaration, &c., may be obtained on application at the District Lands and Survey Office, Christchurch.

J. W. A. MARCHANT,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Rural Land, Southland, open for Selection on Perpetual Lease.

District Lands and Survey Office,
Invercargill, 30th September, 1896.

THE under-mentioned Crown land, having been surrendered in terms of section 156 of "The Land Act, 1885," will be open for selection on perpetual lease on and after Thursday, the 10th December, 1896. If more than one application be received for the section on the same day, then the order of selection shall be decided by ballot on the following day, at 11 a.m.

SCHEDULE.

SOUTHLAND COUNTY.—WENDONSIDE SURVEY DISTRICT.

First-class Land.

Sec.	Block.	Area.	Perpetual Lease.		Valuation for Improvements.
			Rent per Acre.	Half-yearly Rent.	
13	II.	A. R. P. 263 0 13	s. d. 1 0	£ s. d. 6 11 7	£ s. d. 106 10 0

This section is situated about ten miles from Riversdale Railway-station by road. Open land, soil good. About 60 acres in English grasses, and 90 acres ploughed, first furrow. 134 chains of fencing.

The improvements have to be paid for in cash on the day on which the application is approved; if balloted for, at the time of ballot.

G. W. WILLIAMS,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

First-class Land, Ashburton County, open for Selection on Lease in Perpetuity.

District Lands and Survey Office,
Christchurch, 8th October, 1896.

THE under-mentioned Crown land will be open for selection on lease in perpetuity, at the District Lands and Survey Office, Christchurch, on Wednesday, the 9th day of December, 1896.

If more than one application be received on the same day, then the order of selection shall be decided by ballot on the following day, at 11 a.m.

SCHEDULE.

ASHBURTON COUNTY.—HIGHBANK ESTATE.—CORWAR SURVEY DISTRICT.

Section.	Block.	Area.	Lease in Perpetuity: Rent, 5 per Cent.		
			Rent per Acre per Annum.	Half-yearly Rent.	
		A. R. P.	s. d.	£	s. d.
47	II.	422 2 8	5 6	57	12 9

This section is a portion of the Highbank Estate, situated on the southern side of the Rakaiā River, about sixteen miles inland from Rakaiā Township and Railway Township; altitude, about 900ft.; all flat; soil good, but lighter than other portions of the estate. More than one-half of the section is in grass. The fences comprise 46 chains of inferior gorse hedge on the south-east boundary, 146 chains of post, standard, and wire fencing on the north-east and south-west boundaries, and 71 chains of subdivisional fences.

TERMS AND CONDITIONS.

1. The lease shall be for a term of 999 years, to be reckoned from the next 1st day of January or July following the date thereof, and shall in addition include the period between the date of lease and such day.

2. The half-yearly rental stated above shall be the price at which the land shall be open for selection, and shall be payable in advance, on the 1st day of January and 1st day of July in each year, to the Receiver of Land Revenue, Christchurch.

3. Applications for the lease shall be made in manner as provided in Part I. of "The Land Act, 1892"; and all such applications shall be addressed to the Commissioner of Crown Lands, Christchurch; and a lease will be issued in accordance with the provisions of Part I. aforesaid.

4. The day on which the land shall be first open for selection shall be Wednesday, the 9th day of December, 1896.

5. Every applicant shall make the declaration prescribed, and shall, immediately after the application has been approved, deposit a sum equal to one half-year's rent of the land applied for. Such payment shall be in discharge of the half-year's rent due on the 1st day of January or July following the date of application. He shall also pay the sum of £1 1s. for the preparation of the lease and the registration thereof.

6. No person shall be allowed to acquire or to hold more than one section, and no person who is the owner of any land, or the occupier of any land the tenancy of which is for more than one year from the date of application, any or all of which land together with the land applied for would exceed in area 640 acres, shall be capable of applying for or holding any section.

7. When more applications than one are made on the same day the right to occupy the land shall be decided by ballot.

8. The lessee must reside on the land selected within one year from the date of selection, and thereafter such residence shall be continuous for a period of ten years. The Land Board may dispense with residence if the lessee reside and continue to reside on lands contiguous to the lands held under lease.

9. The lessee shall put on the land comprised in his lease substantial improvements as under:—

(a.) Within one year from the date of his lease, to a value equal to 2½ per cent. of the price of the land;

(b.) Within two years from the date of his lease, to a value equal to another 2½ per cent. of the price of the land;

(c.) And within six years from the date of his lease, to a value equal to another 2½ per cent. of the price of the land;

and in addition thereto shall, within six years from the date of his lease, put substantial improvements of a permanent character to the value of £1 for every acre of first-class land.

Improvements existing on the land at the date of lease shall be deemed to be improvements made under this clause.

Substantial improvements of a permanent character mean and include reclamation from swamps, clearing of gorse, broom, sweetbriar, or scrub, cultivation, planting gardens, fencing, draining, making roads, sinking wells or water-tanks, constructing water-races, sheep-dips, making embankments or protective works of any kind, or in any way improving the character or fertility of the soil, and include the erection of any non-movable building.

10. The lessee must fence the land with a ring-fence within the second year of the term, and such fence must be sufficient to comply in all respects with "The Fencing Act, 1895," or any other law to regulate the fencing of land which shall for the time being be in force; and shall at least every second year properly cut and trim all live fences now on the land, or which may be planted upon the land during the term, and stub all gorse not growing as fences, and also stub all broom, sweetbriar, and other noxious plants. Existing boundary-fences shall be considered as sufficient.

11. The lessee must not take more than three crops, one of which must be a root-crop, from the same land in succession; and either with or immediately after a third crop of any kind the land must be sown down with good permanent cultivated grasses and clovers, and be allowed to remain as pasture for at least three years from the harvesting of last crop before being again cropped.

12. The lessee must not cut the cultivated grass or clover for hay or seed the first year of the course.

13. At all times during the lease the land must be so farmed that not less than one-third of the farm shall be maintained in permanent pasture.

14. The lessee must not burn any straw grown upon the land.

15. The lessee must once a year properly clean, clear from weeds, and keep open all creeks, drains, ditches, and water-courses which now are or may be upon the land, and the Land Board shall have the power at any time to enter upon and make, or authorise the construction of, any drain through the land that it may deem necessary.

16. The plantations of shrubs or timber-trees now growing on the land, or which may hereafter be planted by any lessee, shall be protected by fences until they can be no longer injured by cattle or other animals. The lessee shall have no right to cut down any tree or shrub, unless for the purpose of thinning, without the consent of the Commissioner of Crown Lands; but he shall have a right to trim, lop, and dress according to the best methods of silviculture. For every tree cut down the lessee shall, in the proper season, plant another in or near the plantation so cut down, or in some other new plantation, as may be agreed on.

17. In the event of the lessee failing to comply with any of the covenants hereinbefore mentioned relating to the plantations, to the trimming of live fences, and stubbing gorse, broom, and sweetbriar, and to the cleaning, clearing from weeds, and keeping open all creeks, drains, ditches, and watercourses, it shall be lawful for the Commissioner of Crown Lands to have such work done, and to recover the cost of the same from the lessee.

18. All buildings, fences, and other improvements erected upon the land shall be kept in good order and repair.

19. The lessee shall be liable for all rates, taxes, and assessments during the term.

20. A right to search for and take gravel or stone for making or maintaining roads from the land disposed of is reserved. Payment to be made for surface-damage only.

21. Subject as aforesaid, the provisions of "The Land Act, 1892," and regulations made thereunder with respect to applications for and the grant of leases in perpetuity, shall apply, so far as applicable, to all applications for leases under "The Land for Settlements Act, 1894."

Declaration on applying for a Lease.

I, A.B., do solemnly and sincerely declare,—

1. That I am of the age of seventeen years and upwards.

2. That I am the person who, subject to the provisions of "The Land Act, 1892," "The Land for Settlements Act, 1894," and the regulations made thereunder, am applying for a lease of Section , Block , District.

3. That I am acquiring such lease solely for my own use and benefit, and not directly or indirectly for the use or benefit of any other person or persons whomsoever.

4. That, including the lands now applied for, I am not the owner, tenant, or occupier, directly or indirectly, either by myself or jointly with any other person or persons, of any lands anywhere in the colony exceeding in the whole 640 acres of first-class land other than a tenancy expiring within one year from this date.

And I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of an Act of the General Assembly of New Zealand intituled "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1892." A.B.

Declared at , this day of , 189 , before me—C.D., a Justice of the Peace in and for the Colony of New Zealand.

* 320 acres in the case of a married woman.

J. W. A. MARCHANT,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Pastoral Runs, Southland, for Lease by Public Auction.

Department of Lands and Survey,
District Office, Invercargill, 24th October, 1896.

IT is hereby notified that the under-mentioned pastoral lands will be submitted, as temporary licenses under section 219 of "The Land Act, 1892," to public auction, at this office, on Thursday, the 24th day of December, 1896, at 11 a.m.

Run No.	Survey District.	Area.	Term.	Upset Rental.
517	Monowai and Lillburn	Acres. 3,280	Years. 3	Per Annum. £27 6s. 8d.
518	Ditto ..	2,800	3	£17 10s.
519	Lillburn ..	3,400	3	£21 5s.

DESCRIPTION.

Run 517: Soil light, with shingle bottom; good sprinkling of English grasses, the remainder red tussock; well watered; height above sea-level, from 200ft. to 400ft.; distance from Otautau, about thirty miles.

Run 518: Broken pastoral country; well watered; covered with good native grasses; height above sea-level, from 400ft. to 600ft.; distance from Otautau, about thirty-three miles.

Run 519: Broken pastoral country; soil heavy, with clay bottom; well watered, and covered with good native grasses; height above sea-level, from 350ft. to 800ft.; distance from Otautau, about thirty miles.

Possession will be given on the day of sale.

Purchasers must deposit the statutory declaration required by section 195 of "The Land Act, 1892," and pay the sum of the first half-year's rent and license-fee on the fall of the hammer.

G. W. WILLIAMS,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Lands in the Town of Cambridge for Lease by Public Auction.

District Lands and Survey Office,
Auckland, 27th October, 1896.

NOTICE is hereby given that the under-mentioned reserves in Cambridge West Town will be submitted at auction, for leasing under "The Public Reserves Act, 1881," for a term of fourteen years, at the Crown Lands Office, Auckland, on Friday, the 18th day of December, 1896, at 11 a.m.

TOWN OF CAMBRIDGE WEST.

Lots 69 and 70: 5 acres 1 rood 27 perches; upset annual rent, 16s. 6d.

Lots 148, 150: 2 acres 1 rood 20 perches; upset annual rent, 9s.

Lot 198: 3 acres; annual rent, 9s.

Lot 570: 8 acres; annual rent, £1 4s.

Lot 569: 17 acres; upset annual rent, £2 11s.

Term of lease, fourteen years, without right of renewal. No compensation will be allowed for improvements during either the currency or at the termination of the lease. Lessees will have the right to remove all fences or buildings erected during tenancy.

GERHARD MUELLER,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Small Grazing-run, Auckland, open for Application.

District Lands and Survey Office,
Auckland, 10th November, 1896.

NOTICE is hereby given that the under-mentioned small grazing-run will be open for lease on application on and after Wednesday, the 23rd day of December, 1896, at the rental noted. In the event of more than one application being received on the same day, priority of selection will be decided by ballot on the following day, at 11 a.m.

SECOND-CLASS PASTORAL COUNTRY.

All that parcel of land in the Land District of Auckland, containing by admeasurement 2,769 acres, more or less, situate in Blocks I., II., and V., Whangarei Survey District, and bounded towards the north by Forest Reserve, 15750 links; towards the east by the Kopuatoetoe Block, 2654 links, and the Waitangi River; towards the south generally by the Te Maruata Block, 11150 links and 648 links, the Putanui River, and the Reretiti Block, 1522 links and 4590 links; towards the west by the Mangakino River and the Kahakaharoa No. 2 Block, 384 links, 4024 links, and 2050

links: as the same is delineated on the plan deposited in the office of the Chief Surveyor, Auckland. Annual rent, £25.

GERHARD MUELLER,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Pastoral Run, Southland, for Lease by Public Auction under Part VI. of "The Land Act, 1892."

Department of Lands and Survey,
District Office, Invercargill, 19th October, 1896.

IT is hereby notified that the under-mentioned pastoral land will be submitted to public auction, at this office, on Thursday, the 24th day of December, 1896, at 11 a.m.

Run No.	Survey District.	Area.	Term.	Upset Rental.
214A	Blocks I., III., and IV., Noko-mai	A. R. P. 4,818 0 0	10 years	£ s. d. 20 0 0

Valuation for fencing, 180 chains, £27.

This run is situated about one mile and a half from Athol Township by main road. The country is high and broken, of slate formation, and fairly grassed with white tussock, mostly well watered. Height above sea-level ranges from 900ft. to 3,300ft.

Possession will be given on the day of sale.

Purchasers must deposit the statutory declaration required by section 195 of "The Land Act, 1892," and pay the sum of the first half-year's rent and license-fee on the fall of the hammer. The valuation for improvements must be paid to the Receiver of Land Revenue, Invercargill, before the licensee will be let into possession.

G. W. WILLIAMS,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Leases of Building-sites for Sale by Public Tender in Terms of "The Public Reserves Act, 1881."

District Lands and Survey Office,
Wellington, 3rd November, 1896.

IT is hereby notified that tenders for the leases of the under-mentioned allotments will be received at this office up to 4 o'clock p.m. on Monday, the 21st of December, 1896. Plans and form of lease can be seen at this office. The term of the leases will be fourteen years. No allowance whatever shall be payable on account of improvements effected by the lessee. A deposit of a half-year's rent at the rate tendered, and £1 1s. lease-fee, must be enclosed with each tender. The highest or any tender will not necessarily be accepted.

SCHEDULE.

ALLOTMENTS IN SECTION 268, BLOCK I., MOUTERE.

Allotment.	Area.	Upset Annual Rental.	Allotment.	Area.	Upset Annual Rental.
1	A. R. P. 0 0 20	£ s. d. 0 10 0	17	A. R. P. 0 0 20	£ s. d. 0 10 0
2	0 0 20	0 10 0	18	0 0 20	0 10 0
3	0 1 0	1 0 0	19	0 2 0	2 0 0
4	0 0 20	0 10 0	21	0 1 0	1 0 0
5	0 0 20	0 10 0	22	0 1 0	1 0 0
6	0 0 20	0 10 0	23	0 0 20	0 10 0
7	0 0 20	0 10 0	24	0 0 20	0 10 0
8	0 2 0	2 0 0	25	0 0 20	0 10 0
10	0 1 0	1 0 0	26	0 0 20	0 10 0
11	0 1 0	1 0 0	27	0 0 20	0 10 0
12	0 1 0	1 0 0	28	0 1 0	1 0 0
13	0 0 20	0 10 0	29	0 1 0	1 0 0
14	0 0 20	0 10 0	30	0 0 20	0 10 0
15	0 0 20	0 10 0	31	0 0 20	0 10 0
16	0 0 20	0 10 0			

These allotments are situated at the mouth of the Manawatu River, about three miles from Foxton, and are known as the "Foxton Health Resort."

J. W. A. MARCHANT,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Rural Lands in Taranaki open for Sale or Selection.

District Lands and Survey Office, New Plymouth, 1st December, 1896.

THE under-mentioned Crown lands will be open for sale or selection, in terms of section 136 of "The Land Act, 1892," either for cash, for occupation with right of purchase, or for lease in perpetuity, at the option of the selector, on and after Wednesday, 3rd February, 1897.

If more than one application be received for the same section on the same day, then the order of selection shall be decided by ballot on the following day, at 11 a.m., at the District Lands and Survey Office, New Plymouth.

SCHEDULE.

County.	District.	Section.	Block.	Area.	Cash Price.		Occupation with Right of Purchase: Rent, 5 per Cent.		Lease in Perpetuity: Rent, 4 per Cent.	
					Per Acre.	Total Price.	Rent per Acre.	Half-yearly Rent.	Rent per Acre.	Half-yearly Rent.
FIRST-CLASS LAND.										
Hawera ..	Ngaire ..	40	XI.	A. 230 0 0	R. 3 8 6	P. £ 787 15 0	s. 3 5.1	d. 19 14 0	s. 2 8.8	d. 15 15 0
" ..	" ..	42	"	A. 249 0 0	R. 3 7 0	P. £ 834 3 0	s. 3 4.2	d. 20 17 0	s. 2 8.1	d. 16 13 8
Clifton ..	Ngatimaru ..	3	VII.	A. 200 0 0	R. 1 5 2.1	P. £ 251 15 0	s. 1 9.1	d. 6 5 11	s. 1 0.08	d. 5 0 8
Stratford ..	Egmont ..	12	XVI.	A. 24 0 0	R. 1 11 4	P. £ 37 12 0	s. 1 6.8	d. 0 18 10	s. 1 8.04	d. 0 15 1
" ..	" ..	18	"	A. 121 0 0	R. 1 8 10	P. £ 174 8 6	s. 1 5.8	d. 4 7 8	s. 1 1.8	d. 8 9 4
SECOND-CLASS LAND.										
Clifton ..	Ngatimaru ..	14	I.	A. 540 0 0	R. 0 17 6	P. £ 472 10 0	s. 0 10.5	d. 11 16 3	s. 0 8.4	d. 9 9 0
" ..	" ..	25	V.	A. 430 0 0	R. 0 17 6	P. £ 376 5 0	s. 0 10.5	d. 9 8 2	s. 0 8.4	d. 7 10 6
" ..	Upper Waitara	7	"	A. 360 0 0	R. 0 18 5	P. £ 331 10 0	s. 0 11.05	d. 8 5 9	s. 0 8.84	d. 6 12 8

Section 40, Block XI., Ngaire.—123 acres open swamp, with a little bush-swamp; balance of section good soil, with timber consisting of rata, rimu, &c.; frontage to Rawhitiroa Road, which is formed. Weighted with £18 7s. 6d., valuation for improvements, to be paid with application.

Section 42, Block XI., Ngaire.—102 acres open swamp, remainder forest, consisting of rata, rimu, &c.; good soil; easy country, with a little, rough, narrow strip on boundary of Mangamingi Block; frontage within 30 chains of Rawhitiroa Road.

Section 3, Block VII., Ngatimaru.—About 10 acres flat, balance rough land; papa formation, well watered; timber consists of rata, rimu, tawa, &c., with usual undergrowth. Weighted with £15 for felling and grassing of 15 acres of bush, to be paid with application.

Section 12, Block XVI., Egmont.—All flat, well-watered country; volcanic formation; covered with bush, consisting of rimu, rata, tawa, &c., with usual undergrowth; the York Road from Manganui Railway-station is formed to the section; the soil is of fair quality.

Section 18, Block XVI., Egmont.—All flat, well-watered country; fair quality of soil; volcanic formation; timber consists of rimu, rata, tawa, &c., with usual undergrowth. Weighted with £4 7s. 6d., valuation for improvements, which must be paid with application.

Section 14, Block I., Ngatimaru.—All rough, pastoral land; papa formation, well watered; timber is chiefly rimu, rata, tawa, with usual undergrowth.

Section 25, Block V., Ngatimaru.—All rough, pastoral land; papa formation, well watered; timber is the same as on preceding section.

Section 7, Block V., Upper Waitara.—All forest; fair pastoral country, well watered; papa formation; small flat on frontage; the timber is principally rata, rimu, tawa, with usual undergrowth; the Kaka Road is formed for horse traffic to the section.

JOHN STRAUCHON,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Bankruptcy Notices.

In Bankruptcy.—In the Supreme Court, holden at Auckland.

NOTICE is hereby given that HENRIETTA FRANCES GOOD, of Auckland, Married Woman, was this day adjudged bankrupt; and I hereby summon a meeting of creditors, to be holden at my office, on Thursday, the 3rd day of December, 1896, at 11 o'clock.

26th November, 1896.

J. LAWSON,
Official Assignee.

In Bankruptcy.—In the District Court of Wanganui, holden at Palmerston North.

NOTICE is hereby given that WILLIAM STICKLAND MILVERTON, of Pohangina, Storekeeper, was this day adjudged bankrupt; and I hereby summon a meeting of creditors, to be holden at my office, on the 10th day of December, 1896, at 2.30 o'clock.

G. J. SCOTT,
Deputy Official Assignee.
Palmerston North, 1st December, 1896.

In Bankruptcy.—In the District Court of Wanganui, holden at Palmerston North.

NOTICE is hereby given that ARTHUR JOHN THORBURN, of Palmerston North, Labourer, was this day adjudged bankrupt; and I hereby summon a meeting of creditors, to be holden at my office, on the 8th day of December, 1896, at 2.30 o'clock.

G. J. SCOTT,
Deputy Official Assignee.
Palmerston North, 28th November, 1896.

In Bankruptcy.—In the District Court, holden at Greymouth.

NOTICE is hereby given that PATRICK MOHAN, Miner, of Barrytown, was this day adjudged bankrupt; and I hereby summon a meeting of creditors, to be holden at my office, on the 2nd day of December, 1896, at 11 o'clock a.m.

G. S. SMITH,
Deputy Official Assignee.
Greymouth, 24th November, 1896.

Native Land Court Notices.

"The Native Land Court Act, 1894."—Application under Section 55.

Registrar's Office, Auckland, 28th November, 1896.

NOTICE is hereby given that application has been made to a Commissioner of the Court for a certificate under section 55 of "The Native Land Court Act, 1894," confirming the alienation hereunder specified. All objections to the granting of such certificate must be lodged with me within fourteen days from the publication of this notice.

JAS. W. BROWNE, Registrar.

THE ALIENATION ABOVE REFERRED TO.

No.	Nature of Alienation.	Date.	Name of Land.	Names of Parties.
1	Mortgage (C.A. 96-77) ..	16th November, 1896	Lot 9, Parish of Waioeka	Benjamin Walker, of Opotiki, farmer (half-caste), to the Government Advances to Settlers Office Superintendent.

"The Horowhenua Block Act, 1896."

Native Land Court Office, Wellington, 1st December, 1896.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Native Appellate Court will sit at Wellington on Tuesday, the 22nd day of December, 1896, to hear and determine the application set forth in the Schedule hereto. All persons interested are hereby notified to attend at the time and place aforesaid.

EDWARD BUCKLE, Registrar.

[Wellington, 96-111.]

SCHEDULE.

APPLICATION UNDER SUBSECTION (c) OF SECTION 8 OF "THE HOROWHENUA BLOCK ACT, 1896."

No.	Name of Applicant.	Name of Land.	Name of Deceased.
1	Rangipo Mete Paetahi (O. 83-15, Rhg. 2/225)	Part of Horowhenua No. 11 (State Farm, Levin)	Kawana Hunia.

Application for Letters of Administration.

Native Land Court Office, Wellington, 26th November, 1896.

In the matter of the will of RIA MARU, of Hokitika, deceased.

APPLICATION having been made by Henare Meihana that letters of administration 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.

EDWARD BUCKLE, Registrar.

PARTICULARS of the Estates of Deceased Persons which have been placed under the Charge of the PUBLIC TRUSTEE for Management during the Month of November, 1896.

No.	Name of Deceased.	Colonial Residence.	Supposed British or Foreign Residence.	Date of Order, or Date of Filing of Election to administer.	Value or Estimated Value of Estate (gross).	Time of Deceased's Death.	Remarks.
1	Allan, John ..	Opoaruri ..	Scotland ..	14 Nov., 1896	Under £15	25 Sept., 1896	Relatives known.
2	Braggins, Thomas William	Greytown ..	.. ..	26 Nov., 1896	" £180	2 Dec., 1887	Relatives known.
3	Brooks, Charles ..	Mangonui ..	England ..	18 Nov., 1896	" £20	19 Aug., 1896	Relatives known.
4	Brown, Ellen ..	Foxton ..	.. ..	3 Nov., 1896	" £50	17 Sept., 1896	Will annexed.
5	Currie, John ..	Riversdale ..	Scotland ..	26 Nov., 1896	" £16	30 Sept., 1896	Relatives known.
6	Doherty, John ..	Seacliff ..	.. ..	26 Nov., 1896	" £52	29 May, 1886	Relatives known.
7	Goodall, Arthur Stanley	Coromandel ..	.. ..	28 Nov., 1896	" £17	6 Oct., 1896	Relatives known.
8	Harris, Magdalen Shirer	Marton ..	.. ..	24 Nov., 1896	" £100	20 Mar., 1895	Relatives known.
9	Henderson, Sarah ..	Wellington ..	Scotland ..	26 Nov., 1896	" £27	14 Oct., 1896	..
10	Holland, Richard ..	Waihi ..	.. ..	18 Nov., 1896	" £38	20 Oct., 1896	Relatives known.
11	Knox, Frederick John	Feilding ..	Edinburgh ..	17 Nov., 1896	" £266	17 Oct., 1896	Relatives known.
12	Lysaght, Frederick Joseph	Waihi ..	.. ..	18 Nov., 1896	" £85	7 Oct., 1896	Relatives known.
13	Mason, Vance ..	Waituna West ..	Dublin ..	26 Nov., 1896	" £55	13 Oct., 1896	Relatives known.
14	Mulcahy, Patrick ..	Flat Camp, Poroti	Ireland ..	18 Nov., 1896	" £30	5 Aug., 1896	..
15	McDowall, Mary ..	Wellington ..	.. ..	6 Nov., 1896	" £380	9 Oct., 1896	Probate.
16	McRae, Alexander	Sydney ..	.. ..	10 Nov., 1896	" £40	8 Aug., 1893	Relatives known.
17	Thomson, Richard	Ryal Bush ..	Ireland ..	26 Nov., 1896	" £6	17 Oct., 1896	Relatives known.
18	Wallace, Agnes ..	Southbrook ..	.. ..	6 Nov., 1896	" £82	31 Mar., 1896	Relatives known.

Dated the 1st day of December, 1896.

JAMES C. MARTIN,
Public Trustee.

THE accompanying tables, showing the result of the census taken in April last as regards fruit-preserving and jam-making; sauce- and pickle-making; fishing, oyster gathering and dredging, are published for general information.

E. J. VON DADELSZEN, Registrar-General.

FRUIT-PRESERVING AND JAM-MAKING.

TABLE showing the Number of Fruit-preserving Works and Jam-factories in Operation in April, 1896, the Number of Hands employed, the Quantity and Value of the Manufactures for the Year 1895, and the Approximate Value of Land, Buildings, Machinery, and Plant.

Provincial Districts.	Number of Works.	Hands employed.		Wages paid.		Machine-power used.	Amount of Horse-power.	Value of Materials used in 1895.	Manufactures for the Year 1895.						Total Value of Manufactures.	Approximate Value of		
		M.	F.	M.	F.	Steam.			Fruit bottled or preserved.		Jam made.		Other Preserves.			Land.	Buildings.	Machinery and Plant.
									Quantity.	Value.	Quantity.	Value.	Quantity.	Value.				
Auckland*	13	37	54	£	£		H.P.	£	lb	£	lb	£	lb	£	£	£	£	£
Taranaki	1	1	..	717	690	3	16	7,051	71,790	1,660	666,508	8,927	51,590	1,065	11,652	2,550	5,030	1,577
Hawke's Bay	1	1	2	4,384	760	3	61	13,491	1,000	16	1,263,550	24,428	528	12	24,456	1,954	4,835	2,921
Nelson	1	16	4															
Canterbury	3	3	1															
Otago	3	45	29															
Totals, 1895	22	103	90	5,101	1,450	6	77	20,542	72,790	1,676	1,930,058	33,355	52,118	1,077	36,108	4,504	9,865	4,498
Totals, 1890	15	74	43	3,781	961	5	33	13,413	56,188	1,166	1,250,238	25,985	7,920	104	27,255	2,975	3,305	3,762

* One in connection with fish-canning establishment.

SAUCE- AND PICKLE-MAKING.

TABLE showing the Number of Sauce- and Pickle-making Establishments in Operation in April, 1896, the Hands employed, the Amount paid in Wages, the Quantity and Value of Manufactures for the Year 1895, and the Approximate Value of Land, Buildings, Machinery, and Plant.

Provincial Districts.	Number of Works.	Hands employed		Wages paid.		Machine-power used	Amount of Horse-power.	Value of Materials used in 1895.	Manufactures for the Year 1895.						Total Value of Manufactures.	Approximate Value of		
		M.	F.	M.	F.	Steam.			Sauces.		Pickles.		Other Condiments.	Land.		Buildings.	Machinery and Plant.	
									Quantity.	Value.	Quantity.	Value.						
Auckland	11	15	11	£	£	1	H.P.	£	Doz. Pints.	£	Doz. Pints.	£	£	£	£	£	£	
Hawke's Bay	1	1	..	394	..	..	..	957	2,279	792	1,035	391	1,138	2,321	800	450	60
Wellington	3	5	1	1,140	498	2	52	6,030	12,916	4,140	8,830	3,102	1,332	8,574	1,200	1,510	929	
Canterbury	6	18	9															
Otago	3	5	3															
Totals, 1895	24	44	24	1,835	622	3	57	7,934	20,539	6,229	9,949	3,793	3,395	13,417	5,175	5,160	1,574	
Totals, 1890	12	22	19	1,078	555	1	1	2,713	25,213	4,366	4,128	1,393	648	6,407	1,885	2,325	886	

FISHING, OYSTER GATHERING AND DREDGING.

TABLE showing the Fishing and Oyster-getting Industries in New Zealand on the 12th April, 1896; Number of Hands, Number and Value of Boats and Nets, and Value of Buildings.

Provincial Districts.	Fishing, &c., carried on			Total Number of Persons employed.	Number paid by Wages (included in previous column).	Annual Amount paid in Wages.	Fishing.					Oyster Gathering and Dredging.				Value of Buildings (if any) used for Fishing Purposes.	Remarks.
	By Single Persons.	By Partnerships or Companies.	Total.				Boats used.			Nets used.		Boats used.		Dredges used.			
							Number.	Tonnage.	Value.	Number.	Value.	Number.	Value.	Number.	Value.		
Auckland	25	8	33	128	92	£ 4,915	61	222	£ 3,295	98	£ 501	3	£ 300	..	£ ..	£ 1,447	Fifteen boats (aggregate value, £300; total tonnage, 45 tons), owned by Maoris, and used for oyster-gathering, are not included.
Wellington	21	20	41	85	11	520	63	124	1,184	342	1,088	..	..	..	..	58
Marlborough	14	12	26	55	3	120	42	90	759	112	324	2	28	2	6	79	
Nelson and Westland	11	5	16	28	4	100	18	34	225	47	121	7	295	14	10	13	
Canterbury	40	15	55	105	34	1,296	68	115	1,215	931	1,349	..	..	..	..	75
Otago	40	145	185	687	98	5,129	293	762	7,884	421	1,754	11	2,450	22	85	1,835	
Totals, 1895	151	205	356	1,088	242	12,080	545	1,347	14,562	1,951	5,137	23	3,073	38	101	3,507	
Totals, 1890	123	130	253	667	214	15,769	418	788	8,428	1,340	4,638	13	3,124	22	85	3,993	

Mining Notices.

I, the undersigned, hereby make application to register the Cadman Gold-mining Company as a no-liability company under the provisions of "The Mining Companies Act, 1894."

1. The name of the company is to be the Cadman Gold-mining Company (No Liability).
2. The place of operations (or intended operations) is at Kennedy Bay.
3. The registered office of the company will be situated at Bank of New Zealand Buildings, Auckland.
4. The value of the company's property, including claim or lease ground and machinery, is one hundred and fifty pounds.
5. The number of shares in the company is ninety thousand, of one shilling each.
6. The number of shares subscribed for is ninety thousand.
7. The name of the Manager is George Elliot.
8. The names and addresses and occupations of the shareholders, and the number of shares held by each at this date, are as below:—

	No. of Shares.
Smith, F. W., Auckland, Grain Merchant ..	3,000
Roth, Hermann, Auckland, Masseur ..	3,000
Humphries, Edward, New Plymouth, Agent ..	3,000
Thornes, Joseph, Auckland, Land Agent ..	7,000
Elliot, William, Auckland, Agent ..	11,500
Elliot, George, Auckland, Agent ..	1,500
Bluck, M. T. N., Auckland, Broker ..	4,500
Paul, James, New Plymouth, Brewer ..	3,000
Hutchen, David, New Plymouth, Solicitor ..	3,000
Dufaur, E. T., Auckland, Solicitor ..	1,000
Bruce, W. E., Auckland, Solicitor ..	1,000
Rhodes, T. W., Coromandel, Journalist ..	10,000
Gatland, H. G., Coromandel, Compositor ..	4,000
Gentil, A. H., Coromandel, Agent ..	1,000
Gordon, F. W., Auckland, Surgeon ..	750
Smith, J. T., Whangapoua, Blacksmith ..	1,500
Elliot, George, Auckland, Agent (in trust) ..	11,250
Elliot, George, Auckland, Agent (in trust) ..	7,500
Elliot, George, Auckland, Agent (in trust) ..	2,750
Hudson, C., Auckland, Clerk ..	750
Fletcher, J., Onehunga, Mariner ..	1,500
MoIsaacs, Wm., Whitianga, Miner ..	1,500
Stevens, James, Auckland, Mariner ..	1,000
MoIsaacs, Joseph, Whangapoua, Storekeeper ..	1,500
Webb, J. H., Auckland, Gentleman ..	1,000
Tighe, J. W., Auckland, Gentleman ..	1,000
Bluck, M. T. N., Auckland, Broker (in trust) ..	500
Jones, Frederick, Buckland, Farmer ..	500
Anderson, C. R., Auckland, Clerk ..	500
Total	90,000

Dated this 30th day of September, 1896.
 GEORGE ELLIOT, Manager.
 Witness to signature—E. Sheppard.

I, George Elliot, do solemnly and sincerely declare that—

1. I am the Manager of the said intended company.
 2. The above statement is, to the best of my belief and knowledge, true in every particular.
- And I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of an Act of the General Assembly of New Zealand intituled "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

GEORGE ELLIOT.
 Taken before me, at Auckland, this 30th day of September, 1896—H. G. Seth Smith, a Solicitor of the Supreme Court of New Zealand. 1268

TAITAPU GOLD ESTATES (LIMITED).

NOTICE is hereby given that the Office of the above company has been removed to Parkeston, West Wanganui, in the Provincial District of Nelson, which will in future be the place of business of the said company.
 JAMES COUTTS,
 Attorney, Taitapu Gold Estates (Limited).
 Nelson, 27th November, 1896. 1266

NORMAN PROPRIETARY GOLD-MINES (LIMITED).

NOTICE is hereby given, pursuant to the provisions of "The Foreign Companies Act, 1884," and "The Mining Act, 1891," that the Office or place of business in the colony of the above-named company is at the office, at No. 28, Shortland Street, in the City of Auckland, of Mr. William Henry Churton, the Colonial Registrar of the said company.
 HESKETH AND RICHMOND,
 Solicitors for the said Company. 1215

In the matter of "The Mining Companies Act, 1894," and of the Golden Butterfly Gold-mining Company (No Liability).

NOTICE is hereby given that the situation of the Registered Office of the Golden Butterfly Gold-mining Company (No Liability) is at Room 14, Government Life Insurance Buildings, 107, Queen Street, in the City of Auckland.
 Dated at Auckland, this 25th day of November, 1896.

GEO. S. GRAHAM, Manager.
 Signed by the said George Samuel Graham in the presence of—John Sinclair, Solicitor, Auckland. 1269

I, the undersigned, hereby make application to register the De Hirsch Gold-mining Company as a no-liability company under the provisions of "The Mining Companies Act, 1894."

1. The name of the company is to be De Hirsch Gold-mining Company (No Liability).
2. The place of operations (or intended operations) is at Port Charles.
3. The registered office of the company will be situated at Hobson's Buildings, Auckland.
4. The value of the company's property, including claim or lease ground and machinery, is one thousand pounds.
5. The number of shares in the company is twenty-four thousand, of two shillings each.
6. The number of shares subscribed for is twenty-four thousand.
7. The name of the Manager is Seering Hall Matthews.
8. The names and addresses and occupations of the shareholders, and the number of shares held by each at this date, are as below:—

	No. of Shares.
Carter, A. O., Auckland, Butcher ..	1,000
Chapman, Harry, Port Charles, Miner ..	4,000
Hellaby, William, Auckland, Butcher ..	8,000
Hopkins, R. H., Auckland, Merchant ..	1,000
Nelson, D., Onehunga, Butcher ..	1,000
Mills, Charles, Coromandel, Mining Agent ..	2,000
Stimpson, Walter, Auckland, Hotelkeeper ..	1,000
Swindley, Frederick, Coromandel, Gentleman ..	3,000
Swindley, A. R. H., Coromandel, Agent ..	500
Matthews, S. H., Auckland, Mining Agent (in trust) ..	2,500
Total	24,000

Dated this 19th day of November, 1896.
 SEERING H. MATTHEWS,
 Manager.

Witness to signature—S. Saunders.

I, Seering Hall Matthews, do solemnly and sincerely declare that—

1. I am the Manager of the said intended company.
 2. The above statement is, to the best of my belief and knowledge, true in every particular.
- And I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of an Act of the General Assembly of New Zealand intituled "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

SEERING H. MATTHEWS.
 Taken before me, &c.—C. F. Reid, a Solicitor of the Supreme Court of New Zealand. 1259

In the matter of "The Mining Act, 1891," and of "The Foreign Companies Act, 1884," and of the Mines Corporation of New Zealand (Limited).

NOTICE is hereby given that the Office or place of business of the above-named company has been changed from the Chamber of Mines Buildings, Shortland Street, in the City of Auckland, to the corner of Shortland and O'Connell Streets, in the same city.
 Dated at Auckland, this 17th day of November, 1896.

HERBERT WHITE FLINT,
 Attorney for the Company.
 WYNYARD AND PURCHAS,
 Solicitors for the Company, Queen Street,
 Auckland. 1228

THE NEW ZEALAND MINERALS COMPANY (LIMITED).

NOTICE is hereby given that the Office of the above-named company in New Zealand is in the premises known as the Colonial Bank Buildings, situated in Princess Street, Dunedin.

Dated this 18th day of November, 1896.
 N. KENNEDY,
 Attorney for the said company. 1238

I, the undersigned, hereby make application to register the Abercorn Gold-mining Company as a no-liability company under the provisions of "The Mining Companies Act, 1894."

1. The name of the company is to be the Abercorn Gold-mining Company (No Liability).
2. The place of operations (or intended operations) is at Kuaotunu.
3. The registered office of the company will be situated at Auckland.
4. The value of the company's property, including claim or lease ground and machinery, is one thousand pounds.
5. The number of shares in the company is sixty thousand, of one shilling each.
6. The number of shares subscribed for is sixty thousand.
7. The name of the Manager is William Gray, F.I.A.N.Z.
8. The names and addresses and occupations of the shareholders, and the number of shares held by each at this date, are as below:—

	No. of Shares.
White, Thomas, Auckland, Settler ..	9,196
Hoffman, Henry A., Auckland, Merchant ..	9,196
Burns, Robert, Auckland, Legal Manager ..	9,196
Loram, George, Auckland, Settler ..	966
Black, Alexander G. S., Auckland, Sharebroker ..	966
Ritchie, Robert, Kuaotunu, Mine-manager ..	966
Cheal, P. E., Auckland, Surveyor ..	966
White, Frederick, Kuaotunu, Miner ..	966
Purchas, Charles Edward, Auckland, Solicitor ..	1,934
Abbott, R. H., Auckland, Merchant ..	303
Morran, J. M., Auckland, Manufacturer ..	907
Whittaker, A. J., Hawera, Gentleman ..	1,210
Choyce, H. C., Auckland, Merchant ..	1,210
Gray, William, Auckland, Legal Manager ..	1,210
Kneebone, John, Auckland, Mining Agent ..	2,904
Gentles, Herbert, Auckland, Mining Agent ..	2,904
Gray, William, Auckland, Legal Manager (in trust)	15,000
Total	60,000

Dated this 15th day of October, 1896.

WM. GRAY,
Manager.

I, William Gray, do solemnly and sincerely declare that—

1. I am the Manager of the said intended company.
 2. The above statement is, to the best of my belief and knowledge, true in every particular.
- And I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of an Act of the General Assembly of New Zealand intituled "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

WM. GRAY.

Taken before me, at Auckland, this 15th day of October, 1896—A. Clements, J.P. 1261

OHINEMURI GOLD-MINING COMPANY (NO LIABILITY).

NOTICE is hereby given that the Registered Office of the Ohinemuri Gold-mining Company (No Liability) is at present situated at the Bank of New Zealand Buildings, Queen Street, Auckland.

Dated this 3rd day of November, 1896.

1253 JOHN R. GRAY, }
ALFRED KIDD, } Directors.

MANGAKARA UNITED GOLD-MINING COMPANY (NO LIABILITY).

NOTICE is hereby given that the Registered Office of the Mangakara United Gold-mining Company (No Liability) is at present situated at the Bank of New Zealand Buildings, Queen Street, Auckland.

Dated this 19th day of November, 1896.

1254 G. B. MORRIS, }
W. J. GEDDIS, } Directors.

PURU JUNCTION GOLD-MINING COMPANY (NO LIABILITY).

NOTICE is hereby given that the Registered Office of the Puru Junction Gold-mining Company (No Liability) is at present situated at the Bank of New Zealand Buildings, Queen Street, Auckland.

Dated this 3rd day of November, 1896.

1255 JOHN R. GRAY, }
C. R. CHAPMAN, } Directors.

WAITEKAURI PRINCE GOLD-MINING COMPANY (NO LIABILITY).

NOTICE is hereby given that the Registered Office of the Waitekauri Prince Gold-mining Company (No Liability) is at present situated at the Bank of New Zealand Buildings, Queen Street, Auckland.

Dated this 19th day of November, 1896.

1256 W. J. GEDDIS, }
HENRY C. D. SERJEANT, } Directors.

MATARANGI GOLD-MINING COMPANY (NO LIABILITY).

NOTICE is hereby given that the Registered Office of the Matarangi Gold-mining Company (No Liability) is at present situated at the Bank of New Zealand Buildings, Queen Street, Auckland.

Dated this 3rd day of November, 1896.

1257 JOHN R. GRAY, }
C. R. CHAPMAN, } Directors.

WAITEKAURI MAGAZINE GOLD-MINING COMPANY (NO LIABILITY).

NOTICE is hereby given that the Registered Office of the Waitekauri Magazine Gold-mining Company (No Liability) is at present situated at the Bank of New Zealand Buildings, Queen Street, Auckland.

Dated this 19th day of November, 1896.

1258 GEO. CARRICK, }
G. B. MORRIS, } Directors.

DE HIRSCH GOLD-MINING COMPANY (NO LIABILITY).

NOTICE is hereby given that the Registered Office of the De Hirsch Gold-mining Company (No Liability) is situated at Hobson's Buildings, Shortland Street, Auckland.

Dated at Auckland, this 24th day of November, 1896.

1260 WM. HELLABY, }
W. STIMPSON, } Directors.
SEERING H. MATTHEWS, Manager.

WENTWORTH GOLD-MINING COMPANY (NO LIABILITY).

NOTICE is hereby given that the Registered Office of the above company is situated at No. 14, Palmers-ton Buildings, Queen Street, Auckland; and also that CHRISTOPHER GEORGE WALKER has been appointed Manager of the above company.

J. C. MACKY, }
FREDK. W. COURT, } Directors.

Auckland, 23rd November, 1896. 1262

THE HAURAKI SOUTH GOLD-MINING COMPANY (LIMITED).

"THE FOREIGN COMPANIES ACT, 1884."

NOTICE is hereby given that the Office of the above-named company is at the office of Messrs. Clarke and Fleming, Legal Chambers, Queen Street, in the City of Auckland, in New Zealand.

Dated the 21st day of November, 1896.

WM. McCULLOUGH,
Attorney for the said Company.
JACKSON AND RUSSELL,
Solicitors for the said Company, Auckland. 1246

ETHEL REEF GOLD-MINING COMPANY (LIMITED).

NOTICE is hereby given, pursuant to the provisions of "The Foreign Companies Act, 1884," and "The Mining Act, 1891," that the Office or place of business in the colony of the above-named company is at the office, in Halyday's Buildings, Shortland Street, in the City of Auckland, of Mr. Godefroi Drew Ingall, F.I.S., the Colonial Registrar of the said company.

A. GROTHE,
Attorney for the said Company.

HESKETH AND RICHMOND,
Wyndham Street, Solicitors for the Company. 1211

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 within one month from the date of the *Gazette* containing this notice.

3242. JOHN MCKENZIE.—Part of Allotments 23 and 27, Parish of Waipu, containing 220 acres 2 roods 30 perches. Occupied by a tenant.

3243. NORMAN MCKENZIE and JOHN MCKENZIE.—Part of Allotments 23 and 27, Parish of Waipu, containing 789 acres 1 rood 30 perches. Occupied by a tenant.

Diagrams may be inspected at this office.

Dated this 28th day of November, 1896, at the Lands Registry Office, Auckland.

EDWIN BAMFORD,
District Land Registrar.

1263

WHEREAS dealings have been presented for registration affecting the land comprised in Vol. xii., folio 6, of the Register-book, issued to ELIZA LEWENBERG, wife of Nicola Lewenberg, of Auckland, Commission Agent, for Lot 8 of Section 65 of Allotments 34 and others, Section 8, Suburbs of Auckland:

Now notice is hereby given of my intention to register such dealings at the expiration of fourteen days from the date of the *Gazette* containing this notice.

Dated this 23rd day of November, 1896, at the Lands Registry Office, Auckland.

EDWIN BAMFORD,
District Land Registrar.

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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 within one month from the date of the *Gazette* containing this notice.

7888. ALFRED CHARLES PRICHARD.—1 rood 8 perches, part of Rural Section 1750, Oxford Survey District. Occupied by Applicant.

7939. GEORGE ADCOCK.—12 perches, part of Section 1011, City of Christchurch, with right-of-way over other part. Occupied by Applicant.

7966. JAMES TATE.—357 acres and 21 perches, parts of Rural Sections 1924, 2033, 2034, 2036, 2037, 7079, 9763, 9764, 9765, and 10772, Waipara Survey District. Occupied by Applicant.

7968. JOHN KING.—1 rood, Section 170, Town of Timaru. Occupied by John Walker and Thomas Fogarty.

7969. PETER MCGILL.—37 perches, part of Rural Section 33, City of Christchurch. Occupied by Eliza Charlotte Kent.

7970. FREDERICK SEARLE.—20 acres and 32 perches, part of Rural Section 5916, Rolleston Survey District. Occupied by Florence Hack.

7972. THOMAS MURIDGE.—1 rood, Section 796, City of Christchurch. Occupied by Applicant.

7973. EDWYN FREDERICK TEMPLE.—1 rood, Section 491, City of Christchurch. Unoccupied.

Diagrams may be inspected at this office.

Dated this 28th day of November, 1896, at the Lands Registry Office, Christchurch.

G. G. BRIDGES,
District Land Registrar.

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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 on or before the 4th day of January, 1897.

2601.—JOHN HALLEY and ROBERT EWING.—6 $\frac{1}{2}$ perches, Lot 23, Te Aro Pa, being part Section 216, City of Wellington. Occupied by Applicants.

2616.—WILLIAM PRESSLEY RASH and JOSEPH THOMAS RASH.—1 rood 15 perches, part Section 70, City of Wellington. Occupied by D. Pryde and Applicant W. P. Rash.

2626.—CHARLES ATHELSTAN CORNISH and ALICE MARY CORNISH.—16 perches, part Section 475, City of Wellington. Occupied by Applicants.

2630.—FREDERICK WILLIAM DUNDEE QUAINTELL and HERBERT FRANCIS.—60 acres and 8 perches, Section 362, Taratahi Plain Block. Occupied by Applicants.

Diagrams may be inspected at this office.

Dated this 2nd day of December, 1896, at the Lands Registry Office, Wellington.

J. M. BATHAM,
District Land Registrar.

1270

APPLICATION having been made to me to register a surrender of Crown Lease No. 68, Vol. 1A, folio 239, affecting Sections 532 and 534, and part 1 of Section 531, Block VIII., Waiohine Survey District, the registered Lessee whereof being EDWARD KELLY, and evidence having been lodged with me of the loss of the said Crown lease, I hereby give notice that I will dispense with the production of the said Crown lease, and register the surrender as requested, unless caveat be lodged forbidding the same on or before the 17th day of December, 1896.

Dated this 2nd day of December, 1896, at the Lands Registry Office, Wellington.

J. M. BATHAM,
District Land Registrar.

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Private Advertisements.

I, WALTER HISLOP, Manager of the Perpetual Trustees Estate and Agency Company of New Zealand (Limited), do solemnly and sincerely declare—

1. That the liability of members is limited.
2. That the capital of the company is £106,250, divided into 25,000 shares of £4 5s.
3. That the number of shares issued is 21,669.
4. That calls to the amount of seven shillings and sixpence per share have been made, under which the sum of £8,125 17s. 6d. has been received.
5. That the amount of all moneys received on account of estates under administration during the half-year ending thirty-first day of October, 1896, is £1,355 2s. 10d.
6. That the amount of all moneys paid on account of estates under administration during the half-year ending thirty-first day of October, 1896, is £1,683 18s. 11d.
7. That the amount of the balance held to the credit of estates under administration during the half-year ending thirty-first day of October, 1896, is £1,279 13s. 10d.
8. That the liabilities of the company on the first day of November last were debts owing to sundry persons by the company—viz.:—

On judgment, nil.

On specialty, nil.

On notes or bills, nil.

On simple contracts, £14,669 13s. 5d.

On estimated liabilities, nil.

9. That the assets of the company on that date were—

Government securities, nil.

Bills of exchange and promissory notes, nil.

Other securities, £16,697 14s. 9d.

Cash at banker's and on deposit, £6,420 18s. 1d.

And I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of the provisions of an Act of the General Assembly of New Zealand intitled "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

WALTER HISLOP.

Declared by the said Walter Hislop, at Dunedin, this 25th day of November, 1896, before me—A. Bartleman, a Justice of the Peace in and for the Colony of New Zealand.

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IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW ZEALAND,
WESTLAND DISTRICT.

In the matter of "The Companies Act, 1882," and the amendments thereto; and in the matter of the Karamea Shipping Company (Limited), a company duly incorporated under the above-mentioned Act, and carrying on business at Karamea, in New Zealand.

BY an order made by his Honour Mr. Justice Denniston in the above matter, dated the 3rd day of November, 1896, on the petition of Samuel Riley and William Struthers, it was ordered that the voluntary winding-up of the Karamea Shipping Company (Limited) be continued, but subject to the supervision of this Court; that all subsequent proceedings be had and taken in the District Court of Westland; that Ernest Hill and Thomas Curtin be and remain the Liquidators of the said company, and any of the proceedings under the said voluntary winding-up may be adopted as the Judge of the District Court of Westland may think fit; and the creditors, contributories, and Liquidators of the said company, and all other persons interested, are to be at liberty to apply to the Judge of the District Court, Westland, as there may be occasion.

FREE AND COTTRELL,
Solicitors for the Petitioners, Westport.

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NELSON SAVINGS-BANK.

NOTICE is hereby given that the rate of interest upon deposits with this bank will be reduced to three and one-half per centum on and after the 1st day of January, 1897.

Dated at Nelson, this 11th day of September, 1896.

H. EDWARDS,
Vice-President.

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THE Partnership hitherto existing between the undersigned as Grain and Produce Merchants, Wellington, has this day been dissolved by mutual consent. The business will in future be carried on by Mr. G. H. FISHER, who will discharge all liabilities and receive all accounts on behalf of the late firm.

JOHN MEAGHER,
GEO. H. FISHER.

Wellington, 1st November, 1896.

1267

In the matter of "The Foreign Companies Act, 1884," and of the Fire Insurance Company of 1877 in Hamburg.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Office or place of business at Auckland of the Fire Insurance Company of 1877 in Hamburg is at Room No. 14, Government Life Insurance Buildings, 107, Queen Street, in the City of Auckland, where legal proceedings of any kind may be served upon it, and to which notices of any kind may be addressed or given.

GEO. S. GRAHAM,
Attorney.

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