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Proclaiming the Taking of a Road through Private Lands in Tiriraukawa Survey District, Rangitikei County.

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

IN pursuance and in exercise of the powers conferred by section thirteen of "The Land Act, 1892," I, David, Earl of Glasgow, Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, with the consent of the owner of the land hereinafter mentioned, and with the consent of the Rangitikei County Council, being the local authority in whose district the said land is situated, do by this notice hereby proclaim as a road the land in the Tiriraukawa Survey District, Rangitikei County, mentioned in the Schedule hereto.

SCHEDULE.

The parcel of land mentioned in list hereunder :—

Approximate Area of the Land to be taken.	Being Part of Section No.	Situated in	Shown on Plan marked	Coloured on Plan
A. R. P. 3 0 8	102 (Otairi 1 st Block)	Block XIII., Tiriraukawa	165 22	Red.

All in the Land District of Wellington; as the same is more particularly delineated on the plan marked as above mentioned, deposited in the Head Office, 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 nineteenth day of January, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven.

JOHN MCKENZIE,
Minister of Lands.

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN!

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Proclaiming a Road as closed through Lands in the Tiriraukawa Survey District, Rangitikei County.

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

IN pursuance and in exercise of the powers conferred by section thirteen of "The Land Act, 1892," I, David, Earl of Glasgow, Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, do by this notice hereby proclaim as closed the road in the Rangitikei County mentioned in the Schedule hereto.

SCHEDULE.

The parcel of land mentioned hereunder :—

Area.	Being Road traversing Section No.	Situated in	Block and Survey District.	Shown on Plan marked	Coloured on Plan
A. R. P. 3 2 3	102	Otairi 1 st Block	XIII., Tiriraukawa	165 22	Green.

All in the Wellington Land District; as the same is more particularly delineated on the plan marked as above mentioned, deposited in the District Office of the Department of Lands and Survey, at Wellington, in the Wellington Land District, and thereon coloured as above stated.

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 nineteenth day of January, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven.

JOHN MCKENZIE,
Minister of Lands.

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN!

Proclaiming Roads as closed through Lands in the Ardgowan Estate, Waitaki County.

(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, with the consent of the Waitaki County Council, do by this notice hereby proclaim as closed the roads in the Ardgowan Estate, Waitaki County, mentioned in the Schedule hereto.

SCHEDULE.

THE parcels of land mentioned hereunder:—

Area.	Being Road situated	Situated in Block No.	Survey District.	Shown on Plan marked	Coloured on Plan
A. R. P. 1 0 0	Traversing Section 72	I.	Oamaru	S.G.29081A	Green.
0 3 10	Between Sections 62, Block I., and 65, Block II.	..	"	"	"
0 0 22	Between Sections 62 and 64	I.	"	"	"
1 2 32	Traversing Section 66	II.	"	"	"
0 2 16	Between Sections 70 and 71	I.	"	"	"

All in the Otago Land District; as the same are more particularly delineated on the plan 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 stated.

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 nineteenth day of January, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven.

JOHN MCKENZIE,
Minister of Lands.

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN!

Proclaiming the Taking of a Road through Private Lands in Sections 27 and 45, Block XI., Mangaone Survey District, Wairarapa North County.

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

IN pursuance and in exercise of the powers conferred by section thirteen of "The Land Act, 1892," I, David, Earl of Glasgow, Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, with the consent of the owners and tenants and mortgagees of the lands hereinafter mentioned, and with the consent of the Wairarapa North County Council, being the local authority in whose district the said lands are situated, do by this notice hereby proclaim as a road the lands mentioned in the Schedule hereto.

SCHEDULE.

THE several parcels of land mentioned in list hereunder:—

A. R. P.	Being Portion of Section No.	Situated in Block No.	Situated in the Survey District of	Shown on Plan marked	Coloured on Plan
0 0 11	27	XI.	Mangaone	158	Green.
0 1 36	45	XI.	Mangaone	22	Green.

All in the Wellington Land District; as the same are more particularly delineated on the plan marked as above noted, deposited in the District Office, 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-second day of January, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven.

JOHN MCKENZIE,
Minister of Lands.

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN!

Land set apart for Settlement.

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

WHEREAS by the second section of "The Government Loans to Local Bodies Act Amendment Act, 1891" (herein termed "the said Act"), it is, amongst other things, enacted that, before certain moneys therein mentioned shall be expended upon any block of land, it shall be necessary that the same be proclaimed as set apart for settlement:

Now, therefore, in pursuance and exercise of every power and authority enabling me in this behalf, and for the purposes of the said Act, I, David, Earl of Glasgow, the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, do hereby proclaim the parcels of land described in the Schedule hereto as set apart for settlement.

SCHEDULE.

OHINEWAIKUA BLOCK.

Area.	Section No.	Block No.	Survey District.	Coloured on Plan	Shown on Plan marked
Acres. 1,249 725	2, 3, 4, 5 1, 2, 3 29, 32, 33, 34,	XV. XVI.	Ohinewairua "	Blue	S.G. 35165.
2,914	35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 42, 43	III.	Hautapu ..		
1,609 965	1, 4, 5, 6 16	IV. XIV., XV.	" .. Ohinewairua		

All in the Wellington Land District, as the same are delineated upon the plan 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 noted.

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-second day of January, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven.

JOHN MCKENZIE,
Minister of Lands.

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN!

Land set apart for Village Settlements in the Wellington Land District.

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

IN pursuance of the power and authority conferred upon me by the one hundred and sixty-eighth section of "The Land Act, 1892," I, David, Earl of Glasgow, the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, do hereby proclaim and declare that the allotments of Crown land respectively described in

the Schedule hereto shall be and the same are hereby set apart and declared open for lease as village-homestead allotments.

SCHEDULE.
WELLINGTON LAND DISTRICT.

County.	Locality.	Section.	Area.
Rangitikei ..	Hunterville Village Settlement	60 and 61	A. R. P. 10 3 23
" ..	Ditto ..	50 and 51	8 1 5
Pahiatua ..	Ngaturi Village Settlement	18 and 19, and parts 15, 16, 17	2 3 15'6
" ..	Ditto ..	29	1 2 20
Wairarapa North	Mangaone Village Settlement	Lot 5 of 24	10 3 0
Pahiatua ..	Makuri Village Settlement	156	7 0 4
" ..	Mangatainoka Village Settlement	39	27 2 14

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-second day of January, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven.

JOHN MCKENZIE,
Minister of Lands.

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN!

Native Land proposed to be taken for a Pilot- and Signal-station in Tainui Survey District.

GLASGOW, Governor.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government Buildings, at Wellington, this twelfth day of December, 1896.

Present:

THE HONOURABLE R. J. SEDDON PRESIDING IN COUNCIL.

WHEREAS the land mentioned in the Schedule hereto is required to be taken for a public work, to wit, the construction of a pilot- and signal station on the said land:

And whereas the said land is held or occupied by Native owners under a title which is not derived from the Crown:

Now, therefore, in pursuance and exercise of the powers vested in him by the eighty-eighth section of "The Public Works Act, 1894," and of all other powers in anywise enabling him in this behalf, 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 declare that the land mentioned in the Schedule hereto, and shown on the map therein referred to, shall, as from the twelfth day of December, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-six, vest in Her Majesty for the purposes of the public work above mentioned.

SCHEDULE.

The parcel of land mentioned hereunder:—

Approximate Area of the Parcel of Land required to be taken.	Section No.	Situated in Block No.	Survey District.	Colour on Map.	Plan marked
A. R. P. 1 0 7	1	I.	Tainui	Red ..	S.G.28251.

In the Taranaki Land District; as the same is more particularly delineated on the plan marked as above mentioned, deposited in the Head Office of the Department of Lands and Survey, at Wellington, in the Land District of Wellington, and thereon coloured as stated above.

ALEX. WILLIS,
Clerk of the Executive Council.

Proclaiming a Road as closed through Private Land in Te Ngawai Survey District.

(L.S.) GLASGOW, Governor.

A PROCLAMATION.

IN pursuance and in exercise of the powers conferred by section thirteen of "The Land Act, 1892," I, David, Earl of Glasgow, Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, do by this notice hereby proclaim as closed the road in Te Ngawai Survey District mentioned in the Schedule hereto.

SCHEDULE.

The parcel of land mentioned hereunder:—

Area.	Being Road in Section	Situated in Block No.	Survey District.	Shown on Plan marked	Coloured on Plan
A. R. P. 1 2 39	20271	VII.	Te Ngawai	29910	Green.

All in the Canterbury Land District; as the said area is delineated upon the plan marked as above mentioned, and deposited in the District Office of the Department of Lands and Survey, at Christchurch, in the Canterbury Land District, and thereon coloured as above stated.

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-second day of January, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven.

JOHN MCKENZIE,
Minister of Lands.

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN!

Proclaiming the Taking of a Road through Private Lands in Te Ngawai Survey District.

(L.S.) GLASGOW, Governor.

A PROCLAMATION.

IN pursuance and in exercise of the powers conferred by section thirteen of "The Land Act, 1892," I, David, Earl of Glasgow, Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, with the consent of the owner of the land hereinafter mentioned, and with the consent of the Mackenzie County Council, being the local authority in whose district the said land is situated, do by this notice hereby proclaim as a road the land mentioned in the Schedule hereto.

SCHEDULE.

The parcel of land mentioned hereunder:—

Approximate Area of the Parcel of Land taken.	Being 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 2 8	20271	VII.	Te Ngawai	29910	Red.

All in the Canterbury Land District; as the same is more particularly delineated on the plan marked as above noted, deposited in the District Office, Department of Lands and Survey, at Christchurch, in the Canterbury 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-second day of January, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven.

JOHN MCKENZIE,
Minister of Lands.

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN!

Setting apart Land in Otago for Leasing as a Small Grazing-run.

(L.S.)

GLASGOW, Governor.

A PROCLAMATION.

BY virtue and in exercise of the powers and authorities vested in me by the one hundred and seventy-second section of "The Land Act, 1892," and of every other power and authority enabling me in that behalf, I, David, Earl of Glasgow, the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, do hereby declare that the land mentioned in the Schedule hereto shall be subject to the provisions of sections one hundred and seventy-two to one hundred and eighty-six of Part V. of "The Land Act, 1892," relating to small grazing-runs.

SCHEDULE.

OTAGO LAND DISTRICT.

SECTIONS 3 and 9, Block XII., Strath Taieri Survey District; 2,302 acres 1 rood 16 perches.

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-second day of January, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven.

JOHN MCKENZIE,
Minister of Lands.

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN!

Regulations under "The Tobacco Act Amendment Act, 1896."

GLASGOW, Governor.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government Buildings, at Wellington, this eleventh day of January, 1897.

Present:

THE HONOURABLE R. J. SEDDON PRESIDING IN COUNCIL.

IN pursuance and exercise of the power and authority conferred upon him by section fourteen of "The Tobacco Act Amendment Act, 1896" (hereinafter called "the said Act"), and of all other powers and authorities him enabling in this behalf, His Excellency the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, acting by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of the said colony, doth hereby make the following regulations for the purposes specified in the aforesaid section fourteen:—

REGULATIONS.

1. Applications for warrants under section 8 of the said Act shall be made to a Collector of Customs, and shall contain a precise description of the premises in which the applicant proposes to keep and use a cutting-machine, or (as the case may be) to make cigarettes by hand from duty-paid manufactured tobacco.

2. The warrants shall be in the form set forth in Schedule A hereto.

3. An application for a warrant to make cigarettes under subsection (1), (b), of the aforesaid section 8 shall be accompanied by a statutory declaration to be made by the applicant in the form set forth in Schedule B hereto.

4. All warrants under the subsection aforesaid shall terminate on the 31st December following the date of issue.

5. The scale of fees payable for warrants under the subsection aforesaid shall be as follows:—

For any quantity of cigarettes expected to be made, as stated in the aforesaid declaration—

Not exceeding 100,000	£1
Exceeding 100,000, but not exceeding 500,000 .. .	5
Exceeding 500,000	10

6. Every holder of a warrant under the subsection aforesaid shall keep a book in which shall be entered day by day and every day the number of persons actually employed in making cigarettes, and the number of cigarettes made. This book shall be open to inspection at any time by any officer of Customs, and, if required by the Collector, shall be produced in verification of the aforesaid declaration.

7. In any of the following cases, that is to say,—

- (1.) If the aforesaid declaration is false in any material particular; or
- (2.) If the aforesaid book is not kept, or is not kept as prescribed, or if any false entry is made therein,—

the person who makes such declaration, or whose duty it is to keep such book, is liable to a penalty of not less than five nor more than fifty pounds.

8. In the event of any warrant being lost, the Collector of Customs may issue a duplicate thereof to the person to whom it was issued, on being satisfied by a statutory declaration, or such other or further evidence as he requires, that the original has been lost and cannot, after full search, be found. There shall be payable for each duplicate the fee of 2s. 6d.

9. All fees for warrants or duplicates shall be paid to the Collector of Customs, to whom application therefor is made, and no warrant or duplicate shall be issued until the proper fee in respect thereof has been paid.

SCHEDULE A.

WARRANT FOR TOBACCO-CUTTING MACHINE.

No.

I, _____, Collector of Customs at _____, do hereby authorise _____, whose business premises are situated at _____, to keep and use a tobacco-cutting machine on the said premises, but not elsewhere, for cutting duty-paid manufactured tobacco for sale, or to be used in making cigarettes by hand under a warrant in that behalf, if such warrant is duly issued.

_____, Collector of Customs.
Dated at _____, this _____ day of _____, 18 _____.

WARRANT FOR MAKING CIGARETTES BY HAND.

No.

I, _____, Collector of Customs at _____, do hereby authorise _____, whose business premises are situated at _____, to make a quantity not exceeding _____ cigarettes by hand on the said premises, but not elsewhere, from duty-paid manufactured tobacco, for sale at such premises but not elsewhere. This warrant shall remain in force until the 31st December, 18 _____.

_____, Collector of Customs.
Dated at _____, this _____ day of _____, 18 _____.

SCHEDULE B.

FORM OF DECLARATION TO ACCOMPANY APPLICATION FOR WARRANT TO MAKE CIGARETTES BY HAND FROM DUTY-PAYD MANUFACTURED TOBACCO.

I, _____, of _____, having made application to the Collector of Customs at _____ for a warrant to make cigarettes by hand from duty-paid manufactured tobacco, do hereby solemnly and sincerely declare as follows:—

1. The quantity of cigarettes made by me during the year ended the 31st day of December, 18 _____, was _____ thousand.*

2. The quantity of cigarettes which will be made by me during the year ending the 31st day of December, 18 _____, will, to the best of my knowledge and belief, not exceed _____ thousand; and on that scale I have duly forwarded with my application the prescribed fee of £ _____.

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 intituled "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

Declared before me, at _____, this _____ day of _____, 18 _____.

_____, Collector of Customs.

* This paragraph should be struck out in the case of an applicant who is not making cigarettes at the date of his application.

AMELIUS M. SMITH,

For the Clerk of the Executive Council.

Regulations under "The Tobacco Act, 1879," and "The Tobacco Act Amendment Act, 1896."

GLASGOW, Governor.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government Buildings, at Wellington, this eleventh day of January, 1897.

Present:

THE HONOURABLE R. J. SEDDON PRESIDING IN COUNCIL.

IN pursuance and exercise of the power and authority conferred on him by section fourteen of "The Tobacco Act Amendment Act, 1896," and of all other powers and authorities him enabling in this behalf, His Excellency the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, acting by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of the said colony, doth hereby make the following regulation for the purposes of determining a scale of fees to be paid for licenses under "The Tobacco Act, 1879":—

REGULATION.

1. The scale of fees to be paid for licenses to manufacture tobacco shall be as follows:—

By each licensee—	
For an estimated production for the year of not more than 50,000lb. manufactured tobacco (including therein cigars, cigarettes, and snuff)	£ 50
For more than 50,000lb., but not more than 100,000lb.	100
For more than 100,000lb.	150

2. The fee shall in each case be payable to the Collector of Customs issuing the license, and before the issue thereof.

AMELIUS M. SMITH,
For the Clerk of the Executive Council.

Prohibiting the Introduction of Stock from Africa.—Notice No. 472.

GLASGOW, Governor.
ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government Buildings, at Wellington, this eleventh day of January, 1897.

Present:

THE HONOURABLE R. J. SEDDON PRESIDING IN COUNCIL.

IN pursuance and exercise of the powers and authorities vested in him by "The Stock Act, 1893," His Excellency the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, acting by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of the said colony, doth hereby absolutely prohibit the introduction into the Colony of New Zealand from Africa of all stock as defined in the first section of the Schedule hereto, and the carcasses of such stock and any portion thereof, and also the several articles, substances, and things enumerated in such Schedule, or other articles which shall have been brought into contact with such stock, or with which they or any of them have been in contact; and in exercise of the powers aforesaid His Excellency the Governor doth hereby revoke the Order in Council, Notice No. 469, made under the provisions of the said Act, dated the twelfth day of December, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-six, prohibiting the introduction of stock from Africa.

SCHEDULE.

PROHIBITED STOCK.

1. HORSES (including asses or mules), cattle, sheep, dogs, swine, goats, deer, llamas, antelopes, buffaloes, and other ruminants.

PROHIBITED ARTICLES, ETC.

2. All kinds of meat, hides, skins, bones, animal manures, horns, hoofs, hair, and wool.

3. All kinds of fodder (including hay, straw, litter, grass, green crops, grain, corn), and anything commonly with, for, or about stock.

4. All kinds of fittings, which include pens, stalls, or any article or material used for penning or confining stock, or which has in any way been brought into contact with stock.

AMELIUS M. SMITH,
For Clerk of the Executive Council.

Conferring Jurisdiction on Native Land Court.

GLASGOW, Governor.
ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government House, at Wellington, this eleventh day of January, 1897.

Present:

THE HONOURABLE R. J. SEDDON PRESIDING IN COUNCIL.

WHEREAS by section fourteen of "The Native Land Court Act, 1894," it is enacted that the Native Land Court shall, as regards all lands within the meaning of subsection ten of section fourteen aforesaid, have jurisdiction as in the said subsection mentioned: Provided that the Court shall not proceed to exercise such jurisdiction unless the Governor in Council shall by order authorise the same to be done:

And whereas the land specified in the Schedule hereto is land in respect whereof the Court has jurisdiction as aforesaid, and it is expedient that the Court should be authorised to exercise the same:

Now, therefore, His Excellency the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of the said colony, doth hereby authorise the said Court to exercise in respect of the land described in the Schedule hereto the jurisdiction conferred as aforesaid—that is to say, to determine whether or not the said land or

any part thereof was, on the investigation of title thereto, intended by the Native Land Court, or by the nominal owner or owners of such land, to be held by such nominal owner or owners in trust for Natives not named in the title, and to determine who are the Natives (if any) entitled beneficially to such land, and to order the inclusion of such Natives in the title, either together with or in lieu of the nominal owners or any of them, and for the purpose aforesaid to order the cancellation or amendment of any existing instrument of title, and the issue of such new Crown grants or other instruments of title as may be necessary, and generally to exercise in respect of the said land all the jurisdiction and powers conferred on the Native Land Court by subsection ten of section fourteen of "The Native Land Court Act, 1894."

SCHEDULE.

ALL those parcels of land in the Provincial District of Auckland, situate at Turanga, in the District of Poverty Bay, and known as Oweta Block, containing 153 acres 2 roods, more or less.

AMELIUS M. SMITH,
Acting Clerk of the Executive Council.

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

GLASGOW, Governor.
ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government Buildings, at Wellington, this twentieth day of January, 1897.

Present:

THE HONOURABLE R. J. SEDDON PRESIDING IN COUNCIL.

WHEREAS by the twelfth section of "The Public Domains Act, 1881," it is, *inter alia*, enacted that the Governor, by Order in Council, may from time to time delegate all or any of the powers by the said Act conferred, save as is therein mentioned, to any person or persons, for any period, and subject to such stipulations as may be specified in such Order, and that every such delegation may from time to time in like manner be altered or revoked: And whereas, pursuant to "The Public Reserves Act, 1881," by an Order in Council of even date herewith, the land described in the Schedule thereto is declared to be brought under the operation of and to be subject to the provisions of the said "Public Domains Act, 1881":

Now, therefore, His Excellency the Governor, by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of the Colony of New Zealand, doth by this present Order delegate all the powers conferred by the Act first above mentioned, except the powers under or conferred by sections five and twelve thereof, to

THE GISBORNE BOROUGH COUNCIL,

which shall be known as the Gisborne Domain Board (hereinafter referred to as "the Board"), subject to the stipulations hereinafter contained, that is to say,—

1. The Board shall meet for the transaction of business on the last Tuesday in each month fixed for the meetings of the Borough Council, at 7.30 p.m., at the Borough Council Office, Gisborne, or at such other time or place as may from time to time be fixed by the Board. The first meeting shall be held on Tuesday, the 23rd day of February, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven.

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

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

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

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

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

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

ALEX. WILLIS,
Clerk of the Executive Council.

Powers delegated to the Temuka Park Public Domain Board under "The Public Domains Act, 1881."

GLASGOW, Governor.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government Buildings, at Wellington, this twentieth day of January, 1897.

Present:

THE HONOURABLE R. J. SEDDON PRESIDING IN COUNCIL.

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

JOHN MEYER,
MICHAEL QUINN,
JOHN TURNBULL MURRAY HAYHURST,
WILLIAM GRIGSON ASPINALL,
The CHAIRMAN, Temuka Road Board, *ex officio*,
The CHAIRMAN, Temuka Town Board, *ex officio*, and
The CHAIRMAN, Arowhenua Town Board, *ex officio*

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

1. The Board shall meet for the transaction of business on the second Friday in each month, at eight o'clock p.m., at the office of the Temuka Town Board, or at such other time or place as may from time to time be fixed by the Board; and the business shall be conducted under such regulations as shall be determined by the Board. The first meeting shall be held on Friday, the twelfth day of February, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven.

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

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

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

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

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

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

SCHEDULE.

ALL that parcel of land in the Canterbury Land District, containing by admeasurement 183 acres, more or less, being Reserve No. 307, situate in the Township of Arowhenua. Bounded on the north by High Street and by Reserve No. 277; on the west by the said Reserve, and also by the reserve for railway; on the east by Taumatahau Creek; and on the south by the bank of the River Tumuku.

All that parcel of land in the Canterbury Land District, containing by admeasurement 50 acres, more or less, being Reserve No. 1561, situate in the Ophi Survey District. Bounded towards the north by Section No. 19012, 3580 links; towards the east by same section, 1250 links; towards the west by a road-line, 1499 links; and towards the south by Section No. 19010, 4400 links: be all the aforesaid linkages more or less; as the same is delineated on the plan deposited in the District Survey Office, Christchurch.

ALEX. WILLIS,
Clerk of the Executive Council.

Gisborne Recreation-ground brought under "The Public Domains Act, 1881."

GLASGOW, Governor.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government Buildings, at Wellington, this twentieth day of January, 1897.

Present:

THE HONOURABLE R. J. SEDDON PRESIDING IN COUNCIL.

BY virtue of the powers and authorities vested in me by the twenty-fourth section of "The Public Reserves Act, 1881," I, David, Earl of Glasgow, the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of the said colony, do hereby order and declare that the reserve made for public recreation in the Hawke's Bay Land District, and known as the Gisborne Recreation-ground, and described in the Schedule hereto, shall be and the same is hereby brought under the operation of and declared to be subject to the provisions of "The Public Domains Act, 1881"; and such domain shall hereafter be managed, administered, and dealt with in manner directed by the said Act.

SCHEDULE.

ALL that parcel of land in the Hawke's Bay Land District, containing by admeasurement 7 acres 1 rood 22 perches, more or less, being Section No. 218, Town of Gisborne, as the same is more particularly delineated on the plan deposited in the Office of the Chief Surveyor, Napier.

ALEX. WILLIS,
Clerk of the Executive Council.

Delegating Powers under "The Cemeteries Act, 1882," to the Hawera County Council.

GLASGOW, Governor.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government Buildings, at Wellington, this twentieth day of January, 1897.

Present:

THE HONOURABLE R. J. SEDDON PRESIDING IN COUNCIL.

IN exercise and pursuance of the powers vested in him by "The Cemeteries Act 1882 Amendment Act, 1885," and of all other powers enabling him in that behalf, 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 delegate to the Council of the Hawera County the powers conferred upon him by section six of "The Cemeteries Act, 1882," as to the appointment and removal of trustees for the cemetery described in the Schedule hereto; and doth declare that this Order in Council shall take effect as from the day of the date hereof.

SCHEDULE.

OKAIAWA CEMETERY.

ALL that parcel of land in the Taranaki Land District, containing by admeasurement 10 acres, more or less, being Section No. 56, Okaiawa Settlement, Block IV., Waimate Survey District. Bounded towards the north-east by Section No. 57, 714 links; towards the east by Section No. 60, 1401 links; towards the south-west by a road, 714 links; and towards the north-west by Section No. 55, 1401 links: be all the aforesaid linkages more or less.

ALEX. WILLIS,
Clerk of the Executive Council.

Extending Time for holding Elections, &c., Wakanui River Board.

GLASGOW, Governor.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government Buildings, at Wellington, this twentieth day of January, 1897.

Present:

THE HONOURABLE R. J. SEDDON PRESIDING IN COUNCIL.

WHEREAS by the twenty-seventh section of "The River Boards Act, 1884," it is enacted that on the second Tuesday in January, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-five, and on the same day in every third year thereafter, all the members of the Board shall go out of office, and a general election of members shall take place: And whereas by misadventure no election was held on the second Tuesday in January, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven (being the day upon which an election should have been held), to elect members of the Wakanui River Board:

And whereas, by the forty-third section of the said Act, it is enacted, among other things, that the Governor, by Order in Council notified in the *Gazette*, may extend the time allowed for the holding of any election or meeting of the Board, whether the day may have passed on which the same ought to have been held or not: And whereas it is expedient that the neglect to hold such election as aforesaid should be remedied:

Now, therefore, His Excellency the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, in pursuance and exercise of all powers enabling him in this behalf, and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of the said colony, doth hereby extend the time for holding the election of members of the Wakanaui River Board to the twenty-second day of February, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven, and doth hereby order and declare that such election shall take place at the school-room at Wakanaui; that Alfred Augustus Fooks shall be the Returning Officer to conduct such election; and that the first meeting of the said Board shall take place at the River Board Office, at Ashburton, on the third day of April next, at the hour of two in the afternoon; and, lastly, that the provisions of "The Regulation of Local Elections Act, 1876," so far as applicable, shall extend to the election to be held hereunder.

ALEX. WILLIS,
Clerk of the Executive Council.

Vesting a Reserve in the Geraldine Road Board.

GLASGOW, Governor.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government Buildings, at Wellington, this twentieth day of January, 1897.

Present:

THE HONOURABLE R. J. SEDDON PRESIDING IN COUNCIL.

WHEREAS the land mentioned in the Schedule hereto was permanently reserved for the accommodation of travelling stock by notification in the *New Zealand Gazette* of the eighth day of October, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-six: And whereas, in the opinion of the Governor, it is expedient that the said land should be vested in the Geraldine Road Board:

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

SCHEDULE.

ALL that parcel of land in the Canterbury Land District, containing by admeasurement 3 acres and 15 perches, more or less, being Reserve No. 3096 (formerly the sections comprising Block I., Town of South Rangitata), Block III., Geraldine Survey District. Bounded towards the north-west by a road-line, 500 links; towards the north-east by Clogstoun Street, 588.4 links; towards the south-east by a road-line, 504 links; and towards the south-west by Mellish Street, 652.6 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, Christchurch.

ALEX. WILLIS,
Clerk of the Executive Council.

Parcel Post to the United Kingdom.—Reducing Rates of Postage.

GLASGOW, Governor.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government Buildings, at Wellington, this twentieth day of January, 1897.

Present:

THE HONOURABLE R. J. SEDDON PRESIDING IN COUNCIL.

WHEREAS by Order in Council made under the provisions of "The Post Office Act 1881 Amendment Act, 1886," and "The Post Office (Foreign Parcels) Act, 1888," and issued on the tenth day of April, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-three, certain rates of postage were prescribed for the transmission of parcels through the post respectively within the colony to the United Kingdom, to foreign places by way of the United Kingdom, and to certain of the Australian Colonies, and Tasmania: And whereas it is expedient to reduce the rates of postage for parcels despatched from New Zealand to the United Kingdom:

Now, therefore, His Excellency the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, in pursuance and exercise of the powers and authorities conferred by "The Post Office Act 1881 Amendment Act, 1886," and "The Post Office (Foreign Parcels) Act, 1888," and by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of the said colony, doth hereby order and declare that the rates of postage specified in the Schedule hereto shall hereafter be levied on all parcels despatched from New Zealand to the United Kingdom as aforesaid: And in exercise of the like powers and authorities His Excellency doth hereby declare that the above-recited Order in Council of the tenth day of April, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-three, shall be and the same is hereby altered and varied in so far as may be necessary to give effect to the provisions of this present Order.

SCHEDULE.

PARCEL POST.—RATES OF POSTAGE.

	Postage to Destination: Not exceeding														
	1lb.	2lb.	1b.	4lb.	5lb.	6lb.	7lb.	8lb.	9lb.	10lb.	11lb.				
Parcels posted in the colony for delivery in the United Kingdom	s. 1	s. 0	s. 6	s. 2	s. 0	s. 2	s. 3	s. 0	s. 3	s. 4	s. 0	s. 5	s. 6	s. 6	s. 0

ALEX. WILLIS,
Clerk of the Executive Council.

"The Education Act, 1877."—Payments to Education Boards.

GLASGOW, Governor.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government Buildings, at Wellington, this twentieth day of January, 1897.

Present:

THE HONOURABLE R. J. SEDDON PRESIDING IN COUNCIL.

IN exercise and pursuance of the powers and authorities vested in him by "The Education Act, 1877," His Excellency the Governor, with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of the colony, doth hereby make the regulation hereto annexed regarding certain payments of capitation allowance to Education Boards; and, with the like advice and consent, doth hereby prescribe that this Order shall come into force on the date of the first publication thereof in the *New Zealand Gazette*.

REGULATION.

Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in an Order in Council made on the 5th day of January, 1888, under the provisions of "The Education Act, 1877," relating (*inter alia*) to attendance registers and returns, the payment of capitation allowance to Education Boards for the quarter ending on the 31st day of March, 1897, shall be according to the working-average attendance of the quarter ending on the 31st day of December, 1896, as working average was defined by Order in Council dated the 5th day of July, 1887, and made under the provisions of the before-mentioned Act.

ALEX. WILLIS,
Clerk of the Executive Council.

Conferring Jurisdiction on Native Land Court.

GLASGOW, Governor.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government Buildings, at Wellington, this twentieth day of January, 1897.

Present:

THE HONOURABLE R. J. SEDDON PRESIDING IN COUNCIL.

WHEREAS by section fourteen of "The Native Land Court Act, 1894," it is enacted that the Native Land Court shall, as regards all lands within the meaning of subsection ten of section fourteen aforesaid, have jurisdiction as in the said subsection mentioned: Provided that the Court shall not proceed to exercise such jurisdiction unless the Governor in Council shall by order authorise the same to be done:

And whereas the land specified in the Schedule hereto is land in respect whereof the Court has jurisdiction as aforesaid, and it is expedient that the Court should be authorised to exercise the same:

Now, therefore, His Excellency the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of the said colony, doth hereby authorise the said Court to exercise in respect of the said land the jurisdiction conferred as aforesaid—that is to say, to determine whether or not the said land or any part thereof was, on the investigation of title thereto, intended by the Native Land Court, or by the nominal owner or owners of such land, to be held by such nominal owner or owners in trust for Natives not named in the title, and to determine who are the Natives (if any) entitled beneficially to such land, and to order the inclusion of such Natives in the title, either together with or in lieu of the nominal owners or any of them, and for the purpose aforesaid to order the cancellation or amendment of any existing instrument of title, and the issue of such new Crown grants or other instruments of title as may be necessary, and generally to exercise in respect of the said land all the jurisdiction and powers conferred on the Native Land Court by subsection ten of section fourteen of "The Native Land Court Act, 1894."

SCHEDULE.

ALL that parcel of land in the Provincial District of Auckland, situate at Piako, in the Survey District of Maungakawa, and known as the Te Au-o-Waikato Block, containing 8,560 acres, more or less.

ALEX. WILLIS,
Clerk of the Executive Council.

Excepting Land from Operation of Section 117 of "The Native Land Court Act, 1894."

GLASGOW, Governor.
ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government Buildings, at Wellington, this twentieth day of January, 1897.

Present:

THE HONOURABLE R. J. SEDDON PRESIDING IN COUNCIL.

WHEREAS by section four of "The Native Land Laws Amendment Act, 1895," it is enacted that the Governor may by Order in Council except from the operation of section one hundred and seventeen of "The Native Land Court Act, 1894" (hereinafter called "the said Act"), for a limited period or otherwise, and either generally or for such purposes and subject to such restrictions as shall be in such Order specified, any land, wheresoever situate, which is for the time being subject to the operation of the said section, or any interest therein or right over the same; or may in like manner make such exception in favour exclusively of any lessee or other person who has been *bonâ fide* in occupation of and has made improvements on such land, or has paid money to Native owners for lease or purchase thereof prior to the passing of the said Act: Provided that no Order in Council under the provisions of this section shall take effect until after the expiration of two months from the date of the publication thereof in the *Gazette*: Provided also that every alienation under the provisions of this section shall be confirmed by the Court in terms of section fifty-three of the said Act:

Now, therefore, His Excellency the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, in pursuance and exercise of the power and authority conferred by section four of "The Native Land Laws Amendment Act, 1895," and by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of the said colony, doth hereby except from the operation of section one hundred and seventeen of "The Native Land Court Act, 1894," for the purpose of alienation by way of mortgage to the Government Advances to Settlers Office Superintendent, the block or parcel of land known as "Section No. 6k, Kai-Iwi," situate in the District of Wanganui, and in Blocks XI., XII., XV., and XVI. of the Nukumarū Survey District, containing eight hundred and eleven acres, more or less.

ALEX. WILLIS,
Clerk of the Executive Council.

Excepting Land from Operation of Section 117 of "The Native Land Court Act, 1894."

GLASGOW, Governor.
ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government Buildings, at Wellington, this twentieth day of January, 1897.

Present:

THE HONOURABLE R. J. SEDDON PRESIDING IN COUNCIL.

WHEREAS by section four of "The Native Land Laws Amendment Act, 1895," it is enacted that the Governor may, by Order in Council, except from the

operation of section one hundred and seventeen of "The Native Land Court Act, 1894" (hereinafter called "the said Act"), for a limited period or otherwise, and either generally or for such purposes and subject to such restrictions as shall be in such Order specified, any land, wheresoever situated, which is for the time being subject to the operation of the said section, or any interest therein, or right over the same; or may in like manner make such exception in favour exclusively of any lessee or other person who has been *bonâ fide* in occupation of and has made improvements on such land, or has paid money to Native owners for lease or purchase thereof prior to the passing of the said Act: Provided that no Order in Council under the provisions of this section shall take effect until after the expiration of two months from the date of the publication thereof in the *Gazette*: Provided, also, that every alienation under the provisions of this section shall be confirmed by the Court in terms of section fifty-three of the said Act:

Now, therefore, His Excellency the Governor of New Zealand, in pursuance and exercise of the power and authority conferred by section four of "The Native Land Laws Amendment Act, 1895," and by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of the said colony, doth hereby except from the operation of section one hundred and seventeen of "The Native Land Court Act, 1894," for the purpose of alienation by way of transfer to Hemi Matenga Waipunahau, two hundred acres, part of Section 78 of the Ngarara West C Block, and one thousand eight hundred acres, part of Section 41 of the said Ngarara West C Block: Provided always that such lands, after being transferred to the said Hemi Matenga Waipunahau, shall be inalienable by him otherwise than by will or by lease for any term not exceeding twenty-one years.

ALEX. WILLIS,
Clerk of the Executive Council.

Excepting Land from Operation of Section 117 of "The Native Land Court Act, 1894."

GLASGOW, Governor.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government Buildings, at Wellington, this twentieth day of January, 1897.

Present:

THE HONOURABLE R. J. SEDDON PRESIDING IN COUNCIL.

WHEREAS by section four of "The Native Land Laws Amendment Act, 1895," it is enacted that the Governor may, by Order in Council, except from the operation of section one hundred and seventeen of "The Native Land Court Act, 1894" (hereinafter called "the said Act"), for a limited period or otherwise, and either generally or for such purposes and subject to such restrictions as shall be in such Order specified, any land, wheresoever situate, which is for the time being subject to the operation of the said section, or any interest therein or right over the same; or may in like manner make such exception in favour exclusively of any lessee or other person who has been *bonâ fide* in occupation of, and has made improvements on, such land, or has paid money to Native owners for lease or purchase thereof, prior to the passing of the said Act: Provided that no Order in Council under the provisions of this section shall take effect until after the expiration of two months from the date of the publication thereof in the *Gazette*: Provided also that every alienation under the provisions of this section shall be confirmed by the Court in terms of section fifty-three of the said Act: And whereas William Muhunga Broughton, of Ngapuke, being an owner in the Omaha No. 3 Block, situate in the Provincial District of Hawke's Bay, and containing three thousand three hundred and forty acres, more or less, has applied to be allowed to mortgage certain shares or interests in the said block, as hereinafter specified:

Now, therefore, His Excellency the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, in pursuance and exercise of the powers and authorities conferred by the Acts aforesaid, and by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of the said colony, doth hereby except from the operation of section one hundred and seventeen of "The Native Land Court Act, 1894," the interest of the said William Muhunga Broughton in the said block of land known as "Omaha No. 3": Provided that this Order shall only avail so far as to enable the said William Muhunga Broughton, within six months from the date of the publication hereof in the *New Zealand Gazette*, to mortgage such shares or interests in the said block as he now owns or holds under or by virtue of any purchase, lease, or exchange.

ALEX. WILLIS,
Clerk of the Executive Council.

Regulations under "The Infant Life Protection Act, 1896."

GLASGOW, Governor.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government Buildings, at Wellington, this twentieth day of January, 1897.

Present:

THE HONOURABLE R. J. SEDDON PRESIDING IN COUNCIL.

WHEREAS by the thirty-eighth section of "The Infant Life Protection Act, 1896" (hereinafter termed "the said Act"), it is, among other things, enacted that the Governor in Council may from time to time make regulations for all or any of the purposes in the said Act mentioned, and it is expedient to make the regulations hereinafter set forth: Now, therefore, I, David, Earl of Glasgow, the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, in pursuance and exercise of the power and authority contained in the said Act, and by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of the said colony, do hereby make the regulations set forth in the Schedule hereto for the several purposes in the said Act mentioned.

SCHEDULE.

1. IN these regulations, unless inconsistent with the context and the terms of "The Infant Life Protection Act, 1896" (hereinafter termed "the said Act"),—

"Inspector" means the principal officer in charge of a police-station affected by these regulations; or any Inspector appointed or authorised as such under the provisions of the said Act:

Generally, terms and expressions used in these regulations which are similar to terms and expressions used in the said Act shall have the like meanings as are attached thereto by such Act.

2. Applications for registration may be made by any person being the *bonâ fide* occupier of a house who desires to be registered under the said Act, provided that such house shall also be registered for the purposes of the said Act. Every such application shall be made in the Form A hereto, and shall be addressed to the Commissioner, and lodged with the police officer in charge of the station where the applicant resides.

3. Every such application shall contain the particulars required by the said Act; and the Inspector shall, on receipt thereof, make such inquiry as appears necessary, or as he may be directed by the Commissioner, and shall report to him. If the Commissioner is satisfied that the applicant should be registered, and that the house is suitable for the purpose, he shall issue a license accordingly.

4. A license shall be in the Form B hereto. If the application be refused the Commissioner shall inform the applicant accordingly, through the Inspector.

5. A register shall be kept under the Act at the office of the Commissioner, at Wellington; and such register shall contain the particulars set forth in the Form C, and shall be kept in custody of Commissioner, who shall cause to be entered in such register the particulars required by the said Act and these regulations.

6. Every license granted or registration effected under the Act shall, unless cancelled under the provisions thereof, remain in force until the 31st day of the month of December next following the making of such registration, and no longer, unless the same be renewed.

Licenses and registrations may be renewed on the 31st day of December in which the same expire, and all such renewed licenses and registrations shall, unless cancelled as aforesaid, remain in force for one year from the expiration of such month of December in which the same are made. An application for renewal shall be in the like form as an original application, but shall indicate that it is for a renewal.

7. No fee shall be charged or taken for the making of any registration or renewed registration effected under the said Act and these regulations.

8. Houses registered under the said Act shall be classified according to the floor-area available for infants, which shall be determined on the basis specified hereunder, namely,—

- (a.) The floor-area of the house shall be taken to be the total internal floor-area of all the rooms of the house, the following deductions having been made—namely: (1) That of the passages and stairways, of the bathroom, of the kitchen and scullery, and of any lean-to imperfectly closed or of less height than 7ft. in any part; (2) that of any room or rooms specially set apart as sitting- or receiving-rooms, and not regularly occupied either by day or by night; (3) that of any cupboard or dresser, extending down to or within 7ft. of the floor; (4) that of any room or rooms having a smaller area than 90 square feet, or having no open chimney or flue, or having no readily open windows, or having a glazed window-

surface of smaller area than two-thirds of a square yard; (5) that of any room or rooms, or of portion of room or rooms, of less height than 7ft.; and (6) that of any cellar or cellars.

- (b.) The floor-area available for infants, hereinafter called "the available floor-area," shall be taken to be the floor-area *minus* such area as is required for the other occupants of the house, including the attendant or attendants on the infants, and allowing 50 square feet as the requirement for each such occupant.

9. The classification of houses registered shall be as follows:—

- (a.) Houses with available floor-area measuring 50 square feet, to receive not more than one infant;
- (b.) Houses with available floor-area measuring 100 square feet, to receive not more than two infants;
- (c.) Houses with available floor-area measuring 150 square feet, to receive not more than three infants;
- (d.) Houses with available floor-area measuring 200 square feet, and with an outdoor area of at least 400 square feet, to receive not more than four infants;
- (e.) Houses with available floor-area measuring 275 square feet, with an outdoor area of at least 400 square feet, to receive not more than five infants;
- (f.) Houses with available floor-area measuring 350 square feet, with an outdoor area of at least 400 square feet, to receive not more than six infants;
- (g.) Houses with available floor-area exceeding 350 square feet, with an outdoor area of an least 400 square feet, to be specially considered as to the maximum number of infants to be admitted.

10. The Commissioner, or any member of the Police Force authorised in that behalf by the Commissioner, accompanied by a legally-qualified medical practitioner and female Inspector, if the Commissioner or such member of the Police Force (as the case may be) think fit, may at all reasonable hours in the day-time inspect any house registered under the Act, and any infant or infants under the care of the occupier of such house.

11. The occupier of any house so registered shall permit the Commissioner, or any member of the Police Force or female Inspector so authorised as aforesaid, or any such medical practitioner, to inspect such house, or any part thereof, and the fittings and furniture thereof, at any reasonable hour in the day-time, and also shall, on being so required by the Commissioner, or any such member of the Police Force, medical practitioner, or female Inspector, produce for his or their inspection any infant or infants in the care or control of such occupier. And if such occupier shall commit a breach of this regulation he shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding twenty-five pounds.

12. Any person registered under the said Act who shall have charge of a greater number of infants than the number allowed by or under these regulations for the house occupied by such person shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding twenty-five pounds.

13. Every person registered under the Act shall from time to time keep the roll required by the tenth section of the Act, and shall comply with and observe the provisions of that section in every respect.

Every such person shall also from time to time, as occasion requires, comply with and observe the requirements of section 13 of the Act respecting the notice to be given in respect of the death of an infant as therein provided.

14. Female Inspectors may be appointed under clause 12 of the said Act, and shall have the same powers as to inspection as provided for in clauses 10 and 11 of these regulations, and shall have power to examine the house, infants, and books as provided for in the said Act.

15. Before an infant is weaned in order that it may be licensed out under this Act, a certificate from a duly-qualified registered medical man, stating that the child is strong enough to be taken from its mother, must be handed over to the licensee with the child, and must be produced upon demand of any person entitled to call for such production.

16. Particulars of every warrant by the Minister exempting, or order by a Justice of the Peace suspending, the operation of the provisions of section 3 of the said Act shall be entered in a book to be kept in the office of the Minister at Wellington, in the form set forth in Form K in the Schedule hereto.

Every application for exemption or suspension of the provisions of section 3 aforesaid shall be in writing signed by the applicant.

17. In the event of the loss or destruction of a license, the Commissioner shall, before issuing a duplicate license, obtain from the applicant a statutory declaration setting

forth the facts and circumstances of such loss or destruction, and such declaration shall be filed in the office of the Commissioner.

18. The forms set forth in the Schedule hereto are hereby prescribed as forms to be used for the purposes of the said Act and these Regulations.

SCHEDULE.

FORM A.

Form of Application for License as an Infants' Home Keeper under "The Infant Life Protection Act, 1896" (Sections 5 and 6).

No. I, the undersigned, apply for a license as an infants' home keeper under "The Infant Life Protection Act, 1896," as the occupier of the house the description of which is hereunder set forth, and I request that such house may be registered as an infants' home under and for the purposes of the said Act.

Full Name and Residence and Occupation.	Married or Single.	Full Name, Residence, and Occupation of Husband or Wife.	Whether living together or apart.	Situation of House, Number and Size of Rooms.	Number of Infants it is proposed to receive.	Names of Three Householders who certify as to Applicant's Character and Fitness.

And I declare that the several particulars above set forth are true and correct, and that the same form the basis of the application hereby made.

Dated this day of , 189 .

Witness to signature : (Signature of applicant.)

* [If application be for a renewal, add here: "I hold a license under the said Act, which expires on the 31st day of December, 189 , and which I desire to have renewed."]

The Commissioner of Police, Wellington.

FORM B.

Form of Home Keeper's License under "The Infant Life Protection Act, 1896" (Section 8).

No. In pursuance of the provisions of "The Infant Life Protection Act, 1896," I hereby certify that [Name in full], of [Residence and occupation], is duly licensed as the occupier of [State situation of house], and that such house is duly registered as an infants' home under the said Act.

This certificate entitles the holder to retain or receive into care or charge in the above house infants under the age of four years, and is in force until the 31st day of December, 189 .

Dated at Wellington, this day of , 189 .
Commissioner of Police.

FORM C.—(Section 9 of Act.)

REGISTER of Persons having Infants under the Age of Four Years in their Care for Payment or Reward under "The Infant Life Protection Act, 1896."

Date of Registration.	Persons registered.	Houses registered.		Names of Persons recommending Applicant for License.	Children under Care.				
		Locality.	Street and No.		Name and Age.	Names of Persons from whom received.	Whether nursed or maintained.	Maximum Number of Infants allowed to receive.	

FORM D.—(Section 13 of Act.)

Record of Infants received into the Infants' Home at , in Charge of .

No. Date of entry into home :
Name of infant in full :
Sex :
Age :

Full names of parents (or guardians) : *
Occupation of parents (or guardians) : *
Address of parents (or guardians) : *
Amount paid or to be paid to licensee in respect of infant :
In case of death, date and circumstances :
Removal : Date, name, occupation, and address of person by whom removed :

* Strike out one or other, as the case may be.

FORM E.—(Section 16 of Act.)

Warrant for the Removal of a Child under "The Infant Life Protection Act, 1896."

No. WHEREAS is now an inmate of , a licensed infants' home within the meaning of "The Infant Life Protection Act, 1896"; and whereas it has been made to appear to my satisfaction that is entitled to remove the said , and that the entry relating thereto in the record-book is duly made and signed: I, Inspector of Police for the District of , do hereby authorise such removal.

Given under my hand, at , this day of , 189 .

, Inspector of Police for the District of .

FORM F.—(Section 18 of Act.)

Notice of Cancellation of License under "The Infant Life Protection Act, 1896."

WHEREAS it has been made to appear to me that , licensee, is not conducting the infants' home for which she holds a license in a satisfactory manner, and is therefore not a fit person to hold such license: I hereby give notice that—subject to appeal as provided in sections 19 et seq. of the above-mentioned Act—the said license will be cancelled at the expiration of ten days from the service of this notice.

Dated at , this day of , 189 .
Commissioner of Police.

FORM G.

"Infant Life Protection Act, 1896" (Section 26).

Warrant for Custody of Infants when License is cancelled.

WHEREAS by virtue of the provisions of "The Infant Life Protection Act, 1896," the license No. , dated , granted to , has been cancelled: I hereby order and direct the following infants now in the said home shall be removed therefrom, and disposed of as follows:—

Dated at , this day of , 189 .
Commissioner of Police.

FORM H.

Certified Copy of Entry in Register of Persons licensed under "The Infant Life Protection Act, 1896" (Section 37).

REGISTER of Persons having Infants under the Age of Four Years in their Care for Payment or Reward under "The Infant Life Protection Act, 1896."

Date of Registration.	Persons registered.	Houses registered.		Names of Persons recommending Applicant for License.	Children under Care.			Remarks.
		Locality.	Street and No.		Name and Age.	Name of Person from whom received.	Whether nursed or maintained.	

I certify that the above is a true copy of an entry in the register of persons licensed under "The Infant Life Protection Act, 1896."

Dated at , this day of , 189 .
Commissioner of Police.

FORM I.—(Section 4 of Act.)

Warrant of Exemption from Provisions of "The Infant Life Protection Act, 1896."

In the matter of the application made by , of ,
IN pursuance of the powers conferred upon me by "The Infant Life Protection Act, 1896," * [and upon reading the

* Omit this if no order by a Justice be made.

order made herein on the _____ day of _____, 189____, by _____, Esq., a Justice of the Peace for the Colony], I hereby direct that _____ be exempted from the operation of section 3 of the said Act.

Given under my hand, this _____ day of _____, 189____.
Minister of Justice.

FORM J.—(Section 4 of Act.)

Order by a Justice of the Peace under Section 4 of "The Infant Life Protection Act, 1896."

In the matter of the application made by _____ of _____

Upon reading the application made herein [and on hearing Mr. _____, of counsel for the applicant], and in pursuance of the power conferred by section 4 of "The Infant Life Protection Act, 1896," I do hereby order and direct that the operation of the provisions of section 3 of the said Act be suspended for a period of _____ days from the date hereof in so far as the same relate to [Here state institution or person intended to be exempted, and ground of exemption].

Dated at _____, this _____ day of _____, 189____.

A Justice of the Peace for the Colony of New Zealand.

FORM K.—(Regulation 16.)

Record of Warrants and Orders issued under Section 4 of "The Infant Life Protection Act, 1896."

Warrants.					Orders.				
No.	Date.	To whom issued (Name in full, Occupation, and Address).	Nature of Exemption.	Reason for Exemption.	No.	Date.	To whom issued (Name in full, Occupation, and Address).	Name and Address of Justice making the Order.	Nature of and Reason for Exemption.

ALEX. WILLIS,
Clerk of the Executive Council.

Vesting a Reserve in the Kaikoura County Council.

GLASGOW, Governor.

IN pursuance and exercise of the power and authority conferred upon me by the sixteenth section of "The Reserves and Crown Lands Disposal and Enabling Act, 1896," I, David, Earl of Glasgow, the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, do hereby declare that from and after the day of the date hereof the lands described in the Schedule hereto are vested in "The Chairman, Councillors, and Inhabitants of the Kaikoura County," for an estate in fee-simple in trust, for the improvement and protection of the Waimanarara River.

SCHEDULE.

ALL that parcel of land in the District of Kaikoura Suburban, Marlborough Land District, containing by admeasurement 228 acres 2 roods 15 perches, be the same a little more or less, being Sections Nos. 2 of 29, 30, 31, and 32 in the said district. Bounded towards the north by part of Section No. 295, in the said district; towards the west by Section No. 1 of 29 in the said district; again towards the north by a public road along the southern boundary of said Section No. 1 of 29; again towards the west by a public road to the south-west angle of Section No. 32 in the said district; towards the south by a public road to the Waimanarara River; and towards the east by that river to the commencing-point; as the same is delineated on the official map in the office of the Chief Surveyor, Blenheim.

As witness the hand of His Excellency the Governor, this nineteenth day of January, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven.

JOHN MCKENZIE,
Minister of Lands.

Land temporarily reserved in the Land Districts of Auckland, Hawke's Bay, Wellington, Canterbury, and Otago.

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 of 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 Districts of Auckland, Hawke's Bay, Wellington, Canterbury, and Otago described in the Schedule hereto, for the purposes in the said Schedule specified in each case at the end of the descriptions of the lands so intended to be temporarily reserved.

SCHEDULE.

AUCKLAND.

ALL that parcel of land in the Auckland Land District, being Section No. 2 of Block LX., Town of Rotorua, containing by admeasurement 12 acres 1 rood 22 perches, more or less. Bounded towards the north by Pukuatua Street, 339 links; towards the north-east by the Auckland-Rotorua Railway, 1098, 1147, and 47 links; towards the south by the Town Belt, 1470 links; and towards the south-west by a line and by Section No. 1 of Block LX., Town of Rotorua, 1700 links, to the point of commencement: be all the aforesaid linkages more or less; as the same is delineated on the plan deposited in the office of the Chief Surveyor, Auckland. For a reserve for railway purposes.

All that parcel of land in the Auckland Land District, being Allotment No. 333 of the Town of Kihikihi, and containing by admeasurement 3 roods 29 perches, more or less. Bounded towards the north by Nixon Street, 50 links; towards the east by Allotment No. 334 of the Town of Kihikihi, 400 links; towards the south by Herbert Street, 380 links; towards the west by Nixon Street, 43 links; and towards the north-west by the same street, 485 links, to the point of commencement: be all the aforesaid linkages more or less; as the same is delineated on the plan deposited in the office of the Chief Surveyor, Auckland. For a reserve for public sale-yards.

HAWKE'S BAY.

All that parcel of land in the Hawke's Bay Land District, containing by admeasurement 2 roods, more or less, being Section No. 1, Block II., Clive Survey District, and being an island surrounded by the backwater of the Ngaruroro River, formerly the old bed of the Tukituki River: as the same is delineated on the plan deposited in the office of the Chief Surveyor, Napier. For river-conservation purposes.

All that parcel of land in the Hawke's Bay Land District, containing by admeasurement 7 acres 8 roods, more or less, being Section No. 2, Block II., Clive Survey District, and being an island opposite Muddy Creek, surrounded by the backwater of the Ngaruroro River, formerly the old bed of the Tukituki River: as the same is delineated on the plan deposited in the office of the Chief Surveyor, Napier. For river-conservation purposes.

WELLINGTON.

All that parcel of land in the Wellington Land District, containing by admeasurement 8 acres and 16 perches, more or less, being Section No. 185A, Block XIII., Mangahao Survey District. Bounded towards the north and east generally by a public road; towards the south by a public road; and towards the west by G.R. 184 and part of Section 187: as the same is delineated on the plan deposited in the office of the Chief Surveyor, Wellington. As a resting-place for travelling stock.

All that parcel of land in the Wellington Land District, containing by admeasurement 27 acres 1 rood 8 perches, more or less, being Section No. 185, Block XIII., Mangahao Survey District. Bounded towards the north by reserve along Mangahao River; towards the east by reserve along Mangahao River and a public road; towards the south by a public road; and towards the west by reserve along Mangahao River: as the same is delineated on the plan deposited in the office of the Chief Surveyor, Wellington. For the growth and preservation of timber.

CANTERBURY.

All that parcel of land in the Canterbury Land District, containing by admeasurement 2 roods 39 perches, more or less, being Section No. 8107 (in red), formerly part of Reserve No. 2640, Block VIII., Grey Survey District. Bounded towards the north by Lot 6 of Reserve No. 2640,

200 links; towards the east by Reserve No. 1930, 371 links; towards the south by Section No. 15444A, 200 links; and towards the west by a road-line, 371 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, Christchurch. As a reserve for a road.

All that parcel of land in the Canterbury Land District, containing by admeasurement 9 acres 1 rood, more or less, being Section No. 3108 (in red), formerly part of Reserve No. 2640, Block VIII., Grey Survey District. Bounded towards the north by Section No. 15444A, 200 links; towards the east by Section No. 14939, a road-line, and Section No. 6687; towards the south by a road-line, 200 links; and towards the west by a road-line: save and except a road, 100 links wide, which intersects the area hereby described: be all the aforesaid linkages more or less; as the same is delineated on the plan deposited in the office of the Chief Surveyor, Christchurch. As a reserve for a road.

All that parcel of land in the Canterbury Land District, containing by admeasurement 8 acres 1 rood 24 perches, more or less, being Section No. 3109 (in red), formerly part of Reserve No. 2640, Block XII., Grey Survey District. Bounded towards the north by the terrace forming the southern boundary of Rural Section No. 5666A; towards the east by a road-line; towards the south by Lot 15 of Reserve No. 2640, 200 links; and towards the west by Rural Section No. 4590: be all the aforesaid linkages more or less; as the same is delineated on the plan deposited in the office of the Chief Surveyor, Christchurch. As a reserve for a road.

All that parcel of land in the Canterbury Land District, containing by admeasurement 2 acres, more or less, being Section No. 3110 (in red), formerly part of Reserve No. 2640, Block XII., Grey Survey District. Bounded towards the north-west by Section No. 3785A, 300 links; towards the north-east by Section No. 7361; towards the south-east by Lot 20 of Reserve No. 2640, 300 links; and towards the south-west by Sections Nos. 3197 and 3785: save and except a road, 100 links wide, which intersects the area hereby described: be all the aforesaid linkages more or less; as the same is delineated on the plan deposited in the office of the Chief Surveyor, Christchurch. As a reserve for a road.

All that parcel of land in the Canterbury Land District, containing by admeasurement 12 acres, more or less, being Section No. 3111 (in red), formerly part of Reserve No. 2640, Blocks XII. and XVI., Grey Survey District. Bounded towards the north by Lot 22 of Reserve No. 2640, 200 links; towards the east by Rural Section No. 2610; towards the south by land reserved for railway purposes, 200 links; and towards the west by a road-line: be all the aforesaid linkages more or less; as the same is delineated on the plan deposited in the office of the Chief Surveyor, Christchurch. As a reserve for a road.

OTAGO.

All that parcel of land in the Otago Land District, containing by admeasurement 6 acres and 20 perches, more or less, situate in the Glenomaru District, and being Section No. 31 of Block VI. on the map of said district. Bounded towards the west, north, and east by a road-line, 2150 links; and towards the south by a road-line, 897 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, Dunedin. For a public recreation-ground.

All that parcel of land in the Otago Land District, containing by admeasurement 81 acres 2 roods 29 perches, more or less, being Sections Nos. 51, 52, 54, 55, 57, and 58 of Block VII., Rock and Pillar District. Bounded towards the north by Crown lands, 1328 links; towards the east by a road-line, 8646 links; towards the south by Section No. 42 of same block, 2866 links, also by Section No. 59, 1216 links; and towards the west by Crown lands, 2844 links: and intersected by a road-line, 100 links wide: be all the aforesaid linkages more or less; as the same is delineated on the plan deposited in the office of the Chief Surveyor, Dunedin. For a public recreation-ground.

As witness the hand of His Excellency the Governor, this twenty-second day of January, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven.

JOHN MCKENZIE,
Minister of Lands.

Notice of Intention to change the Purpose of a Reserve in Canterbury.

GLASGOW, Governor.

WHEREAS by "The Public Reserves Act, 1881," it is, amongst other things, enacted that the Governor may declare his intention to make, change, exchange, or alter the dedication of any public reserve now or hereafter vested in Her Majesty or the Governor for any of the pur-

poses named in Class II. of the Schedule to the said Act, whether the same be granted or not; and, in the case of any reserves made under the authority of section two hundred and twenty-seven of "The Land Act, 1885," if it shall, in the opinion of the Governor, be expedient to change the purpose of such reserves or any part thereof from the purpose or presumed purpose for which it was set apart to any other purpose, or if it shall, in the opinion of the Governor, be expedient to exchange any of the land comprised in such reserve for other land of equal value, to be dedicated to one or more purposes named in the said Class II., the Governor may, by notice in the *Gazette*, declare his intention to make such change, exchange, or dedication, as the case may be, and in such notice declare the manner and terms in which the same is intended to be so made:

Now, therefore, I, David, Earl of Glasgow, the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, do hereby, in exercise and pursuance of the powers and authorities vested in me by "The Public Reserves Act, 1881," aforesaid, declare my intention to change the specific purpose of the reserve described in the first column of the Schedule hereto from that named therein to that named in the second column of the said Schedule respectively.

SCHEDULE.

Description and Purpose of Original Reserve.	Intended Purpose.
All that parcel of land in the Canterbury Land District, being Reserve No. 1922, situate in the bed of the Rakaia River, containing by admeasurement 636 acres (more or less). Reserved for railway-conservation purposes by warrant in <i>Gazette</i> No. 84, of the 11th October, 1877.	River-conservation purposes.

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

JOHN MCKENZIE,
Minister of Lands.

Removal of Restrictions on Alienation of Native Land.

GLASGOW, Governor.

WHEREAS application has been made to the Governor by the owners of the land described in the Schedule hereto, praying that the restrictions on the alienation of such land contained in the Crown grant bearing date the ninth day of May, one thousand eight hundred and seventy, may be removed: And whereas inquiry has been duly made by the Native Land Court, and the said Court has recommended that such restrictions be removed:

Now, therefore, His Excellency the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, in pursuance and exercise of the powers conferred on him by the fifty-second section of "The Native Land Court Act, 1894," and in accordance with the recommendation of the Native Land Court, do hereby order and declare that all restrictions imposed by the said Crown grant on the alienation of the said lands are hereby removed.

SCHEDULE.

ALL that parcel of land, containing 806 acres, situate in the District of Wanganui, and known as Te Aunui, held under Crown grant dated 9th May, 1870, in favour of Aperahama Tipae and others, and containing the following restrictions: "Inalienable by sale or by lease for a longer period than twenty-one years, or by mortgage, except with the consent of the Governor being previously obtained to every such sale, lease, or mortgage."

As witness the hand of His Excellency the Governor, this nineteenth day of January, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven.

R. J. SEDDON.

Fixing Shooting Season for Deer, License-fee, &c., Wanganui District.

GLASGOW, Governor.

IN exercise of the powers vested in me by "The Animals Protection Act, 1880," and the Acts amending the same, I, David, Earl of Glasgow, the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, do hereby notify that deer (stags only, of not less than eight points) may be taken or killed within the

Wanganui District, comprising the Counties of Wanganui and Waitotara, from Monday, the first day of February, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven, to Monday, the fifteenth day of March, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven, both inclusive (subject, nevertheless, to the restrictions in the said Acts mentioned); and I do further notify that licenses to take or kill such game within the said district shall be issued on payment of the sum of twenty shillings each, and that no licensee shall be allowed

to kill more than one stag, and the Chief Postmaster at Wanganui is hereby appointed to sign and issue the said licenses.

As witness the hand of His Excellency the Governor, this nineteenth day of January, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven.

R. J. SEDDON,
Acting Colonial Secretary.

Lands permanently reserved.

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:

And whereas by the two hundred and thirty-sixth section of the said Act it is provided that land temporarily reserved under the said two hundred and thirty-fifth section may, at the expiration of one month but not later than six months after the publication in the Gazette of notice of such temporary reservation, be permanently reserved, and that notice of such permanent reservation shall be published in the Gazette:

And whereas the lands specified in the first column of the Schedule hereto were, by the warrants the dates of which are specified in the third column of the said Schedule, and the notifications of which were published in the Gazette specified in the fourth column, temporarily reserved under the authority of the said Act for the purposes specified in the second column of the said Schedule:

Now, therefore, I, David, Earl of Glasgow, the 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 permanently reserve the lands so temporarily reserved as aforesaid, and enumerated in the first column of the Schedule hereto, for the purposes specified in the second column of the said Schedule, being the same purposes for which the said lands were so temporarily reserved as aforesaid.

SCHEDULE.

First Column. DESCRIPTION OF RESERVES.					Second Column.	Third Column.	Fourth Column.
Land District.	Locality.	Section.	Block.	Area.	Purpose for which Land reserved.	Date of Warrant.	Gazette.
Auckland ..	Maketu S.D. ..	Part 24	VIII.	A. R. P. 5 1 29	Public cemetery ..	1896. 19 Aug.	1896. No. 66, 27 Aug.
" ..	Arapohue Parish ..	Part 13	II. }	22 2 0	For an agricultural and pastoral show-ground	"	" "
" ..	Tokatoka S.D. ..	..	..	5 3 36	Public recreation- ground	"	" "
" ..	Mangapiko Parish..	Lot 6 and part 7 and part 8	..	..	..	..	..
Otago ..	Benger S.D. ..	86	III.	7 1 12	For a punt-site ..	"	" "
Auckland ..	Suburbs of Mercer	8	..	4 2 20	Public recreation- ground	31 Oct.	No. 84, 5 Nov.
Wellington	Town of Mangatoro	1	..	15 3 24	Public-school-site ..	"	" "
" ..	Town of Mangaweka	31	..	0 1 0	Municipal purposes ..	"	" "
Canterbury	Hinds S.D. ..	3103 (in red)	VI.	2 2 0	Gravel reserve ..	"	" "
" ..	" ..	3104 (in red)	..	2 2 0	" ..	"	" "
Otago ..	Lauder S.D. ..	36	VII.	3 3 38	Public-school site ..	"	" "
" ..	Tautuku S.D. ..	15	IV.	14 1 24	" ..	"	" "
" ..	Town of Balclutha	Reserve 5	..	1 0 0	Public recreation- ground	"	" "
Auckland ..	Hukatero S.D. ..	18A	II.	6 0 0	Public-school site ..	11 Nov.	No. 90, 20 Nov.
" ..	Suburbs of Graham- town	41	..	10 1 16	Public cemetery ..	"	" "
" ..	Whangape S.D. ..	18	VII.	49 2 0	For an agricultural and pastoral society's show-ground	"	" "
Wellington	Mangaone S.D. ..	40c	VI.	2 0 0	Site for cottage hospital	"	" "
" ..	Town of Rangiwahia	77, 78	..	2 0 0	Public-school site ..	"	" "
Canterbury	Rangitata S.D. ..	3112 (in red)	VII., VIII.	10 0 0	Public recreation- ground	"	" "
" ..	" ..	3113 (in red)	VIII.	5 0 0	Public cemetery ..	"	" "
" ..	Pigeon Bay S.D. ..	3106 (in red)	IX., X.	17 0 0	For the growth and preservation of timber	"	" "
" ..	Westerfield S.D. ..	2064 (in red)	XVI.	14 3 0	Site for Road Board offices and buildings	"	" "
" ..	Ashley River Bed ..	3102 (in red)	..	..	..	"	" "
" ..	Rangiora S.D. ..	..	IV., VI., VII., VIII. }	1920 0 0	Public domain ..	"	" "
" ..	Ashley River Bed ..	3101 (in red)	..	..	..	"	" "
" ..	Mairaki S.D. ..	..	I., II., III., IV., VIII. }	5300 0 0	" ..	"	" "
" ..	Rangiora S.D. ..	..	I., V., VI. }	..	..	"	" "

As witness the hand of His Excellency the Governor, this twenty-second day of January, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven.

JOHN MCKENZIE,
Minister of Lands.

Resuming Land in Hamilton West for Post and Telegraph Purposes.

GLASGOW, Governor.

WHEREAS by the fourth section of "The Reserves and Crown Lands Disposal and Enabling Act, 1896," it is enacted that the Governor may, by Gazette notice, resume Section No. 55 of the Town of Hamilton West, containing one acre, as a reserve for post and telegraph purposes, and may grant in exchange therefor to the Waikato Hospital and Charitable Aid Board certain sections therein particularly mentioned:

Now, therefore, I, David, Earl of Glasgow, the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, in pursuance and exercise of the power and authority vested in me by the hereinbefore in part recited provision of the said Act, do hereby notify and declare that I hereby resume Section No. 55 of the Town of Hamilton West aforesaid, containing by admeasurement one acre, more or less, as a reserve for post and telegraph purposes, in order that effect may be given to the said provision of the said Act.

As witness the hand of His Excellency the Governor, this nineteenth day of January, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven.

JOHN MCKENZIE,
Minister of Lands.

Resuming Land in Ashburton as Reserves for Agricultural and Stock Purposes.

GLASGOW, Governor.

WHEREAS by the seventeenth section of "The Reserves and Crown Lands Disposal and Enabling Act, 1896," it is enacted that the Governor, with the consent of the Borough Council of Ashburton, may, by Gazette notice, resume as reserves for agricultural and stock purposes Sections Nos. 991 and 1000 of the Town of Ashburton, and may in exchange therefor grant to the Corporation of the Borough of Ashburton certain sections therein particularly mentioned:

And whereas the Borough Council of Ashburton, by a resolution passed on the fourteenth day of December, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-six, have consented to the resumption of the aforesaid sections, and have agreed to accept the sections mentioned in the seventeenth section of the said Act:

Now, therefore, I, David, Earl of Glasgow, the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, in pursuance and exercise of the power and authority vested in me by the hereinbefore in part recited provision of the said Act, do hereby notify and declare that I hereby resume Sections Nos. 991 and 1000 of the Town of Ashburton aforesaid as reserves for agricultural and stock purposes, in order that effect may be given to the said provision of the said Act.

As witness the hand of His Excellency the Governor, this twenty-second day of January, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven.

JOHN MCKENZIE,
Minister of Lands.

Officers under "The Fisheries Conservation Act, 1884," Wellington District, appointed.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Wellington, 8th January, 1897.

IT is hereby notified that, in pursuance and exercise of the power and authority conferred by section 9 of "The Fisheries Conservation Act, 1884,"

SILVESTER FUDGE VINCENT and
DAVID JUDD

have been appointed officers for the purposes of that Act within the Counties of Hutt, Horowhenua, Wairarapa North, Wairarapa South, Pahiatua, Oroua, Manawatu, Kiwitea, and Pohangina, and within all the town districts and boroughs situated within the said counties.

W. C. WALKER,
Acting Colonial Secretary.

Deputy Registrar of Marriages, &c., appointed.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Wellington, 19th January, 1897.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint

ALFRED JAMES CHARLES TALBOT

to be the Deputy of the Registrar of Marriages and of Births and Deaths for the District of Mount Bengier.

R. J. SEDDON,
Acting Colonial Secretary.

Rangers under the Animals Protection Acts, Wellington District, appointed.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Wellington, 19th January, 1897.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint

SILVESTER FUDGE VINCENT and
DAVID JUDD

to be Rangers under "The Animals Protection Act, 1880," and the Acts amending the same, for the District of Wellington.

R. J. SEDDON,
Acting Colonial Secretary

Public Vaccinator, Timaru District, appointed.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Wellington, 21st January, 1897.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint

CHARLES ERNEST THOMAS, Esq., M.R.C.S. Eng.,

to be a Public Vaccinator under "The Public Health Act, 1876," for the Timaru District.

W. C. WALKER,
Acting Colonial Secretary.

Deputy Registrar of Marriages, &c., appointed.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Wellington, 21st January, 1897.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint

JOHN WATSON BAXTER

to be the Deputy of the Registrar of Marriages and of Births and Deaths for the District of Hokianga.

W. C. WALKER,
Acting Colonial Secretary.

Russian Consul for New Zealand at Melbourne appointed.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Wellington, 21st January, 1897.

HIS Excellency the Governor directs it to be notified that he has been informed by Her Majesty's Principal Secretary of State for the Colonies that

BARON D'UNGERN-STERNBERG,

Consul of Russia at Melbourne, has been appointed Consul of Russia for New Zealand.

J. CARROLL,
Acting Colonial Secretary.

Clerk of Warden's Court, &c., appointed.

Department of Justice,
Wellington, 21st January, 1897.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint

JOHN THOMSON

to be Clerk of the Warden's Court and Receiver of Gold Revenue and Mining Registrar at Tauranga from 1st January instant.

T. THOMPSON.

Members of Licensing Committees appointed.

Department of Justice,
Wellington, 25th January, 1897.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint

The Honourable WILLIAM COWFER SMITH

to be a member of the Licensing Committee for the District of Waipawa;

ERNEST STEPHEN THYNNE and
ALEXANDER McCULLOCH

to be members of the Licensing Committee for the District of Otaki;

JOHN TALBOT

to be a member of the Licensing Committee for the District of Pareora; and

ROBERT WATSON

to be a member of the Licensing Committee for the District of City of Nelson, *vice* W. Gibbs, deceased.

T. THOMPSON,

Appointment under "The Public Works Act, 1894."—Notice No. 473.

Department of Agriculture,
Wellington, 26th January, 1897.

HIS Excellency the Governor, in pursuance and exercise of the powers conferred by "The Public Works Act, 1894," has been pleased to appoint

ALEXANDER IRONSIDE,

of Clyde, Inspector of Stock, to be the person to apply for and obtain on behalf of Her Majesty the Queen any license or other authority required to be held or exercised in respect of the water-races, water rights, and other privileges enumerated in the Schedule hereto under "The Mining Act, 1891," or any amendment thereof, or any regulations made thereunder respectively; and also to exercise, on behalf of Her Majesty the Queen, all such rights, remedies, and authorities to execute such instruments or documents, and to perform all such conditions in respect of any such license or authority as aforesaid in the name and on behalf of Her Majesty the Queen as she might have or exercise or could be called upon to perform if she were a private person holding such exercise or authority.

SCHEDULE.

A WATER-RACE, with a right to divert four heads of water, commencing at or near the Vincent County race at the gorge of the Waikerikeri Creek, and terminating at the proposed experimental fruit station, Sections 72 and 77, Block I., Leaning Rock District.

JOHN MCKENZIE,
For Minister of Mines.

School Commissioners appointed.

Education Department,
Wellington, 23rd January, 1897.

PURSUANT to "The Education Reserves Act 1877 Amendment Act, 1882," His Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint

CHARLES WILLIAM ADAMS, Esq.,

to be a School Commissioner for the Provincial District of Marlborough, *vice* Sidney Weetman, Esq., resigned; and

SIDNEY WEETMAN, Esq.,

to be a School Commissioner for the Provincial District of Canterbury, *vice* J. W. A. Marchant, Esq., resigned.

W. C. WALKER.

Volunteer Officers appointed.

Defence Office,
Wellington, 19th January, 1897.

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

Wellington Naval Artillery Volunteer Brigade.

The Right Rev. Frederic Wallis, D.D., Anglican Bishop of Wellington, to be Honorary Chaplain. Date of commission, 2nd January, 1897.

Greymouth Naval Artillery Volunteers.

John Arrowsmith Bromley to be Lieutenant. Date of commission, 3rd December, 1896.

Canterbury Yeomanry Cavalry Volunteers.

Robert Heaton Rhodes, jun., to be Lieutenant. Date of commission, 3rd December, 1896.

Otago Hussar Volunteers.

Crosby Morris to be Lieutenant. Date of commission, 2nd December, 1896.

Christ's College Rifle Volunteers.

George Henry Merton to be Lieutenant. Date of commission, 3rd December, 1896.

Oamaru Rifle Volunteers.

William Frederick Cork to be Lieutenant.

William Hudson Soon to be Lieutenant.

Date of commissions, 2nd December, 1896.

Taranaki Rifle Volunteers.

The Rev. Frank George Evans to be Honorary Chaplain. Date of commission, 7th December, 1896.

T. THOMPSON.

Issue of Imperial Volunteer Officers' Decoration.

Defence Office,
Wellington, 19th January, 1897.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to approve of the issue of the Imperial Volunteer Officers' Decoration to

Brigade-Surgeon Lieut.-Colonel PATRICK JOSEPH O'NEILL O'CARROLL, General Medical List, New Zealand Volunteers,

he having a total efficient commissioned service counting towards the Decoration to the 31st December, 1896, of 26 years 130 days.

T. THOMPSON.

Volunteer Officer resigned.

Defence Office,
Wellington, 19th January, 1897.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to accept the resignation of the commission held by the under-mentioned officer:—

Greymouth Rifle Volunteers.

Captain Thomas George Moss. Date of resignation, 3rd September, 1896.

T. THOMPSON.

Volunteer Cadet Corps disbanded.

Defence Office,
Wellington, 19th January, 1897.

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

Wellesley Street Public School Rifle Cadet Volunteers (Auckland)

as from the 3rd December, 1896.

T. THOMPSON.

Trustees, Rifle-range, resigned.

Defence Office,
Wellington, 19th January, 1897.

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

Captain JOHN DAVIES,

late Kumara Rifle Volunteers; and Messrs.

WILLIAM BAIN and

WILLIAM CLOSE,

of their appointments as Trustees of the Kumara Rifle-range, from the 5th October, 1896.

T. THOMPSON.

Justice of the Peace resigned.

Department of Justice,
Wellington, 19th January, 1897.

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

ROBERT REYBURN, Esq.,

of Whangarei, of his appointment as a Justice of the Peace for the colony.

T. THOMPSON.

Result of Poll for Proposed Loan, Pohangina County Council.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Wellington, 23rd January, 1897.

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

J. CARROLL,
Acting Colonial Secretary.

COUNTY OF POHANGINA.—THE GORGE SPECIAL RATING DISTRICT.

THE following is the result of a poll taken on Monday, the 18th January, 1897, on a proposal of the Pohangina County Council to raise the sum of £1,000 by way of loan, under the provisions of "The Local Bodies' Loans Act, 1886," for the purpose of constructing the Gorge Road; and to levy a special rate on the value of the several properties within the above special rating district:—

Number of ratepayers on special roll, 5; number of votes exercisable, 6; Number of ratepayers who voted for the proposal, 4; number of votes recorded for the proposal, 4; number of votes recorded against the proposal, nil.

A majority of the ratepayers, exercising more than one-half of the total number of votes exercisable, having voted for the proposal, I therefore declare it to be carried.

H. DICKIN,
Chairman, Pohangina County Council.

Pohangina, 19th January, 1897.

Special Order made by the Raglan County Council merging the Pirongia Road District in Raglan County.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Wellington, 25th January, 1897.

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

J. CARROLL,
Acting Colonial Secretary.

SPECIAL ORDER.

THAT it be a special order of the Raglan County Council that the Pirongia Road Board be abolished, and the Pirongia Road District be merged in the Raglan County, such order to take effect from date of gazetting same.

I hereby certify that the above special order merging the Pirongia Road District was duly made as by law required.

W. T. CONRADI,
County Clerk.

Raglan County Council Office, Raglan, 14th January, 1897.

Result of Poll for Proposed Loan, Hutt County Council.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Wellington, 26th January, 1897.

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

J. CARROLL,
Acting Colonial Secretary.

COUNTY OF HUTT.—No. 4 LOAN, GOLLAN'S VALLEY ROAD.

RESULT of a poll taken on the 7th day of December, 1896, on a proposal to raise a loan of £500, under "The Local Bodies' Loans Act, 1886," and amendments thereof, and "The Government Loans to Local Bodies Act, 1886," and amendment thereof, for the purpose of constructing six miles (more or less) of that portion of the Gollan's Valley Road situate between the northern boundary of Section 20, Block 16, Belmont Survey District, and the top of Gollan's Valley Hill:—

Number of ratepayers on roll, 40, representing 44 votes: Number of ratepayers who voted in favour of the proposal, 29, representing 31 votes; number of ratepayers who voted against the proposal, nil; number of ratepayers who did not vote, 10, representing 12 votes; number of informal votes, 1.

As a majority in number of the ratepayers, representing more than one-half of the votes which can be exercised by the whole number of ratepayers, voted in favour of the proposal, I hereby declare the proposal to be carried.

F. A. MAJENDIE.

Hutt County Council Office,
Wellington, 9th December, 1896.

Letters of Naturalisation issued.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Wellington, 19th January, 1897.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to issue Letters of Naturalisation, under "The Aliens Act, 1880," in favour of the under-mentioned persons:—

Name.	Occupation.	Residence.
Christian Theodor Julius Andersen	Master Mariner	Lyttelton.
Hans Christian Christians	Farmer ..	Mangaweka.
Louis Fehsenfeld ..	Labourer ..	Papanui.
Charles Frederick Hansen	Settler ..	Mangaone Valley.
Thomas Kabala ..	Bushman ..	West Oxford.
Gustav Miske ..	Labourer ..	Invercargill.
Hans Olsen ..	Farmer ..	Nikau.
Andrew Ogren ..	Labourer ..	Clifton, Invercargill.
Louis Spitz ..	Labourer ..	Auckland.
Gustav Steinert ..	Confectioner ..	Auckland.
Henry Schmitt ..	Labourer ..	Rangiwahia.
August Zimmerman ..	Labourer ..	East Oxford.

W. C. WALKER,
Acting Colonial Secretary.

Analyses at Colonial Laboratory.

Mines Department,
Wellington, 23rd January, 1897.

NOTICE.—It is requested that applications for analyses to be performed at the Colonial Laboratory may be addressed to the Under-Secretary, Mines Department, Wellington.

A. J. CADMAN,
Minister of Mines.

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.

R. J. SEDDON,
Commissioner of Trade and Customs.

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.

Result of Road Board Election.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Wellington, 25th January, 1897.

THE following notice of election of a member of a Road Board has been received at this office, and is published in accordance with the provisions of "The Road Boards Act, 1882."

HUGH POLLEN,
Under-Secretary.

Kaurihohore Road District, County of Whangarei:
John Hugh McKenzie.

Notice under "The Unclaimed Lands Act, 1894."

WHEREAS I, the undersigned, the Public Trustee, have for the purposes of "The Unclaimed Lands Act, 1894," made due inquiries with respect to the land described in the Schedule hereunder written and the owner thereof, and have, in respect of the said land, given the notices prescribed by section 4 of the said Act, and have in all respects complied with the provisions of the said section, and whereas I have not thereby ascertained who the owner is, and believe that such owner is not in the colony, nor has such owner established his title to the said land, as required by the said Act: I hereby give notice that the said land is, under and by virtue of the said Act, vested in me as the Public Trustee as aforesaid, as from the date of the publication hereof, and will be administered under the said Act, the value of the said land being less than £100.

Dated at Wellington, this 20th day of January, 1897.

JAMES C. MARTIN,
Public Trustee.

SCHEDULE.

ALL that parcel of land containing by admeasurement 20 perches, be the same a little more or less, situate in the Town of Okarito, in the County of Westland, and numbered 26 on the map of the Chief Surveyor setting out and describing the Town of Okarito aforesaid. Bounded on the northward by Wharf Street, 50 links; on the eastward by Victoria Street, 250 links; on the southward by Section 198, 50 links; and on the westward by Section 25, 250 links.

Notice by the Public Trustee under "The Unclaimed Lands Act, 1894."

To the owner or owners of a parcel of land containing 25 perches, more or less, being Lots 43 and 44 on Deposited Plan No. 193, said to be Fairlie Township, and being part of Rural Section 20810, District of Tengawai, in the Provincial District of Canterbury, being of triangular shape, having frontages to Buchanan Street of 186 links, and to Argyll Street of 167 links, of which the last registered owner is John Sharp, described in the title of the said land as of Fairlie Creek, Stonemason, of whom or of whose family nothing is traceable.

WHEREAS the Public Trustee has instituted inquiries, and has not thereby ascertained who the owner or owners of the above-described land is or are, and believes that such owner is, or owners are, not in the colony:

Now, this notice calls upon such owner or owners, within six months of the date of the publication of this notice in this *Gazette*, to establish to the satisfaction of the Public Trustee his or their title to the land specified in this notice; and, if such owner does or owners do not, within the time limited, so establish his or their title, the Public Trustee will exercise the powers and authorities granted to him in and by "The Unclaimed Lands Act, 1894."

Dated this 23rd day of January, 1897.

JAMES C. MARTIN,
Public Trustee.

Officiating Ministers for 1897.—Notice No. 2.

Registrar-General's Office,
Wellington, 25th January, 1897.

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 names of Officiating Ministers within the meaning of the said Act are published for general information:—

Presbyterian Church of Otago and Southland.
Griffiths, The Reverend John.

Primitive Methodist Connexion.
Bourne, The Reverend John M.
Pybus, The Reverend Thomas A.

E. J. VON DADELSZEN,
Registrar-General.

[ERRATUM.—In general list, page 3, under head of "Presbyterian Church of New Zealand," for "George Young Robey" read "George Young Roby."]

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 infested 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.

Public Notice under "The Stock Act, 1893," re *Liver-fluke*.—
Notice No. 470.

Department of Agriculture (Live-stock Branch),
Wellington, 5th January, 1897.

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 infested 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 or parcel of land, known as the Te Aute Run, situated in the Waipawa, Hawke's Bay, and Patangata Counties, bounded as follows: Commencing at the Te Aute Railway-station, thence in a northerly direction along the boundary of the Te Hauke Proclaimed District to the point where the prolongation of the boundary between Lots 1 and 2 of the Ngawhakatara Block continued across the Poukawa Lake would strike it; thence easterly along the said line and boundary to the Tukituki River; thence up that river to the south boundary of Patangata No. 2; thence westerly along the southern boundary of that block to the Papanui Stream; thence up that stream and the eastern boundary of Patangata No. 3 to the southern boundary of that block; thence westerly along the southern boundaries of Patangata No. 3 and the Otane Block to the south-east corner of the

land granted to the Bishop of Wellington; thence westerly along the southern boundary of the aforesaid land to the southern boundary of Sebastopol No. 3 Paddock; thence westerly along that boundary to the south-west corner of that paddock; thence northerly along the western boundaries of the aforesaid paddock and of the land granted to the Bishop of Wellington to the north-west corner of the said land; thence easterly along the northern boundary of the aforesaid land to the main Kaikora North and Te Aute Road; thence northerly along that road to a road running through the Poupoutahi Block; thence easterly along that road to where it crosses the railway-line; thence northerly along the railway-line to the point of commencement.

All that piece or parcel of land, called or known as the "Flukey Paddock," containing about 74 acres, situated in the Te Mahanga Run, Te Mata Survey District, Hawke's Bay County.

JOHN D. RITCHIE,
Chief Inspector of Stock.

Crown Lands Notices.

Totara Timber, Mangaone and Tatarua Districts, for Sale
by Public Auction for Cash.

District Lands and Survey Office,
Wellington, 26th January, 1897.

NOTICE is hereby given that the totara timber on the under-mentioned Crown lands will be offered for sale by public auction, at the Public Hall, Eketahuna, on Wednesday, 10th March, 1897, at 10 o'clock a.m.

SCHEDULE.

Lot.	Section.	Block.	Survey District.	Area.	Upset Price per Acre.
				A. R. P.	£ s. d.
1	7, 11	I.	Mangaone ..	160 0 0	16 0 0
3	12	VII.	Tatarua ..	153 0 0	12 0 0
4	12	"	" ..	139 0 0	14 8 0

TERMS OF SALE.

The purchaser shall pay an eighth of the purchase-money and £1 ls. license-fee on the fall of the hammer, and the balance in four equal instalments: the first instalment to be paid on the 1st March, 1898; the second on the 1st March, 1899; the third on the 1st March, 1900; and the fourth on the 1st March, 1901.

The first payment of an eighth of the purchase-money shall be made by cash or marked cheque. Approved promissory notes payable on demand to be given for the remainder of the purchase-money, when the license to enter upon the land will be issued. They will be presented for payment on the dates stated above, but the Commissioner reserves the right of presenting them at an earlier date if at any time the Crown Lands Ranger reports that more than one-fifth, two-fifths, three-fifths, or four-fifths of timber respectively has been cut out previous to the dates mentioned.

The timber on the lots will be offered subject to the right of the Land Board to authorise the laying-down and working of tram-lines by other persons than the purchaser of the particular lot offered.

The purchaser of each lot shall have the sole use of the land contained therein, and the right to cut and remove all timber thereon during a period of six years from the date of sale. Should one person purchase more than one lot, this time will be extended to such time as may be mutually agreed between the purchaser and the Commissioner.

Plans containing full particulars may be obtained at the principal post-offices in the district, and at this office.

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

Kauri and Totara Timber, Auckland, for Sale by Public Auction.

Lands and Survey Office,
Auckland, 24th December, 1896.

IT is hereby notified that the under-mentioned kauri and totara timber, situated in the Auckland Girls' High School Endowment, in Blocks XI., XII., and XVI., Mangungu Survey District, Hobson County, will be submitted for sale by public auction at this office on Friday, the 5th March, 1897, at 11 o'clock a.m.:—

Lot 1.—1,166 kauri-trees, containing about 3,674,031ft.; 91 totara-trees, containing about 121,518ft.: total, 3,795,549ft.: upset price, £2,055 18s. 6d.

Lot 2.—612 kauri-trees, containing about 2,062,924ft. ; 53 totara-trees, containing about 68,131ft. : total, 2,131,055ft. : upset price, £1,154 6s. 4d.

Lot 3.—2,670 kauri-trees, containing about 10,184,988ft. ; 25 totara-trees, containing about 39,152ft. : total, 10,224,140ft. : upset price, £5,538.

Lot 4.—332 kauri-trees, containing about 1,140,072ft. ; 4 totara-trees, containing about 5,760ft. : total, 1,145,832ft. : upset price, £620 13s.

Timber may be removed as under:—

From Lots 1 and 2, up to 12th March, 1901, along the temporary road reserve on south side of Okaha Stream to the Wairoa River. From Lot 3, up to the 12th March, 1901, along the temporary road reserve on the west side of Boar Stream to the Mangonui River. From Lot 4, up to the end of the term of five years, by the Mangonui River.

Conditions of Sale.—One-half of the purchase-money to be paid in cash or by marked cheque on the fall of the hammer, the balance in four equal annual payments commencing on 1st February, 1898. Timber to be removed from Lots 1, 2, and 4 within five years, and from Lot 3 within eight years, from date of sale.

GERHARD MUELLER,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Pastoral Run, Canterbury, for Lease.

District Lands and Survey Office,
Christchurch, 26th January, 1897.

THE under-mentioned run will be offered for lease at this office on Saturday, the 27th February, 1897, at 12 o'clock noon.

Run No. 159, Rockwood Station: Area, 6,900 acres; upset annual rental, £200; term, 3 years.

Possession, 1st March, 1897.

SIDNEY WEETMAN,
Commissioner Crown Lands.

Pastoral Runs, Marlborough, for Lease.

District Lands and Survey Office,
Blenheim, 26th January, 1897.

THE under-mentioned runs will be offered for lease at this office on Saturday, the 27th February, 1897, at 11 a.m.

Run No. 104, Patriarch (Class I.): Area, 14,900 acres; upset annual rental, £35; term, 3 years.

Run No. 105, Raglan (Class I.): Area, 37,900 acres; upset annual rental, £100; term, 3 years.

Run No. 106, Birch Hill Station (Class I.): Area, 49,300 acres; upset annual rental, £100; term, 3 years.

C. W. ADAMS,
Commissioner Crown Lands.

Pastoral Runs, Nelson, for Lease by Public Auction.

District Lands and Survey Office,
Nelson, 25th January, 1897.

NOTICE is hereby given that the under-mentioned pastoral runs will be submitted to public auction for lease on Thursday, the 25th February, 1897, at the District Lands and Survey Office, Christchurch, at 11 a.m.

SCHEDULE.

Run No.	Name of Run.	Area.	Term.	Upset Rental.
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Skiddaw and Mytholm Survey Districts.

13 (Class I.) | Lake Marion .. | 45,500 | 21 years | £75
This run is situated on the southern side of the watershed between the rivers Hope and Hurunui, fronting on Lake Sumner, and adjoining glens of Tekoa Estate. The country is partly bush, consisting of white- and silver-birch, and partly open land with tussock and sown grasses. The average altitude above sea-level is about 4,000ft., the margin of Lake Sumner being about 1,700ft. Distance from Culverden, about twenty miles.

Terako Survey District.

15 (Class I.) | Cloudy Range | 23,400 | 21 years | £175
This run is weighted with £750 valuation for improvements, to be paid by incoming tenant. Boundaries subject to survey. Formerly held by Messrs. Wharton and Co.

Waiau and Terako Survey Districts.

14 (Class I.) | Hoosack .. | 37,500 | 21 years | £250
Improvements on this run are estimated at over £900, being fencing, yards, huts, &c., which are thrown in with the lease. Boundaries subject to survey. Formerly held by Mr. John Tinline and Messrs. Macfarlane.

Possession will be given on the 1st March, 1897.

The above runs will be sold generally in accordance with the provisions of Part VI. of "The Land Act, 1892."

Purchasers must deposit statutory declarations required by section 62 of "The Land Act, 1892," and pay the first half-year's rent, together with license-fee and valuation for improvements, on fall of the hammer.

THOS. HUMPHRIES,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Pastoral Licenses, Canterbury, for Lease by Public Auction.

District Lands and Survey Office,
Christchurch, 19th January, 1897.

NOTICE is hereby given that the under-mentioned pastoral lands will be submitted to public auction, for lease, on Thursday, the 25th February, 1897.

SCHEDULE.

CANTERBURY LAND DISTRICT.

Pastoral Licenses (under "The Land Act, 1892").

Run No.	Name of Station.	County.	Area.	Upset Annual Rental.	Term of License.
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To be sold at the local Lands and Survey Office, Timaru, at 12 o'clock noon.

88 | Rhoborough Downs | Mackenzie | 64,600 | 200 | 21 yrs.

Situated between Lake Pukaki and the summit of the Ben Ohau Range, the elevation ranging from about 1,600ft. to 6,300ft. above sea-level.

87 | Ben Ohau .. | Mackenzie | 54,400 | 200 | 21 yrs.

This run is situated in the forks of the Ohau and Pukaki Rivers, and extends north-westward to the foot of Lake Ohau, and takes in the southern end of the Ben Ohau Range.

The south-eastern portion of the run comprises open, level tussock and stony country, at an elevation of from about 1,300ft. to 1,700ft. above sea-level; the western portion of the run is mountainous in character, the Ben Ohau Range rising to an altitude of 5,582ft.

92 | Part of Benmore | Waitaki | 28,000 | 30 | 21 yrs.

Situated between Lake Ohau and the summit of the Barrier Range, the elevation ranging from about 1,700ft. to 7,650ft. above sea-level; about 10,000 acres are fairly-grassed country. This run is weighted with a valuation of £330 on account of homestead buildings, wool-shed, yards, boundary and subdivision fencing, &c., which sum must be paid by the purchaser of the license on the fall of the hammer.

95A | Cotter's | Vincent | 28,800 | 5 | 21 yrs.

Situated in the upper portion of the Hawea Valley, including the flats on both sides of the Upper Hunter River, fit for grazing cattle.

99A | Greenbush and Island Flat | Vincent | 25,500 | 5 | 21 yrs.

Situated in the Hawea Valley, including river-flats on the east side of the Hunter River, capable of grazing cattle.

To be sold at the Lands and Survey Office, Christchurch, at 12 o'clock noon.

139 | Loburn | Ashley .. | 1,100 | 30 | 3 yrs.

This run is situated between the east and west branches of the Grey River, about a mile and a half south-west of Mount Grey, and comprises hilly land, partly open tussock country, and partly covered with scrub. The elevation ranges from about 1,300ft. to 1,800ft. above sea-level.

136 | Broomfield .. | Ashley .. | 4,326 | 120 | 3 yrs.

This run is situated on the Mount Grey Range, about nine miles from the Amberley Railway-station; it includes the sources of the Kowai River, and comprises mountainous and hilly open country, with areas of bush and scrub. The greatest elevation varies from about 1,000ft. to 3,000ft. above sea-level.

CONDITIONS.

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

Purchasers must deposit statutory declarations required by section 62 of "The Land Act, 1892," and pay the first half-year's rent, together with license-fee and valuation for improvements (if any), on fall of the hammer.

Full particulars, plans, forms of declaration, &c., may be obtained on application at the District Lands and Survey Office, Christchurch. Maps will be ready about the 1st February.

SIDNEY WEETMAN,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Pastoral Leases, Marlborough, for Lease by Public Auction.

District Lands and Survey Office, Blenheim, 22nd January, 1897.

NOTICE is hereby given that the under-mentioned pastoral lands will be offered for lease by public auction, at the District Lands and Survey Office, Blenheim, on Thursday, the 25th February, 1897, at 11 a.m.

PASTORAL LANDS (UNDER PART VI. OF "THE LAND ACT, 1892").

No. of Run.	Name of Run.	Area.	Term.	Upset Annual Rental.		
				£	s.	d.
107	Stronvar (Class I.) ...	88,000	21 years	300	0	0
108	Castle " ...	7,700	21 "	35	0	0
109	Avondale " ...	34,100	21 "	150	0	0
111	Delta " ...	573	10 "	15	0	0
112	Dumgree " ...	2,900	21 "	50	0	0
116	Upcot " ...	21,800	21 "	60	0	0
117	Langridge " ...	28,400	21 "	120	0	0
118	Gladstone " ...	9,800	21 "	30	0	0
120	Middlehurst " ...	36,100	21 "	140	0	0
121	Kekerangu " ...	53,300	10 "	300	0	0
122	Richmond Brook " ...	6,500	10 "	60	0	0
123	Wakefield Downs " ...	1,625	10 "	50	0	0
124	Clarence " ...	82,500	21 "	600	0	0
126	Kincaid (Class II.) ...	19,000	5 "	250	0	0
127	Swyncombe (Class I.) ...	12,300	10 "	120	0	0
130	Dillon " ...	70,700	21 "	300	0	0

Run No. 107 (Stronvar).—Situate about forty miles from Blenheim, up the Waihopai Valley, also extends over into the Acheron Valley. Chiefly high, broken, tussock country, with some patches of birch forest. The Government having arranged to acquire about ten miles of freehold along the Waihopai River, this run can be worked independently by itself.

Run No. 108 (Castle).—Situate about forty-five miles from Blenheim, up the Wairau, Waihopai, and Spray Valleys. High, broken country, with some shingle spurs and birch forest.

Run No. 109 (Avondale).—Situate about twenty-seven miles from Blenheim, and at the back of the Avondale freeholds. High, broken country, with some birch forest along the western boundary.

Run No. 111 (Delta).—Situate about twelve miles from Blenheim, up the Wairau Valley, and fronting the Wairau River. All flat, poor, sandy soil, covered with manuka scrub and native grasses.

Run No. 112 (Dumgree).—Situate about eighteen miles from Blenheim, in the Awatere Valley. A hill-top, entirely surrounded by the Dumgree freeholds, and covered with fern and tussock.

Run No. 116 (Upcot).—Situate in the Awatere Valley, about fifty-five miles from Blenheim, lying at the back of the Upcot freeholds. Poor, high, broken country.

Run No. 117 (Langridge).—Situate in the Awatere Valley, about fifty-eight miles from Blenheim, and at the back of the freehold. Chiefly high tussock spurs running from a high shingle range.

Run No. 118 (Gladstone).—Situate in the Awatere Valley, about fifty-four miles from Blenheim, at the back of the Gladstone freehold, and is practically inaccessible, except through the freehold. High, mountainous country, including high, rocky ranges and shingle slides.

Run No. 120 (Middlehurst).—Situate in the Awatere Valley, about sixty miles from Blenheim, and at the back of the freeholds. There is some good pastoral country round Mowat's Lookout, but the remainder is high, rugged country, extending back to the summit of the Inland Kaikoura Range.

Run No. 121 (Kekerangu).—Situate in the Clarence Valley; the northern end is about twelve miles by bridle-track from Kekerangu Homestead, on the coast, and sixty-five miles from Blenheim. It extends southerly along the Clarence River to Red Hill Stream. This run is very much cut up by numerous freehold sections, otherwise, although broken, it is good pastoral country, chiefly limestone; there is a good deal of tauhinu and matakauri on it.

Run No. 122 (Richmond Brook).—Situate between the head of the Flaxbourne and the Ure Rivers; high, broken, tussock country of good quality. Accessible only up the Ure River, fifty miles from Blenheim.

Run No. 123 (Wakefield Downs).—Situate between two tributaries of the Blind River, and lying between the Starborough and Flaxbourne Estates. Good hillside, pastoral country; about thirty miles from Blenheim.

Run No. 124 (Clarence).—Situate mainly in the Clarence Valley; it is excellent country, a large portion being on limestone. The drawback to this run is the difficulty of access, the sheep having to be driven over the range to the Kaikoura side to be shorn at what is known as the reserve on the main road. This reserve is now included as part of the run, and on it are the wool-shed, yards, and other buildings, ample for homestead purposes. These buildings go with the run as part of the leasehold.

Run No. 126 (Kincaid).—Situate about five miles up the Hapuku and Puhipuhi (Buebue) Rivers from the coast, and stretching northerly to Mount Alexander. The southern and eastern portions are good limestone country, well grassed. The western portion extends to the summit of the Seaward Kaikouras, and is to a large extent under bush. This run is about twelve miles from Kaikoura Town.

Run No. 127 (Swyncombe).—Situate about twelve miles from Kaikoura Town, and at the back of the Swyncombe freehold; high, broken country, extending to the summit of the Inland Kaikoura Range. It is accessible up Cribb Creek.

Run No. 130 (Dillon).—Situate at the south-western corner of the Land District of Marlborough, north-east of the Guide, Acheron, and Clarence Rivers. A large proportion of this run is composed of high ranges of travelling shingle; the lower slopes and river-flats are well grassed—the southern portion, known as “Bullen’s Hills,” particularly so. This run is about thirty-five miles from Culverden.

The above runs will be sold generally in accordance with the provisions of Part VI. of “The Land Act, 1892.”

Possession will be given on the 1st March, 1897.

Purchasers must deposit a statutory declaration required by section 62 of “The Land Act, 1892,” and pay the sum of the half-year’s rent, license-fee, and valuation for improvements (if any) on fall of the hammer.

Maps will be ready about the 1st February.

C. W. ADAMS,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Lands in Southland open for Sale or Selection.

District Lands and Survey Office, Invercargill, 12th January, 1897.

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 Thursday, the 4th March, 1897.

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

SCHEDULE.

SOUTHLAND LAND DISTRICT.

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.										
A. R. P. £ s. d. £ s. d. s. d. £ s. d. s. d. £ s. d.										
Southland	Waikawa ..	7	VII.	127 1 0	1 0 0	127 5 0	1 0	3 3 8	0 9 6	2 10 11
Land undulating, covered with bush of no commercial value; soil fair; height above sea-level, from 100ft. to 950ft.; distance from Waikawa about three miles.										
SECOND-CLASS LAND.										
Southland	Campbell't'n	43	III.	93 0 36	0 10 0	46 12 3	0 6	1 3 4	0 4 8	0 18 8
"	"	44	"	79 0 16	0 10 0	39 11 0	0 6	0 19 9	0 4 8	0 15 10
"	"	26	XI.	158 1 22	0 10 0	79 3 11	0 6	1 19 7	0 4 8	1 11 8
Land flat, covered with manuka scrub; wet and peaty in places. Section 26, Block XI., is burdened with £10 valuation for fencing.										
Southland	Toetoes ..	13	X.	205 3 17	0 15 0	154 7 11	0 9	3 17 2	0 7 2	3 1 9
"	"	14	"	258 1 13	0 15 0	193 15 0	0 9	4 16 10	0 7 2	3 17 6
A portion is open land, the remainder being covered with mixed bush; land undulating; situated about seven miles and a half from Fortrose, accessible by road.										
Wallace ..	Centre Hill	1	XIV.	217 2 30	0 10 0	108 16 10	0 6	2 14 5	0 4 8	2 3 6
Open, hilly, tussock-clad land, well watered; distance by road from Mossburn Railway-station, about twelve miles.										
Southland	Waimumu..	34	..	399 0 0	0 10 0	199 10 0	0 6	4 19 9	0 4 8	3 19 10
This section is covered with scrub, but there are a few red-pine, black-pine, and kowhai trees; soil, black loam, is broken and stony in parts; height above sea-level, from 600ft. to 1,400ft.; distance by road from Mataura Township is about fourteen miles.										
Southland	New River	27	X.	56 0 16	0 12 6	35 1 3	0 7½	0 17 6	0 6	0 14 0
Land is for the most part covered with scrub and timber, fit only for firewood; soil peaty; height above sea-level, 50ft.; distance from Ryal Bush Railway-station, by partly-formed road, about five miles.										
Wallace ..	Waiau ..	115	..	57 0 35	0 12 6	35 13 3	0 7 5	0 17 11	0 6	0 14 4
"	"	116	..	59 3 16	0 12 6	37 8 1	0 7 5	0 18 9	0 6	0 15 0
Land level; soil poor; gravel formation; vegetation, silver-tussock and fern; height above sea-level, from 300ft. to 350ft.; distance from Otautau Railway-station, about twenty-five miles by a good summer road.										
Southland	Otara ..	29	VI.	138 0 0	1 2 6	155 5 0	1 1½	3 17 8	0 10½	3 2 1
"	"	34	"	314 0 0	0 15 0	235 10 0	0 9	5 17 9	0 7½	4 14 2
"	"	36	"	315 0 0	0 15 0	236 5 0	0 9	5 18 2	0 7½	4 14 6
"	"	39	"	264 2 1	0 15 0	198 7 8	0 9	4 19 2	0 7½	3 19 4
"	"	44	"	267 0 0	0 15 0	200 5 0	0 9	5 0 2	0 7½	4 0 1
"	"	45	"	244 0 0	0 15 0	183 0 0	0 9	4 11 6	0 7½	3 13 2
"	"	46	"	282 0 0	0 15 0	211 10 0	0 9	5 5 9	0 7½	4 4 7
This land is undulating pastoral country, mostly covered with bush of no commercial value, and is well watered; the distance from Fortrose is about eleven miles, and the height above sea-level varies from 400ft. to 760ft.										

D. BARRON,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Sale of Education Reserves, New Plymouth.

Lands and Survey Office,
New Plymouth, 12th January, 1897.

IT is hereby notified that the under-mentioned education reserves in the Town of New Plymouth will be offered for sale by public auction for cash, at this office, on Wednesday, the 14th day of April, 1897, at noon.

SCHEDULE.

Part Section 1523: Area, about 8½ perches; upset price, £5.
Part Section 1548: Area, about 8½ perches; upset price, £5.

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

Full particulars may be ascertained and plans obtained at this office.

JOHN STRAUCHON,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Village-homestead Allotments, Wellington, open for Selection on Lease in Perpetuity.

District Lands and Survey Office,
Wellington, 6th January, 1897.

THE under-mentioned Crown lands will be open for selection on lease in perpetuity on and after Wednesday, the 17th February, 1897, at the District Lands and Survey Office, Wellington. 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.

District.	Section.	Area.	Lease in Perpetuity: Rent, 4 per Cent.	
			Rent per Acre.	Half-yearly Rent.

Rangitikei County.

	A.	R.	P.	S.	d.	£	s.	d.
Rakatoru V.S. | 32 |	15	3	9	3	2.4	1	5	4

Improvements to the value of £87 4s. have been effected, with which the section is loaded.

This section is situated on the Main North Island Trunk Road, north of Mangaweka. The land is well watered; two-thirds of it is level, and the soil is good, on a papa formation. It has all been cleared and grassed, and other improvements have been effected.

Wanganui County.

Mangamahu V.S. 3	13	1	32	4	9.6	1	12	4
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Weighted with £10 4s. for improvements.

Mangamahu V.S. 4	13	1	24	4	9.6	1	12	2
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Weighted with £7 10s. for improvements.

Mangamahu V.S. 8	17	3	5	4	9.6	2	2	9
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Weighted with £7 4s. for improvements.

These sections are situated near the main road from Maungakaretu to Fordell, on the western bank of the Wangaehu River, near its confluence with the Mangamahu Stream, and distant about seventeen miles from the Fordell Railway-station. The land is watered by springs, streams, and the Wangaehu River; the soil is fair, on a clay-and-gravel formation, and most of the land is in grass. Section 3 has about 7 acres and Sections 4 and 8 have about 10 acres of level land each.

Wairarapa North County.

Pongaroa V.S. 9*	20	0	0	1	7.2	0	16	0
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Weighted with £1 for improvements.

Pongaroa V.S. 37	20	1	8	2	1.2	1	1	4
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Weighted with £29 2s. for improvements.

Pongaroa V.S. 10	19	3	9	1	9.6	0	17	10
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Weighted with £1 for improvements.

These sections are situated on the Alfredton-Weber Road, distant from one to two miles from the Pongaroa Township. The soil is clayey, on a papa formation. Sections 9 and 10 have about 8 acres of flat land each, and Section 37 has 5 acres of level land. The two former sections are watered by a permanent stream. Section 37 has about 13 acres felled and grassed, and 1 acre has been felled only on each of the other two sections; the balance is covered with mixed timber.

Paa Creek V.S. 4	10	0	0	2	9.6	0	14	0
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Weighted with £28 16s. for improvements.

This section is distant from Pahiatua, in a south-easterly direction, about ten miles, and from Hamua and Eketahuna it is about nine and eleven miles respectively. It fronts on a metalled road, and consists of alluvial soil on a shingle formation. It is watered by a stream, is all level, and has been felled and laid down in grass.

Rangitikei County.

Makohine V.S. 12	27	1	0	2	6	1	14	1
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Weighted with £10 10s. for improvements.

This section is situated about two miles from Mangaonoho Railway-station, and seven miles from Hunterville, six miles and a half of which is a metalled road, the remainder being a cart-road to within 10 chains, and a pack-track the rest of the way. Five acres of the section are flat, the balance being fair to rough. The soil is good, on a shingle formation, is well watered, and 6 acres are in grass, the rest being covered with mixed forest. A drain has been cut through a portion of the section by the Public Works Department.

* Section 9 is offered for lease subject to the reservation of a right of road through it in case it should be wanted by the Crown.

TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF LEASE.

1. The lands enumerated above are first-class lands, and are 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 17th February, 1897.

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. as 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, together with the lease- and registration-fee, and the valuation 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 the 1st January, 1898.

8. No person shall apply for or 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 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, _____, of _____, 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 No. _____ Village Settlement.

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, 1892."

A. B.

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

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

Small Grazing-runs, Canterbury, for Lease on Application.

District Lands and Survey Office,
Christchurch, 23rd January, 1897.

NOTICE is hereby given that the under-mentioned small grazing-runs will be open for lease on application, at the District Lands and Survey Office, Christchurch, on and after Thursday, the 25th February, 1897, at the annual rentals noted below. In case of more than one application for a run on the same day, priority of selection will be decided by ballot on the following day, at 11 a.m.

SCHEDULE.
WAIMATE COUNTY.

Section.	Survey District.	Block.	Area.	Rate per Acre.	Annual Rental.
FIRST-CLASS PASTORAL COUNTRY.					
36117	Hakateramea	X., XI., XIV., XV.	992 0 0	1 0	49 12 0
36205	"	XII., XV., XVI.	2,840 0 0	0 9	106 10 0
36388	{ Nimrod .. Waihao ..	{ XIV., XV. II.	4,536 0 0	0 10	189 0 0
SECOND-CLASS PASTORAL COUNTRY.					
36389	Nimrod ..	XIII., XIV.	8,796 0 0	0 7	256 11 0
36390	{ Hak'teramea .. Waihao ..	{ IV. I., II.	1,887 1 0	0 7	55 1 0
36220	Nimrod ..	III.	3,815 3 8	0 7	111 6 0
36503	"	II., III., IV., VI., VII.			

Sections 36117, 36205, 36388, 36389, and 36390, in the Hakateramea, Nimrod, and Waihao Survey Districts, are situated on the slopes of the Station Peak Range, which extends from the junction of the Hakateramea and Waitaki Rivers to the north branch of the Waihao River. They comprise high, open hill-country; the ridges are generally broad and flat, and intersected by deep gullies, the slopes of which are easy and undulating in parts, and in others steep and broken. The soil varies in quality from fair to good, and the vegetation comprises native and English grasses. The country is fairly well watered by springs and streams, and its general elevation varies from about 1,000ft. to about 3,500ft. above sea-level. The two first-named sections are situated near the southern end of the range; Section 36117 has frontage on the Hakateramea Valley Road, and Section 36205 is accessible by a branch from the same road. Sections 36388, 36389, and 36390 are situated at the northern end of the range; the first-mentioned section has access by the Pentland Hills Road to Waimate, a distance of about twenty-six miles, the others connect with the Hakateramea Valley Road to the westward.

The sections are weighted with valuations for improvements as follows, these amounts being payable in full at the time of application:—

Section 36117, £299 10s. for hut, boundary and subdivision fencing, cultivation, &c. Section 36205, £309 10s., for boundary and subdivision fencing, sheep-yards, &c. Section 36388, £1,384 4s. 9d., for good dwelling-house, woolshed, stable and other outbuildings, sheep-yards and dip, boundary and subdivision fencing, cultivation, &c. Sections 36389 and 36390, £407 5s., for boundary and subdivision fencing and sheep-yards.

Sections 36220 and 36503 are situated on the eastern slopes of the Mount Nimrod Range, at the back of and adjacent to the Cannington and Pareora Estates, and comprise hilly and mountain open country, ranging from about 1,500ft. to 5,000ft. above sea-level, with bush in some of the gullies. The lower slopes include land of fair average quality, carrying good tussock, native, and some English grasses. The high portions of the range are rocky, and subject to heavy falls of snow in the winter season. The run is watered by branches of the White Rock River, and is well adapted for pastoral purposes; is connected with the Cave Railway-station by formed road, and is distant therefrom about eleven miles. This run is weighted with a sum of £552 for dwelling-house, boundary and subdivision fencing, planting, &c.

CONDITIONS OF LEASE.

1. The term of lease is twenty-one years, with the option of renewal for a further period of twenty-one years, at a rent to be fixed by valuation, and improvements being secured to lessee as provided by "The Land Act, 1892," section 182. Each lessee is required to make the declaration as per form printed below.

2. No person can lease more than one run.

3. Residence on small grazing-runs is compulsory, and commences within three years in bush or swamp land, and within one year in open or partly open land, unless the lessee obtain the consent of the Land Board to reside on other land in his occupation.

4. Permanent improvements must be effected equal to one year's rental by the end of the first year, two years' rental by the end of the second year, and four years' rental at the end of the sixth year; and on bush land, in addition thereto, improvements must be made to the value of 10s. an acre if first-class land, or of 5s. an acre if second-class land.

5. One half-year's rent, and £1 1s. for the lease, and the amount of valuation for improvements, must be paid immediately the application is declared successful; the rent to be paid half-yearly in advance during the term of the lease. The next payment of rent will become due on the 1st September, 1897.

6. The lessee has no right to purchase any part of the land; but he can select 150 acres around the homestead through which no road can be taken or other public privilege exercised without compensation.

DECLARATION.

I, _____, of* _____, 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 desirous of becoming the purchaser of a lease of Run No. †
3. That I am purchasing such lease solely for my own use and benefit, and not directly or indirectly for the use of any other person or persons whatever.
4. That I am not already the holder of any such lease in any part of the colony, nor have I any interest in any such lease.
5. That I am not the holder of any run under Part VI. of the aforesaid Act, nor have I any interest in any such run.
6. That I do not own any freehold land or land held by lease or license of any kind whatever anywhere in the colony, either by myself or jointly with any other person, which, exclusive of the land I am now purchasing the lease of, will exceed in area 1,000 acres.

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 _____, 189____, before me— _____, a Justice of the Peace in and for the Colony of New Zealand.

* Place of abode or occupation. † Here specify.

SIDNEY WEETMAN,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Small Grazing-run, Otago, open for Lease on Application.

Crown Land Office,
Dunedin, 19th January, 1897.

NOTICE is hereby given that the under-mentioned small grazing-run will be open for lease on application, at the Land Office, Dunedin, on and after Thursday, the 25th February, 1897, at the half-yearly rental noted below. If more than one application be received for the run on the same day, priority of selection will be decided by ballot on the following day, at 11 a.m.

SCHEDULE.

OTAGO LAND DISTRICT.
Small Grazing-run.

Survey District.	Section.	Block.	Area.	Rent per Acre.	Half-yearly Rental.
FIRST-CLASS PASTORAL COUNTRY.					
<i>Maniototo County.</i>					
Gimmerburn	2	V.	3,148 3 10	0 6	39 7 3
Ditto ..	{ 2 & 3 21 & 22	{ XI. III.	7,456 0 18	0 6	93 4 0

Fairly good country, partly pastoral and partly agricultural; well watered; situated about twelve miles from Naseby. Valuations for improvements, payable with application or immediately the result of the ballot is declared: Section 2, Block V., £442; Sections 2 and 3, Block XI., and 21 and 22, Block III., £1,285 19s. 6d.

Taiari County.

Strath-Taiari	3 and 9	XII.	2,302 1 16	0 4½	21 11 8
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Ridgy pastoral country, low-lying, soil poor; well watered;

situated about four miles from Middlemarch. Valuation for improvements, payable with application, or immediately the result of the ballot is declared, £868 15s.

CONDITIONS OF LEASE.

1. The term of lease is twenty-one years, with the option of renewal for a further period of twenty-one years, at a rent to be fixed by valuation, and improvements being secured to lessee as provided by "The Land Act, 1892," section 182. Each lessee is required to make the declaration as per form printed below.

2. No person can lease more than one run.

3. Residence on the run is compulsory, and commences within three years in bush or swamp land, and within one year in open or partly open land, unless the lessee obtain the consent of the Land Board to reside on other land in his occupation.

4. Permanent improvements must be effected equal to one year's rental by the end of the first year, two years' rental by the end of the second year, and four years' rental at the end of the sixth year; and on bush land, in addition thereto, improvements must be made to the value of 10s. an acre if first-class land, or of 5s. an acre if second-class land.

5. One half-year's rent and £1 1s. for the lease must be paid immediately the application is declared successful; the rent to be paid half-yearly in advance during the term of the lease. The next payment of rent will become due on the 1st September, 1897.

6. The lessee has no right to purchase any part of the land; but he can select 150 acres around the homestead through which no road can be taken or other public privilege exercised without compensation.

DECLARATION.

I, _____, of _____, 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 desirous of becoming the purchaser of a lease of Run No. _____

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

4. That I am not already the holder of any such lease in any part of the colony, nor have I any interest in any such lease.

5. That I am not the holder of any run under Part VI. of the aforesaid Act, nor have I any interest in any such run.

6. That I do not own any freehold land or land held by lease or license of any kind whatever anywhere in the colony, either by myself or jointly with any other person, which, exclusive of the land I am now purchasing the lease of, will exceed in area 1,000 acres.

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 _____, 189 _____, before me— _____, a Justice of the Peace in and for the Colony of New Zealand.

* Place of abode or occupation. † Here specify.

J. P. MAITLAND,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Pastoral Leases, Southland, for Lease by Public Auction.

District Lands and Survey Office,
Invercargill, 18th January, 1897.

NOTICE is hereby given that the under-mentioned pastoral lands will be submitted to public auction, for lease, on Thursday, the 25th February, 1897, at the District Lands and Survey Office, Invercargill, at 11 a.m.

PASTORAL LANDS (UNDER PART VI., "THE LAND ACT, 1892").

Run No. 150b, Wallace County: Area, 1,601 acres; term, fourteen years; annual upset rental, £20.

This run, at present held by Messrs. Rowley and Hamilton, is situated on the north-east end of Taringatura Range. The northern and eastern slopes are sound and fairly-grassed sheep-country, and the contiguity of the run to small settlement gives it a considerable value.

Run No. 323, Lake County: Area, 23,930 acres; term, 14 years; annual upset rental, £150.

The present lessee of this run is Mr. W. S. D. Trotter. The run is bounded by the Invercargill-Kingston Railway for several miles, and, with the exception of the northern portion, has good natural boundaries on the remaining sides. In some of the gullies there are patches of bush and scrub, and the north side is rocky, and somewhat difficult to muster, and to clear of rabbits. Altogether the land may be classed as fairly good sheep-country. A considerable area of the lower-lying land is capable of great improvement by cultivation and surface (grass-seed) sowing.

Run No. 491b, Southland County: Area, 883 acres 2 roods; term, 14 years; annual upset rental, £11.

This small run is now held along with the old Isla Station P.R., and some additional freehold, and about one-third of it is covered with scrub, the remainder being cold but well-grassed sheep-country.

Run No. 352b, Southland County: Area, 5,250 acres; term, 10 years; annual upset rental, £8 15s.

This run consists of high broken country, with poor vegetation, but well watered. Distance from Athol, about seven miles.

Run No. 394a, Southland County: Area, 21,345 acres; term, 10 years; annual upset rental, £45.

This run is situated about eight miles from Lumsden. The country is high and broken, and partly covered with scrub and bush. The height above sea-level is from 300ft. to 4,000ft.

Possession to be given on the 1st March, 1898, except in the case of Runs 352b and 394a, possession of which will be given on 1st March, 1897.

The above runs will be sold generally in accordance with the provisions of Part VI. of "The Land Act, 1892."

Purchasers must deposit a statutory declaration required by section 62 of "The Land Act, 1892," and pay the sum of the half-year's rent and license-fee on the fall of the hammer.

DAVID BARRON,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Pastoral Runs, Otago, for Lease.

Crown Lands Office,
Dunedin, 19th January, 1897.

IT is hereby notified that the under-mentioned pastoral lands will be submitted to public auction at the Crown Lands Office, Dunedin, on Thursday, the 25th day of February, 1897, at 11 a.m.

PASTORAL LANDS.

(Under Part VI. of "The Land Act, 1892.")

Sections 5 to 9, and 11 to 15, Block VII., Tuapeka East District (Class I.), Tuapeka County: Area, 2,644 acres 1 rood; term, fourteen years; upset annual rental, £50. Situated between Bungtown Creek and the Waitahuna River, about six miles west of Lawrence. Highest point, 1,340ft. Present licensee, John Sutherland.

Section 16, Block X., Teviot District (Class I.), Tuapeka County: Area, 462 acres 1 rood 29 perches; term, ten years; upset annual rental, £3. Situated two miles west of Roxburgh. Highest point, 3,149ft. Present licensee, Matthew Elliott.

Run No. 446 (Class II.), Clutha County: Area, 2,500 acres; term, seven years; upset annual rental, £30. Situated in the valley of the Tahakopa River, about ten miles north-east of Waikawa. Altitude, 700ft. Present licensee, Murdoch McLellan.

Section 5, Block VIII., Teviot District (Class I.), Tuapeka County: Area, 181 acres 2 roods 6 perches; term, seven years; upset annual rental, £4 11s. Situated on the west bank of the Clutha River, about ten miles north of Roxburgh. Altitude, about 1,200ft. Present licensee, James Elliott.

Section 10, Block VIII., Teviot District (Class I.), Tuapeka County: Area, 221 acres and 38 perches; term, seven years; upset annual rental, £5 10s. 6d. Situated on the west bank of the Clutha River, about eight miles north of Roxburgh. Altitude, about 1,200ft. Present licensee, William McLoughlin.

Sections 1 and 18 to 20, Block IV., Crookston District (Class I.), Tuapeka County: Area, 212 acres 2 roods 17 perches; term, seven years; upset annual rental, £2. Situated about one mile and a half north-west of Bastings. Altitude, about 1,000ft. Present licensee, James Mackay.

Sections 35 to 38, Block IV., Crookston District (Class I.), Tuapeka County: Area, 206 acres 2 roods 25 perches; term, seven years; upset annual rental, £2. Situated half a mile west of Bastings. Altitude, about 1,000ft. Present licensee, James Bennett.

Possession will be given on 1st March, 1898.

Valuations for improvements in respect of the above runs must be paid to the Receiver of Land Revenue, Dunedin, before the licensee will be let into possession.

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 expired or expiring license, during the term thereof, and five times such amount in cases where the annual rental does not exceed £50.

The above runs will be sold generally in accordance with the provisions of Part VI. of "The Land Act, 1892."

Purchasers must deposit statutory declarations required by section 62 of "The Land Act, 1892," and pay the first half-year's rent, together with license-fee (£1 1s.), on fall of the hammer.

J. P. MAITLAND,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Small Grazing-runs, Otago, open for Lease on Application.

District Land Office,
Dunedin, 8th December, 1896.

NOTICE is hereby given that the under-mentioned small grazing-runs will be open for lease on application, at the Land Office, Dunedin, on and after Wednesday, the 10th February, 1897, at the half-yearly rental noted below. If more than one application be received for the same run on the same day, priority of selection will be decided by ballot on the following day, at 11 a.m.

SCHEDULE.

OTAGO LAND DISTRICT.

Small Grazing-runs.

Survey District.	Section.	Block.	Area.	Rent per Acre.	Half-yearly Rental.
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FIRST-CLASS PASTORAL COUNTRY.

Tuapeka County.

		A.	R. P.	s. d.	£ s. d.
Benger	7, 10, and 11	XIII.	809	3 16	0 7 11 16 3

Good land, fairly well watered; situated about ten miles from Miller's Flat Post-office. About 120 acres have been cultivated, and the remainder is in tussock. Valuation for improvements, to be lodged with application or paid immediately the result of the ballot is declared, £285 5s. Valuation is also to be allowed for 14 acres of oat-crop at present on the run. The crop to be valued fourteen days prior to date of sale. Possession 1st March, 1897.

Waitaki County.

Maerewhen'a	Run 17D	..	711	3 0	0 6 06 9 0 0
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One of the subdivisions of Run 17 (portion of the Otekaieke Station). This run consists of light pastoral land, well watered, and sloping toward the Maerewhenua River. Distance from Livingstone by road, seven miles. Altitude averages 2,400ft. Valuation for improvements, payable with application or immediately the result of the ballot is declared, £93. Possession on day of sale.

Maerewhen'a	1	XVI.	398	1 9	0 10 8 5 10
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Partly grazing and partly agricultural land; soil fair; well watered; situated about one mile from the Town of Livingstone. Valuation for improvements, payable with application or immediately the result of the ballot is declared, £205 9s. Possession 1st March, 1897.

Vincent County.

Tiger Hill	220E, 220F	..	3,903	0 0	0 3 24 7 10
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Undulating to broken pastoral country, situated about eight miles from Alexandra and adjoining the Galloway Station. Valuation for improvements, payable with application or immediately the result of the ballot is declared, £260. Possession 1st March, 1897.

Waitaki County.

Domet	1	XI.	865	0 0	0 8 14 8 4
Maerewhen'a	5	XVI.			

One of the subdivisions of Tapui and Tokarahi Stations. This run contains good grazing-land, several portions of which are fit for cultivation; well watered; situated from five to six miles from Livingstone. Valuation for improvements, payable with application or immediately the result of the ballot is declared, £376 14s. 6d. Possession, 1st March, 1897.

SECOND-CLASS PASTORAL COUNTRY.

Waitaki County.

Kurow	3 of 23, 4 of 23	..	9,400	0 0	0 2 39 3 4
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Hilly pastoral land of fair quality; well watered; situated about eight miles from Kurow Township. Valuation for improvements, payable with application or immediately the result of the ballot is declared, £624 3s. Possession 1st March, 1897.

Vincent County.

Tiger Hill	220	..	7,323	0 0	0 2 30 10 3
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Survey District.	Section.	Block.	Area.	Rent per Acre.	Half-yearly Rental.
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Subdivisions of Pastoral Runs 220B and 220C, part of Galloway Station. Undulating to broken country, containing good pastoral land. The run has frontage to the main Alexandra-Ida Valley Road; it fronts the Manuherikia River, and is traversed by the proposed Otago Central Railway. Its distance from Alexandra is about eight miles. Valuation for improvements, payable with application or immediately the result of the ballot is declared, £217 7s. Possession 1st March, 1897.

Waitaki County.

		A.	R. P.	s. d.	£ s. d.
Kakanui	2	II.	10,376	0 0	0 2 43 4 8
"	1	III.			
"	3	"			
"	1	VII.			
"	2	VIII.			
Kyeburn	2	XIV.			

With the exception of 2,000 acres on the south-west end, this run is well grassed throughout, and is watered by a number of small streams; the north-east portion contains some arable land. Distance from Livingstone by formed road, four miles, and from Tokarahi Railway-station, ten miles. The average altitude of this country is 2,600ft. Valuation for improvements, payable with application or immediately the result of the ballot is declared, £544 12s.

CONDITIONS OF LEASE.

1. The term of lease is twenty-one years, with the option of renewal for a further period of twenty-one years, at a rent to be fixed by valuation, and improvements being secured to lessee as provided by "The Land Act, 1892," section 182. Each lessee is required to make the declaration as per form printed below.

2. No person can lease more than one run.
3. Residence on the run is compulsory, and commences within three years in bush or swamp land, and within one year in open or partly open land, unless the lessee obtain the consent of the Land Board to reside on other land in his occupation.

4. Permanent improvements must be effected equal to one year's rental by the end of the first year, two years' rental by the end of the second year, and four years' rental at the end of the sixth year; and on bush land, in addition thereto, improvements must be made to the value of 10s. an acre if first-class land, or of 5s. an acre if second-class land.

5. One half-year's rent and £1 1s. for the lease must be paid immediately the application is declared successful; the rent to be paid half-yearly in advance during the term of the lease. The next payment of rent will become due on the 1st September, 1897.

6. The lessee has no right to purchase any part of the land; but he can select 150 acres around the homestead through which no road can be taken or other public privilege exercised without compensation.

DECLARATION.

- I, _____, of * _____, do solemnly and sincerely declare—
- That I am of the age of seventeen years and upwards.
 - That I am the person who, subject to the provisions of "The Land Act, 1892," am desirous of becoming the purchaser of a lease of Run No. †
 - That I am purchasing such lease solely for my own use and benefit, and not directly or indirectly for the use of any other person or persons whatever.
 - That I am not already the holder of any such lease in any part of the colony, nor have I any interest in any such lease.
 - That I am not the holder of any run under Part VI. of the aforesaid Act, nor have I any interest in any such run.
 - That I do not own any freehold land or land held by lease or license of any kind whatever anywhere in the colony, either by myself or jointly with any other person, which, exclusive of the land I am now purchasing the lease of, will exceed in area 1,000 acres.

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 _____, 189 _____, before me— _____, a Justice of the Peace in and for the Colony of New Zealand.

* Place of abode or occupation. † Here specify.

J. P. MAITLAND,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Village-homestead Allotments, Southland, open for Lease upon Application.

District Lands and Survey Office,
Invercargill, 8th December, 1896.

THE under-mentioned Crown lands will be open for selection on lease in perpetuity at the District Lands and Survey Office, Invercargill, on Thursday, 11th 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 the following day, at 11 a.m., at the District Lands and Survey Office, Invercargill.

SCHEDULE.

SOUTHLAND LAND DISTRICT.
Village-homestead Allotments.

Locality.	Section.	Block.	Area.	Lease in Perpetuity: Rent, 4 per Cent.	
				Rent per Acre.	Half- yearly Rent.

FIRST-CLASS LAND.

Southland County.

			A.	R.	P.	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Seaward Bush Township	34	III.	5	0	0	4	0	0	10	0
	35	"	5	0	0	4	0	0	10	0

Bush land, nearly level, low-lying in places; capable of yielding good crops when cleared, and good grass even when surface-sown. Distance, one mile from Clifton Railway-station. Limit of holdings in this village, 10 acres.

Wallace County.

Longwood District	8	VII.	31	0	24	1	7	2	1	5	0
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Bush land, adjacent to Wakapatu Railway-station, on the Riverton-Orepuki line; land is of fair quality. Limit of holdings in this village, 50 acres.

Southland County.

Hokonui (Centre Bush Village)	728	..	28	3	26	1	2	4	0	17	4
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Bush land, flat, soil fair. It is situated about one mile and a half from Centre Bush Railway-station, on the Invercargill-Kingston line. Limit of holdings in this village, one section.

Invercargill Hundred (Loanend Village)	74	VIII.	18	3	3	2	0	0	18	9
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Open flat land, fair soil. Distance from Woodlands, about three miles. Limit of holdings in this village, 20 acres.

Invercargill Hundred (Ackers Village)	114	XX.	15	3	1	2	1	0	16	7
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Ditto ..	115	"	15	3	1	2	1	0	16	7
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Ackers Village is situated in Otatara Bush, some seven miles from Invercargill by road; land flat and of fair quality, covered with mixed bush; tapped for most part by gravelled road. Limit of holdings in this village, 50 acres.

TERMS AND CONDITIONS.

1. The lands enumerated hereon are first-class lands, and are 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 Thursday, the 11th February, 1897.

3. The rental stated hereon 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, Invercargill; 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 prescribed in Schedule C to the said Act.

6. Each applicant shall pay the first half-year's rent, together with the lease- and registration-fee, 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.

8. Improvements and residence on the land comprised in each lease shall 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 apply accordingly to lessees under these regulations.

9. 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.

10. No lessee shall hold more than the limit stated above, including that already held, and all allotments shall be held for his or her 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.

11. 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.

DAVID BARRON,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Rural Land in the County of Ashburton for Sale by Public Auction for Cash.

District Lands and Survey Office,
Christchurch, 4th January, 1897.

NOTICE is hereby given that the under-mentioned rural land will be offered for sale by public auction, at the District Lands and Survey Office, Christchurch, on Wednesday, the 14th April, 1897, at noon.

SCHEDULE.

WESTERFIELD SURVEY DISTRICT.—COUNTY OF ASHBURTON.

Section.	Block.	Area.	Cash Price.	
			Per Acre.	Total Price.
Reserve 1124	II., III.	A. R. P. 246 3 4	£ s. d. 4 10 0	£ s. d. 1,110 9 9

Locality and Description of Land.—The reserve is situated between the north and south branches of the Ashburton River, about seven miles from the Westerfield Railway-station, and comprises land of varying quality, part being low-lying, sandy, and shingly, chiefly adapted for grazing, and part good arable terrace land.

The land is subject to a grant of easement through it to the Ashburton County, as set forth in certificate of title, Vol. xv., folio 162.

Terms of Sale.—One-fifth of the purchase-money to be paid on the fall of the hammer, and the balance, with Crown-grant fee, within thirty days thereafter; otherwise the part of the purchase-money paid by way of deposit shall be forfeited, and the contract for the sale of the land be null and void. Possession will be given on the 1st May, 1897, and the transfer of the title shall be at the cost of the purchaser.

Full particulars may be ascertained and plans obtained at this office.

SIDNEY WEETMAN,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Land in the Township of Waimate to be sold by Auction for Cash.

District Lands and Survey Office,
Christchurch, 4th January, 1897.

NOTICE is hereby given, in accordance with the provisions of "The Waimate Public Reserve Sale Act, 1889," and "The Land Act, 1892," that the under-mentioned town sections will be submitted to public auction, for sale for cash, at the District Land Office, Timaru, on Wednesday, the 7th April, 1897, at noon.

SCHEDULE.
TOWNSHIP OF WAIMATE.
Formerly Reserve No. 391.

Section No.	Area.	Upset Price.
	A. R. P.	£ s. d.
134	0 1 0	7 10 0
135	0 0 39	7 10 0

TERMS OF SALE.

One-fifth of the purchase-money to be paid on the fall of the hammer, and the balance, with Crown-grant fee, within thirty days thereafter; otherwise the part of the purchase-money paid by way of deposit shall be forfeited, and the contract for the sale of the land be null and void. There are no restrictions or limitations imposed on purchasers of these sections.

Full particulars may be ascertained and plans obtained at this office.

SIDNEY WEETMAN,
Commissioner of Crown Lands

Land in Villages of Tongaporutu and Purangi, Taranaki, for Sale by Public Auction.

District Lands and Survey Office,
New Plymouth, 4th January, 1897.

NOTICE is hereby given that the under-mentioned village lands will be offered for sale by public auction at the District Lands and Survey Office, New Plymouth, on Wednesday, the 24th February, 1897, at noon.

SCHEDULE.
VILLAGE OF TONGAPORUTU.

Section No.	Area.	Upset Price.	Section No.	Area.	Upset Price.
	A. R. P.	£ s. d.		A. R. P.	£ s. d.
9	10 1 20	57 1 3	19*	1 0 0	7 0 0
10	11 1 0	56 5 0	20	1 0 0	6 10 0
11	1 0 0	6 0 0	21	5 2 0	33 0 0
12	1 0 0	6 0 0	22	12 3 0	63 15 0
13	1 0 0	6 10 0	26	1 0 0	7 10 0
14	1 0 0	7 0 0	28	1 0 0	6 10 0
15	1 0 0	7 0 0	29	1 0 0	6 10 0
16	1 0 0	7 0 0	30	1 2 31	8 16 4
17	1 0 0	7 0 0			

* Weighted with £180 valuation for improvements.

This village is situate on the northern side of the Tongaporutu River, at the mouth. The smaller sections are mostly flat, on a high terrace above the river, with good sunny position and sandy soil. The larger sections comprise light sandy soil, with sandhills on the seaward side. A small quantity of scrub may be found on the sections, principally akeake and rewarewa. There is some light bush on Sections 28, 29, and 30. The distance from Mokau to the village is seven miles and a half.

VILLAGE OF PURANGI.
Village Sections.

1	0 1 0	15 0 0	10	0 1 0	7 10 0
2	0 0 39	7 10 0	11	0 1 0	7 10 0
3	0 1 0	7 10 0	14	0 2 30	10 0 0
4	0 1 0	7 10 0	15	0 2 0	10 0 0
5	0 1 0	7 10 0	17	0 3 22	10 0 0
6	0 1 0	10 0 0	18	0 3 31	5 0 0
7	0 1 8	10 0 0	19	0 3 39	6 0 0
8	0 2 14	12 0 0	20	1 0 0	7 10 0
9	0 1 0	10 0 0	21	1 0 0	7 10 0

This village lies about twenty-two miles to the east of Inglewood, on the Junction Road, which connects about eight miles farther on with the main road from Stratford to Ongarue. The sections comprise rich alluvial soil, and entirely flat, open land.

Suburban Sections.

31	5 0 0	25 0 0	38	5 3 10	23 5 0
32	4 3 30	24 13 9	41	2 3 39	14 19 5
35	6 0 20	24 10 0	42	7 3 30	39 13 9
36	5 3 10	29 1 3	43	12 1 0	49 0 0
37	4 3 0	23 15 0	45	15 0 0	60 0 0

These sections comprise small river-flats of rich alluvial deposit from the papa country through which the Waitara River runs, with easy and sunny slopes. There is a little scrub and light bush on some of the sections.

Terms of Sale.—One-fifth of the purchase-money to be paid on the fall of the hammer, together with valuation for improvements; the balance, together with £1 Crown-grant fee, within thirty days thereafter, otherwise the part of the purchase-money paid by way of deposit shall be absolutely forfeited, and the contract for the sale of the land be null and void. Full particulars may be ascertained and plans obtained at this office.

JOHN STRAUCHON,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Pastoral Runs, Canterbury, to be offered for Lease by Public Auction.

District Lands and Survey Office,
Christchurch, 4th January, 1897.

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, 10th February, 1897.

SCHEDULE.

CANTERBURY LAND DISTRICT.—MACKENZIE COUNTY.—HALDON AND GRAY'S HILLS STATIONS.

First-class Pastoral Country.

Run No. 69, part of Haldon Station, Mackenzie County: About 19,025 acres; term of lease, fourteen years fixed tenure from the 1st March, 1897; upset annual rental, £350 for the first four years, and £400 per annum for the remainder of the term.

Run No. 71, Gray's Hills Station, Mackenzie County: About 29,862 acres; term of lease, fourteen years fixed tenure from the 1st March, 1897; upset annual rental, £350 for the first four years, and £450 per annum for the remainder of the term.

Possession of these runs will be given to the purchasers of the licenses on the 1st March, 1897.

The leases will be sold subject to the general provisions relating to pastoral leases of "The Canterbury Educational Reserves Sale and Leasing Act, 1876," and "The Land Act, 1892," and any Acts amending the same. The leases—all costs whereof shall be borne by the purchasers—will be from the Canterbury College. The lease shall be subject to the right of the Canterbury College or the Crown to dispose of the freehold of the whole of the runs or any part thereof by way of sale. Provision is made in the memorandum of lease to meet this contingency. The rent will be payable half-yearly, on the 1st days of March and September in each year, six months' rent being paid on the fall of the hammer.

Plans and full particulars as to terms of lease may be obtained at the District Lands and Survey Office, Christchurch, or from the Registrar of Canterbury College.

SIDNEY WEETMAN,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Pastoral Runs, Otago, for Lease.

Crown Lands Office,
Dunedin, 19th January, 1897.

NOTICE is hereby given that the under-mentioned pastoral lands will be submitted to public auction, at the Crown Lands Office, Dunedin, on Thursday, the 25th day of February, 1897.

PASTORAL LANDS.

(Under Part VI. of "The Land Act, 1892.")

Run 335A, Vincent County: Area, 16,450 acres; term, 21 years; upset annual rental, £5.

Run 233, Vincent and Waitaki Counties: Area, 44,200 acres; term, 21 years; upset annual rental, £20.

Run 429A, Waitaki County: Area, 5,790 acres; term, 21 years; upset annual rental, £5.

These runs, which are bounded on the south by Morven Hills and Omarama Stations, and on the east by the Ahuriri River, form part of the Longslip Station, and lie about fifty miles distant from Kurov Station.

Run 362B, Waitaki County: Area, 29,700 acres; term, 21 years; upset annual rental, £20; valuation for improvements, £100. Situated ten miles from Naseby, near the head of Otamatatau River, and is watered by its branches. Altitude, 3,000ft. to 5,000ft.

Run 1, Tuapeka County: Area, 2,758 acres; term, 14 years; upset annual rental, £10; valuation for improvements, £10. This run is well watered, and lies at the head of the Tuapeka River.

Run 206b (Class I.), Maniototo County: Area, 3,940 acres; term, 21 years; upset annual rental, £5. This run is situated between the Kyeburn Hundred and the summit of the Kakanui Range, with outlet by tracks to Kyeburn and Naseby. Altitude, 2,000ft. to 5,000ft.

Run 39, Lake County: Area, 340 acres; term, 12 years; upset annual rental, £4; valuation for improvements, £28. Pastoral land adjoining the Town of Arrowtown.

Sections 8 and 9, Block II., 1 to 6, Block VIII., Beaumont District; and 74a and 75, Block III., Tuapeka West District (grouped), (Class II.), Tuapeka County: Area, 3,796 acres; term, 10 years; upset annual rental, £45. Situated five miles north-west of Lawrence, on the west bank of the Tuapeka River, and intersected by Bowler's Creek. Altitude, 400ft. to 1,300ft.

Possession will be given on day of sale of Runs 335a, 233, 429a, 362b, 1206d, and 39; possession of Sections 8 and 9, Block II., 1 to 6, Block VIII., Beaumont District, and 74a and 75, Block III., Tuapeka West District, will be given on 1st March, 1897. The above runs will be sold generally in accordance with the provisions of Part VI. of "The Land Act, 1892."

Purchasers must deposit statutory declarations required by section 62 of "The Land Act, 1892," and pay the first half-year's rent and license-fee on the fall of the hammer.

J. P. MAITLAND,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Pastoral Runs, Otago, for Lease.

Crown Lands Office,
Dunedin, 4th January, 1897.

IT is hereby notified that the under-mentioned pastoral runs will be submitted to public auction at the Crown Lands Office, Dunedin, on Thursday, the 25th day of February, 1897:—

PASTORAL LANDS.

(Under Part VI. of "The Land Act, 1892.")

Run 186, Tuapeka and Taieri Counties: Area, 25,880 acres; term, ten years; upset annual rental, £250; valuation for improvements, £1,107 13s. The southern part of this run lies about one mile from Waipori Town, and extends north to the Lee and Deep Streams. Highest point, 2,400ft. Present licensee, Mr. George Nichol. Possession, 1st March, 1897.

Runs 243a and 243b (grouped), Waitaki County: Area, 49,610 acres; term, fourteen years; upset annual rental, £250; valuation for improvements, £764 10s. This country extends southwards from the Waitaki River, and is watered by the Otematata River. It lies within fourteen miles from Kurow. Altitude, 2,900ft. to 4,900ft. Present licensee, Mr. Hugh Cameron. Possession, 1st March, 1897.

Sections 3, Block VIII., and 1, Block IX., Waihemo District, Waihemo County: Area, 988 acres 1 rood 11 perches; term, fourteen years; upset annual rental, £20; valuation for improvements, £88 1s. This run is situated at the head of Coal Creek, Waihemo. Altitude, 1,000ft. to 3,000ft. Present licensee, Mr. John Matheson. Possession, 1st March, 1897.

Runs 3, 4, and 6, Tuapeka County: Area, 7,507 acres; term, fourteen years; upset annual rental, £61; valuation for improvements, £49 10s. Situated between Waipori and Tuapeka Rivers, about six miles north of Lawrence. Highest point, 2,400ft. Present licensee, Mr. George Matheson. Possession, 1st March, 1897.

Run 2, Tuapeka County: Area, 3,700 acres; term, fourteen years; upset annual rental, £46. Situated on the Waipori River, about nine miles north of Lawrence. Highest point, 2,900ft. Last licensee, Mr. Samuel Henry. Possession on day of sale.

Run 353c, Tuapeka and Maniototo Counties: Area, 8,600 acres; term, fourteen years; upset annual rental, £35. Situated immediately north of Run No. 2, and extends across the Lammerlaw Ranges to the head-waters of the Taieri River. Highest point, 3,700ft. Last licensee, Mr. Samuel Henry. Possession on day of sale.

Section 70, Block IV., Table Hill District, Bruce County: Area, 173 acres 2 roods 29 perches; term, ten years; upset annual rental, £4 7s.; valuation for improvements, £48 19s. Situated about two miles from Manuka Railway-station, on the Lawrence Branch Railway. Present licensee, Mr. George Milne. Possession, 1st March, 1897.

Run 134a, and Section 2, Block IV., Kakanui District, Waitaki County (grouped): Area, 24,500 acres; term, fourteen years; upset annual rental, £220; valuation for improvements, £162 4s. Run 134a is situated between the north and south branches of the Kakanui River, and extends back to the summit of the Kakanui Range. Section 2 adjoins the run on the north, and lies about six miles from Tapui Railway-

station. Present licensees—Run 134a, the New Zealand and Australian Land Company; section 2, John Chesney. Possession, 1st March, 1897.

The above runs will be sold generally in accordance with the provisions of Part VI. of "The Land Act, 1892."

Purchasers must deposit a statutory declaration as required by section 62 of "The Land Act, 1892," and pay the sum of the half-year's rent, license-fee, and valuation for improvements on fall of the hammer.

J. P. MAITLAND,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Pastoral Runs, Otago, for Lease.

Crown Lands Office,
Dunedin, 19th January, 1897.

IT is hereby notified that the under-mentioned pastoral lands will be submitted to public auction at the Crown Lands Office, Dunedin, on Thursday, the 25th day of February, 1897.

PASTORAL LANDS.

(Under Part VI. of "The Land Act, 1892.")

Run 334c, Lake County: Area, 14,030 acres; term, fourteen years; upset annual rental, £25; valuation for improvements, £268 1s. 6d.

Run 334b, Lake County: Area, 6,662 acres; term, fourteen years; upset annual rental, £12 10s.; valuation for improvements, £109 18s.

Run 334, Lake County: Area, 7,308 acres; term, fourteen years; upset annual rental, £10; valuation for improvements, £254 14s. 9d.

Run 240a, Lake and Vincent Counties: Area, 14,315 acres; term, fourteen years; upset annual rental, £40; valuation for improvements, £141 8s. 6d.

Run 334a, Lake County: Area, 22,078 acres; term, fourteen years; upset annual rental, £30; valuation for improvements, £365 13s. 6d.

Run 340b, Lake County: Area, 13,720 acres; term, fourteen years; upset annual rental, £30; valuation for improvements, £337 8s. 6d.

Run 334b, Lake County: Area, 42,913 acres; term, fourteen years; upset annual rental, £10; valuation for improvements, £554 19s. 6d.

The foregoing runs comprise the Wanaka Station, and extend south-west from the southern shores of Lake Wanaka to the watershed. Altitude, from 700ft. to 7,000ft. Present licensees, Messrs. R. M. and C. A. Turnbull.

Sections 1 and 2, Block III., Cairnhill District, Vincent County: Area, 5,216 acres and 11 perches; term, fourteen years; upset annual rental, £50; valuation for improvements, £22 10s. Pastoral land, extending from the main road to the west bank of the Clutha River to the summit of the Old Man Range. Situated about eleven miles north of Roxburgh. Last licensee, Matthew Elliott.

Possession will be given on the 1st March, 1897.

The above runs will be sold generally in accordance with the provisions of Part VI. of "The Land Act, 1892."

Purchasers must deposit statutory declarations required by section 62 of "The Land Act, 1892," and pay the first half-year's rent, together with license-fee and valuation for improvements, on fall of the hammer.

J. P. MAITLAND,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Kauri and Totara Timber, Auckland, for Sale.

Lands and Survey Office,
Auckland, 4th January, 1897.

IT is hereby notified that the under-mentioned kauri and totara timber, situated on the Waitaroto Block, in Blocks I. and II., Omapere Survey District, Bay of Islands County, about seven miles from Okaihau, will be submitted for sale by public auction, at this office, on the 19th February, 1897, at 11 o'clock a.m.:

Lot 1: 361 kauri-trees, containing about 1,219,000 superficial feet; and 117 totara-trees, containing about 107,000ft. Upset price, £663.

Lot 2: 164 kauri-trees, containing about 356,000 superficial feet. Upset price, £178.

Conditions of Sale.—One-half of the purchase-money to be paid in cash or marked cheque upon the fall of the hammer, the balance within twelve months thereafter.

Timber to be removed within three years from date of sale.

GERHARD MUELLER,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Native Land Court Notices.

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

Native Land Court Office, Auckland, 21st January, 1897.
 NOTICE is hereby given that a sitting of the Native Land Court will be held at Tapuaeharuru, Taupo, on the 12th day of February, 1897, to rehear and determine the matter set forth in the Schedule hereto.

JAS. W. BROWNE, Registrar.

[Auckland, 97-5.]

SCHEDULE.

No.	Name of Land.	Decision in respect of which Rehearing has been granted.
1	Waihi No. 1 (Waihi-kahakaharua No. 1)	Decision, dated the 24th day of September, 1887, declaring the Native owners.

"The Native Land Court Act, 1894."

Native Land Court Office, Auckland, 21st January, 1897.
 NOTICE is hereby given that a sitting of the Native Appellate Court will be held at Tapuaeharuru, Taupo, on the 12th day of February, 1897, to hear and determine the several appeals against decisions of the Native Land Court set forth in the Schedule hereto. All persons interested are hereby notified to attend at the time and place aforesaid.

JAS. W. BROWNE, Registrar.

[Auckland, 97-6.]

SCHEDULE.

No.	Name of Applicant.	Name of Land.	Decision in respect of which Appeal is made.
1	Karangī Tamaki and Wiari Ngatai (94-334, C.J.O. 94-23, Rhg. 3/130)	Pouakani B No. 6, and Pouakani B No. 9	Decision, dated the 19th day of January, 1894, appointing successor to Te Roera Herua.
2	Wetini te Rangiapohia (Rhg. 3/132)	Runanga (Runanga No. 1B)	Decision, dated the 12th day of February, 1894, appointing successor to Kapui Pakurere.
3	Para Hinepuororangi (C.J.O. 94-49, 20-3, Rhg. 3/133)	Runanga No. 2 (Runanga No. 1B)	Decision, dated the 12th day of February, 1894, appointing successor to Kapui Pakurere.
4	Kataraina Pohoiiti (154- , Rhg. 3/133)	Ngapuna, Papakai No. 1, Papakai No. 2, Rangipo North No. 1, Rangipo North No. 2, Rangipo North No. 4, Rangipo North No. 5, Rangipo North No. 7, Kaimanawa No. 2 (2B), Kaimanawa No. 3B, and Tongariro No. 1c	Decisions, dated the 23rd day of January, 1894, appointing successors to Hataraka te Whetu.
5	Hira Rangimatini, Whakarato Hira, Ripaka Ihaia, Kapekape te Hika, Mererihī Hohepa, Hohepa Ihaia, Akara Ngahue, Aranga Ngahue, Timi Popoki, Te Popoki te Kurupae, Mereana Popoki, Paki Iaki, Eru Poihipi, and Kapuaiwaho Haira (C.J.O. 94-42, 117-1, Rhg. 3/133)	Tauri	Decision, dated the 15th day of February, 1894, partitioning the said land.
6	Poihipi te Kume, Hemi Kupa, Kapekape te Hika, Te Popoki, Te Kurupae, Timi Hapeta, Timi Popoki, Ihia te Hina, Rauoriwa Watene (C.J.O. 94-41, 84-1, 2, Rhg. 3/134)	Rangatira No. 8A	Decision, dated the 7th day of March, 1894, defining the relative interests of the owners of the said land.
7	Hohepa Poia (133-47, A. 1/18) ..	Pohokura No. 4G	Decision, dated the 30th day of September, 1895, appointing successors to Rihara Maka.
8	Tamati Tangihia (133-48, A. 1/18)	Pohokura	Decision, dated the 30th day of September, 1895, appointing successors to Rihara Maka.
9	Mere Meihana (133-50, A. 1/20) ..	Pohokura No. 6	Decision, dated the 22nd day of October, 1895, partitioning the said land.
10	Harehare Aterea, Rota te Hemopo Harehare, Karatia te Aki, Hahona te Okoro, Te Kahukiwa te Okoro, and Heni te Puhī (133-49, A. 1/20)	Pohokura	Decision, dated the 22nd day of October, 1895, partitioning the said land.
11	Wi Pikai, Mere Meihana, Wiripo te Hana, Witerina Kahupouamu and Peraniko Ngarimu (133-51, A. 1/20)	Pohokura No. 4	Decision, dated the 22nd day of October, 1895, partitioning the said land.

Application for Letters of Administration with Will annexed.

Native Land Court Office, Auckland, 18th January, 1897.
 In the matter of the will of HIRINI TE KAUPHATA, of Waimimiti, near Waimate North, deceased.
 APPLICATION having been made by Hirini Katene that letters of administration with the aforesaid will annexed be granted:

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.

JAS. W. BROWNE, Registrar.

"The Native Land Court Act, 1894."

Registrar's Office, Wellington, 26th January, 1897.
 NOTICE is hereby given that a sitting of the Native Land Court will be held at Palmerston North on the 19th day of February, 1897, to hear and determine the several matters mentioned in the Schedule hereunder written, in respect of which applications have been received by the Registrar, and all such other matters as may be lawfully brought before it.

EDWARD BUCKLE, Registrar.

[Wellington, 97-12.]

SCHEDULE.

APPLICATIONS FOR CONFIRMATION OF ALIENATIONS.

No.	Nature of Alienation.	Date.	Name of Land.	Names of Parties.
1	Lease (94-179)	16th April, 1894 ..	Horowhenua 3c No. 1	Ngariki te Raorao and others to John Roderick McDonald.
2	Agreement to mortgage (95-147)	14th July, 1894 ..	Aorangi No. 1, Section 3B	Hara Tauranga to Ellen Walker.
3	Conveyance (95-238) ..	13th December, 1894	Aorangi No. 1, Section 2B	Hara Tauranga and others to Joseph Saunders.
4	Transfer (95-323)	12th September, 1895	Taonui - Ahuaturanga 6E ³ , No. 2	Wai Rangitahua and others to Edward Joshua Riddiford.
5	Mortgage (96-362)	11th July, 1896 ..	Taonui - Ahuaturanga No. 2, Section 2A, part of	Mereaina Kereama to the Trustees of the Orient Lodge, No. 42, Independent Order of Oddfellows.
6	Lease (96-363)	14th March, 1896 ..	Tuwahakatupua No. 2D	Eparaima Mahauariki and others to Hugh Akers.
7	Transfer (96-402)	26th August, 1896 ..	Manawatu - Kukutauaki No. 2D, Section 7, part of	Rangiwhakaoma Mira to Poanaki te Momo.

"The Native Land Court Act, 1894."

Registrar's Office, Wellington, 25th January, 1897.
 NOTICE is hereby given that the several matters mentioned in the Schedule hereunder written will be heard by the Native Land Court sitting at Dannevirke on the 10th day of February, 1897, or as soon thereafter as the business of the Court will allow.

EDWARD BUCKLE, Registrar.

[Wellington, 97-13.]

SCHEDULE.

APPLICATION FOR PARTITION.

No.	Name of Applicant.	Name of Land.
882	Rora Wirihana	Kaitoki.

APPLICATION UNDER SUBSECTION (3) OF SECTION 14 OF "THE NATIVE LAND COURT ACT, 1894," FOR EXCHANGE OF LANDS.

No.	Names of Applicants.	Names of Lands about to be exchanged.
883	{ Matetahuna Tiopira and Hoeroa Tiopira	Omahu No. 2 (part of), and Awarua No. 4c No. 10 (part of).

APPLICATION FOR REMOVAL OF RESTRICTIONS.

No.	Name of Applicant.	Name of Land.
884	Horima Paerau	Awarua No. 2c No. 13E.

"The Native Land Court Act, 1894."

Registrar's Office, Wellington, 25th January, 1897.
 NOTICE is hereby given that a sitting of the Native Land Court will be held at Wellington on the 18th day of February, 1897, to hear and determine the several matters mentioned in the Schedule hereunder written, in respect of which applications have been received by the Registrar, and all such other matters as may be lawfully brought before it.

EDWARD BUCKLE, Registrar.

[Wellington, 97-14.]

SCHEDULE.

APPLICATIONS FOR CONFIRMATION OF ALIENATIONS.

No.	Nature of Alienation.	Date.	Name of Land.	Names of Parties.
1	Lease (96-483)	1st August, 1896	Himatangi No. 5 ..	Wi Ngawhena and others to James Barber and others.
2	Lease (96-484)	27th September, 1895	Himatangi No. 3 ..	Hera Tuhangahanga and others to James Barber and others.
3	Lease (96-485)	1st August, 1896	Himatangi No. 4 ..	Renata Ropiha and others to James Barber and others.
4	Lease (96-486)	1st August, 1896	Himatangi No. 2 ..	Meretini Hawea Kareanui and others to James Barber and others.
5	Lease (96-487)	1st August, 1896	Himatangi No. 1 ..	Raimapaha Kipa and others to James Barber and others.

APPLICATION under Section 39 of "The Native Land Court Act, 1894," to have the Name of Mu Taohua, deceased, inserted in the List of Beneficiaries for the New Zealand Company's Tenths, Wellington.

No.	Name of Applicant.	Name of Land.	Name of Deceased.
10	Hoani Kitakita	New Zealand Company's Tenths (Wellington)	Mu Taohua.

Native Land Court Agent licensed.

[In continuation of notice dated 12th January, 1897, published in *New Zealand Gazette*, No. 4, of 14th *idem*, page 112.]

IN THE NATIVE LAND COURT,
NEW ZEALAND.

NOTICE is hereby given that a license has been issued to the under-mentioned person authorising him to appear as Agent in the Native Land Court for the year ending the 31st day of December, 1897, subject to the provisions of section 20 of "The Native Land Court Act, 1894," viz. :—

A. R. MACFARLANE.

Dated at Wellington, this 26th day of January, 1897.

EDWARD BUCKLE,
Deputy Registrar.

Application to the Validation Court under "The Native Land (Validation of Titles) Act, 1893."

No. 75.

IN THE VALIDATION COURT,
GISBORNE.

In the application of the Honourable James Carroll and Wiremu Pere, both of Gisborne, in the Provincial District of Auckland, for validation of interests claimed by them in the Rangitira Block, situate in the Native Land Court District of Gisborne.

A. WE, James Carroll and Wiremu Pere, both of Gisborne, members of the House of Representatives of New Zealand, apply under "The Native Land (Validation of Titles) Act, 1893," for the validation of a contract made between the owners of the Rangitira Block (which said block of land is situate in the Native Land Court District of Gisborne, and contains 5,424 acres, more or less) and the New Zealand Native Land Settlement Company (Limited).

B. We desire to appear before the Validation Court on the 25th day of February, 1897, at the hour of half-past 10 o'clock in the forenoon, or so soon thereafter as counsel can be heard in that behalf.

C. The nature of the transaction proposed for validation is a contract made on or about the day of , 1883, between the owners of the Rangitira Block and the New Zealand Native Land Settlement Company (Limited) for the transfer to the said company by the owners of the said land of the said block of land, in trust for the Native owners thereof, in accordance with the articles of association of the said company. The said company, in accordance with the said contract, expended large sums of money on behalf of the said owners, and made advances to the said owners in pursuance of the said contract in connection with the said land.

D. The land which was intended to be alienated by the above-mentioned contract was the block of land called or known as the Rangitira Block, above described, the original title to which is a memorial of ownership under the Native Land Court Acts, 1873 and 1874, bearing date the 21st day of May, 1875.

E. The estate in the said land which we seek to obtain from the said Court is an estate in fee-simple.

F. The manner in which and the persons through whom we came to be invested with the title to the said land which we now hold are as follow :—

- (1.) Contract as above set out between the Native owners of the said Rangitira Block and the New Zealand Native Land Settlement Company (Limited).
- (2.) Memorandum of mortgage, dated the 3rd day of July, 1888, by the said New Zealand Native Land Settlement Company (Limited) to the Bank of New Zealand.
- (3.) Memorandum of transfer, dated the 5th day of August, 1890, by the said Bank of New Zealand to the Bank of New Zealand Estates Company (Limited).
- (4.) Memorandum of transfer, dated the 10th day of July, 1891, by the Registrar of the Supreme Court of New Zealand at Gisborne to the said Bank of New Zealand Estates Company (Limited).

(5.) Memorandum of agreement, dated the 17th day of February, 1892, between the Bank of New Zealand Estates Company (Limited) of the first part, William Lee Rees, of Gisborne, solicitor, of the second part, and ourselves (the applicants) of the third part.

G. Our address for service in the Town of Gisborne is at the office of Messrs. Rees and Day, solicitors, in Gladstone Road.

H. We desire the estates and interests of the Native owners of the said land, and the estates and interests of all the several parties mentioned in paragraph F of this application, through whom we claim, to be bound by the decrees of this Court, and for that purpose require that copies of this application be served on them or their representatives, according to the list herewith, and we desire that all others who may claim to be interested in this matter shall be treated as parties to these proceedings.

Dated at Gisborne, this 23rd day of December, 1896.

JAMES CARROLL,
WI PERE

(By their Solicitor and Agent,
W. L. REES).

To the Registrar of the Validation Court,
Gisborne.

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Application to the Validation Court under "The Native Land (Validation of Titles) Act, 1893."

No. 76.

IN THE VALIDATION COURT,
GISBORNE.

In the application of the Honourable James Carroll and Wiremu Pere, both of Gisborne, in the Provincial District of Auckland, for validation of interests claimed by them in the Tauwhareparae Block, situate in the Native Land Court District of Gisborne.

A. WE, James Carroll and Wiremu Pere, both of Gisborne, members of the House of Representatives of New Zealand, apply, under "The Native Land (Validation of Titles) Act, 1893," for the validation of a contract made between the owners of the Tauwhareparae Block (which said block of land is situate in the Native Land Court District of Gisborne, and contains 13,790 acres, more or less) and the New Zealand Native Land Settlement Company (Limited).

B. We desire to appear before the Validation Court on the 1st day of March, 1897, at the hour of half-past 10 o'clock in the forenoon, or so soon thereafter as counsel can be heard in that behalf.

C. The nature of the transaction proposed for validation is a contract made on or about the 9th day of April, 1883, between the owners of the Tauwhareparae Block and the New Zealand Native Land Settlement Company (Limited) for the transfer to the said company by the owners of the said land of the said block of land, in trust for the Native owners thereof, in accordance with the articles of association of the said company. The said company, in accordance with the said contract, expended large sums of money on behalf of the said owners, and made advances to the said owners in pursuance of the said contract in connection with the said land.

D. The land which was intended to be alienated by the above-mentioned contract was the block of land called or known as the Tauwhareparae Block, above described, the original title to which is a certificate of title under the Native Land Court Acts, 1873, 1874, and 1878, bearing date the 3rd day of June, 1881.

E. The estate in the said land which we seek to obtain from the said Court is an estate in fee-simple.

F. The manner in which and the persons through whom we came to be invested with the title to the said land which we now hold are as follow :—

- (1.) Contract as above set out between the Native owners of the said Tauwhareparae Block and the New Zealand Native Land Settlement Company (Limited).
- (2.) Memorandum of mortgage, dated the 3rd day of July, 1888, by the said New Zealand Native Land Settlement Company (Limited) to the Bank of New Zealand.

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- (4.) Memorandum of transfer, dated the 10th day of July, 1891, by the Registrar of the Supreme Court of New Zealand at Gisborne to the said Bank of New Zealand Estates Company (Limited).
- (5.) Memorandum of agreement, dated the 17th day of February, 1892, between the Bank of New Zealand Estates Company (Limited) of the first part, William Lee Rees, of Gisborne, solicitor, of the second part, and ourselves (the applicants) of the third part.

G. Our address for service in the Town of Gisborne is at the office of Messrs. Rees and Day, solicitors, in Gladstone Road.

H. We desire the estates and interests of the Native owners of the said land, and the estates and interests of all the several parties mentioned in paragraph F of this application, through whom we claim, to be bound by the decrees of this Court, and for that purpose require that copies of this application be served on them or their representatives according to the list herewith, and we desire that all others who may claim to be interested in this matter shall be treated as parties to these proceedings.

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WI PERE

(By their Solicitor and Agent,
W. L. REES).

To the Registrar of the Validation Court,
Gisborne.

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Application to the Validation Court under "The Native Land (Validation of Titles) Act, 1893."

No. 77.

IN THE VALIDATION COURT,
GISBORNE.

In the application of the Honourable James Carroll and Wiremu Pere, both of Gisborne, in the Provincial District of Auckland, for validation of interests claimed by them in the Tuakau No. 1A Block, situate in the Native Land Court District of Gisborne.

A. WE, James Carroll and Wiremu Pere, both of Gisborne, members of the House of Representatives of New Zealand, apply under "The Native Land (Validation of Titles) Act, 1893," for the validation of a contract made between the owners of the Tuakau No. 1A Block (which said block of land is situate in the Native Land Court District of Gisborne, and contains 8,815 acres, more or less) and the New Zealand Native Land Settlement Company (Limited).

B. We desire to appear before the Validation Court on the 1st day of March, 1897, at the hour of half-past 10 o'clock in the forenoon, or so soon thereafter as counsel can be heard in that behalf.

C. The nature of the transaction proposed for validation is a contract made on or about the 9th day of April, 1883, between the owners of the Tuakau No. 1A Block and the New Zealand Native Land Settlement Company (Limited) for the transfer to the said company by the owners of the said land of the said block of land, in trust for the Native owners thereof, in accordance with the articles of association of the said company. The said company, in accordance with the said contract, expended large sums of money on behalf of the said owners, and made advances to the said owners in pursuance of the said contract in connection with the said land.

D. The land which was intended to be alienated by the above-mentioned contract was the block of land called or known as the Tuakau No. 1A Block, above described, the original title to which is a certificate of title under the Native Land Court Acts, 1873, 1874, and 1878, bearing date the 3rd day of June, 1881.

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A. WE, James Carroll and Wiremu Pere, both of Gisborne, members of the House of Representatives of New Zealand, apply under "The Native Land (Validation of Titles) Act, 1893," for the validation of a contract made between the owners of the Waingaromia No. 1 Block (which said block of land is situate in the Native Land Court District of Gisborne, and contains 5,593 acres 2 roods 30 perches, more or less) and the New Zealand Native Land Settlement Company (Limited).

B. We desire to appear before the Validation Court on the 1st day of March, 1897, at the hour of half-past 10 o'clock in the forenoon, or so soon thereafter as counsel can be heard in that behalf.

C. The nature of the transaction proposed for validation is a contract made on or about the day of , 1883, between the owners of the Waingaromia No. 1 Block and the New Zealand Native Land Settlement Company (Limited) for the transfer to the said company by the owners of the said land of the said block of land, in trust for the Native owners thereof, in accordance with the articles of association of the said company. The said company, in accordance with the said contract, expended large sums of money on behalf of the said owners, and made advances to the said owners in pursuance of the said contract in connection with the said land.

D. The land which was intended to be alienated by the above-mentioned contract was the block of land called or known as the Waingaromia No. 1 Block, above described, the original title to which is a memorial of ownership under the Native Land Court Acts, 1873 and 1874, bearing date the 8th day of August, 1877.

E. The estate in the said land which we seek to obtain from the said Court is an estate in fee-simple.

F. The manner in which and the persons through whom we came to be invested with the title to the said land which we now hold are as follow:—

- (1.) Contract as above set out between the Native owners of the said Waingaromia No. 1 Block and the New Zealand Native Land Settlement Company (Limited).
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(By their Solicitor and Agent,
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To the Registrar of the Validation Court,
Gisborne.

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Application to the Validation Court under "The Native Land (Validation of Titles) Act, 1893."

IN THE VALIDATION COURT,
AT GISBORNE.

In the matter of "The Native Land (Validation of Titles) Act, 1893," and the amendments thereof, and in the matter of the block or parcel of land known as Waiaranga No. 2, and in the matter of the application of James Nelson Williams.

1. JAMES NELSON WILLIAMS, of Frimley, in the Provincial District of Hawke's Bay and Colony of New Zealand, sheep-farmer, desires to appear before the Validation Court at Gisborne on Wednesday, the 17th day of February, 1897, at the hour of 10 o'clock in the forenoon, and to ask that the undivided estates and interests of Kereama Kaipara, Hone Heke, Raniera Tuhua, Ihehu Haki, Horomona Hapai, Pita Rongo, Pipi Taweka, Renata Hape, Eparaima Uruika, Wiki Tirote, Aramata Pongahuru, Riwia te Haua, Mere Ruawahine, Pekama Pahuru, Irihapeti Pohakena, Wiremu te Urupa, Hori Matamua, Hari Pikoi, Himiona te Moana, Mokana Horua, Mere Tauwi, Herewini Tamahori, Iritana Iriwaho, Pipi te Manga, Pine Tipuna, Eruera Kupenga, Apirana Tatua, Peta te Wa, Winiata Taniwha, Himiona Tiwhatiwha, Popata Pikihua, Marara Takanini, Harata Taheke, Hiria Tehaikoko, Erana Rauhaere, Hirini Tenate, Raiha Kamau, Iritana Horua, Maraea Whakaki, Hohepa Taiha, Wiremu Ngara, Himiona Hapai, and Makere te Rahikoia in the parcel or block of land situate in the Provincial District of Auckland, containing by admeasurement 216 acres 1 rood 15 perches, more or less, and known as the Waiaranga No. 2 Block, transferred, conveyed, and assured by the said aboriginal natives to one Herewaka Poata, of Gisborne aforesaid, aboriginal native woman, by deed of conveyance dated the 2nd day of October, 1882, in consideration of the sum of £2 10s. paid by the said Here-

waka Poata to each of the said aboriginal natives, and that the estate and interest of the said Herewaka Poata, transferred by the said Herewaka Poata to the applicant by memorandum of transfer dated the 29th day of December, 1896, in consideration of the sum of 5s. paid by the applicant to the said Herewaka Poata, be vested in the applicant for an estate in fee-simple in possession free from encumbrances.

2. At the time of the alienation witnessed by the said conveyance of the 2nd day of October, 1882, the title to the said land was memorial of ownership, and the said aboriginal natives, vendors in the said conveyance, were owners of the said Waiaranga No. 2 Block. The title to the said block is now under "The Land Transfer Act, 1885," being a customary title within the meaning of "The Native Land Court Act, 1894." By the said customary title, which bore date the 30th day of April, 1880, the said parcel of land was vested in Kereama Kaipara, Hone Heke, Tuta Nihoniho, Raniera Tuhua, Iehu Haki, Horomona Hapai, Reupena te Ana, Heni Nohoaka, Pita Rongo, Hoana Whakama, Pipi Taweka, Renata Hape, Eparaima Uruika, Wiki Tirote, Aramata Pongahuru, Tamihana Kakano, Erueti Rena, Riwai te Haua, Mere Ruawahine, Pekama Pahuru, Irihapeti Pohakena, Wiremu te Urupa, Hori Matamua, Hari Pikori, Himiona te Moana, Mokena Horua, Hati Taitua, Hari Maruata, Mere Tauwi, Herewini Tamahori, Iritana Iriwaho, Pipi te Manga, Hori Peita, Pine Tipuna, Emara Kupenga, Apirana Tatua, Makere te Rahikoia, Peta Tewa, Mereana Nihoniho, Winiata Taniwha, Himiona Tiwhatiwha, Popata Pikiuha, Marara Takaanini, Harata Taheke, Hiria Tehaikoko, Erana Rauhaere, Hirini Tenati, Raiha Kamau, Iritana Horua, Maraea Whakaki, Hekiera Taurare, Wiremu Ngara, Himiona Hapai, Mere Whariki.

3. The estate or interest in the said parcel of land which the applicant seeks to obtain through the aid of the Court is a freehold which was vested in the said Herewaka Poata by the said deed of conveyance of the 2nd day of October, 1882, and was transferred by the said Herewaka Poata to the applicant by memorandum of transfer bearing date the 29th day of December, 1896.

4. The applicant names the office of Messrs. Nolan and Skeet, solicitors, in Gisborne, as the place where notices, orders, and other documents may be served upon the applicant by leaving the same at such place for him.

5. The applicant names the said Herewaka Poata and Kereama Kaipara, Hone Heke, Raniera Tuhua, Ihehu Haki, Horomona Hapai, Pita Rongo, Pipi Taweka, Renata Hape, Eparaima Uruika, Wiki Tirote, Aramata Pongahuru, Riwia te Haua, Mere Ruawahine, Pekama Pahuru, Irihapeti Pohakena, Wiremu te Urupa, Hori Matamua, Hari Pikoi, Himiona te Moana, Mokana Horua, Mere Tauwi, Herewini Tamahori, Iritana Iriwaho, Pipi te Manga, Pine Tipuna, Eruera Kupenga, Apirama Tatua, Peta te Wa, Winiata Taniwha, Himiona Tiwhatiwha, Popata Pikihua, Marara Takanini, Harata Taheke, Hiria Tehaikoko, Erana Rauhaere, Hirini Tenate, Raiha Kamau, Iritana Horua, Maraea Whakaki, Hohepa Taiha, Wiremu Ngara, Himiona Hapai, and Makere te Rahikoia as the persons upon whom the applicant requires that a copy of this application be served.

Dated this 29th day of December, 1896.

E. H. WILLIAMS
(Agent for JAMES NELSON WILLIAMS,
the applicant).

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Census, 1896.—Education of the People.

Registrar-General's Office, Wellington, 21st January, 1897.

FURTHER results of the census taken for 12th April last, as shown in the accompanying tables relating to education, are published for general information.

E. J. VON DADELSZEN,
Registrar-General.

EDUCATION AT SUCCESSIVE CENSUSES.—PROPORTIONS PER CENT.

TABLE showing (exclusive of Maoris and Chinese) the Percentage of the Total Number of Persons, Males, and Females living at the Date of each Census since 1858, able to read and write, able to read only, and unable to read.

Census Periods.	Read and Write.			Read only.			Cannot Read.		
	Persons.	Males.	Females.	Persons.	Males.	Females.	Persons.	Males.	Females.
December, 1858 ..	Per Cent. 63·51	Per Cent. 66·86	Per Cent. 59·13	Per Cent. 11·30	Per Cent. 9·59	Per Cent. 13·53	Per Cent. 25·19	Per Cent. 23·55	Per Cent. 27·34
December, 1861 ..	68·67	73·45	61·36	9·01	7·12	11·89	22·32	19·43	26·75
December, 1864 ..	72·70	77·27	65·27	7·17	5·64	9·65	20·13	17·09	25·08
December, 1867 ..	71·35	75·62	64·86	7·25	5·95	9·24	21·40	18·43	25·90
February, 1871 ..	69·20	73·10	63·75	7·50	6·36	9·10	23·30	20·54	27·15
March, 1874 ..	68·15	71·40	63·94	8·09	6·96	9·56	23·76	21·64	26·50
March, 1878 ..	69·52	72·11	66·33	6·76	5·91	7·80	23·72	21·98	25·87
April, 1881 ..	71·32	73·31	68·94	5·63	5·01	6·39	23·05	21·68	24·67
March, 1886 ..	74·01	75·40	72·41	4·80	4·36	5·31	21·19	20·24	22·28
April, 1891 ..	77·27	77·97	76·48	3·97	3·74	4·24	18·76	18·29	19·28
April, 1896 ..	80·60	81·06	80·09	2·89	2·71	3·08	16·51	16·23	16·83

EDUCATION.—GENERAL SUMMARY.—NUMBERS AND PROPORTIONS PER CENT.
 TABLE showing (exclusive of Maoris and Chinese) the Number of Persons, Males, and Females at Quinquennial Age-periods able to Read and Write, able to Read only, or unable to Read, and the Proportions per Cent., according to the Census of the 17th April, 1896.

Ages.	Numbers (excluding Chinese).				Proportion to every 100 at each Quinquennial Age-period.																
	Males.		Females.		Persons.		Males.		Females.												
	Read and Write.	Read only.	Cannot Read.	Education unknown.	Read and Write.	Read only.	Cannot Read.	Education unknown.	Read and Write.	Read only.	Cannot Read.										
All ages	561,777	201,114	115,111	2,647	296,827	9,938	59,421	1,544	264,950	10,176	55,690	1,103	80.60	2.89	16.51	81.06	2.71	16.23	80.09	3.08	16.83
Specified ages	561,240	20,097	115,058	2,468	296,497	9,928	59,388	1,388	264,743	10,169	55,670	1,080	80.59	2.89	16.52	81.05	2.71	16.24	80.08	3.08	16.84
Specified ages above 5 years	561,240	19,620	115,020	31,891	296,497	9,725	17,153	1,388	264,743	9,895	14,738	1,080	80.59	3.20	16.52	81.06	3.00	16.24	80.08	3.42	16.84
Under 5 years	477	83,167	12,201	477	24,701	6,449	11,755	653	25,099	5,752	11,005	603	89.75	0.57	99.43	..	..	99.52	..	0.66	99.34
5 years to 10 years	84,158	551	529	84,158	42,270	322	315	135	41,888	229	214	91	88.73	0.65	98.73	14.40	26.85	57.57	13.74	26.29	5.51
10 "	79,909	182	490	79,909	39,844	112	300	75	40,065	70	190	43	99.17	0.22	98.98	15.03	27.40	7.73	13.74	26.29	5.51
15 "	79,909	182	490	79,909	39,844	112	300	75	40,065	70	190	43	99.17	0.22	98.98	15.03	27.40	7.73	13.74	26.29	5.51
20 "	67,827	176	469	67,827	33,654	124	289	71	34,173	52	180	41	99.06	0.36	98.79	14.40	26.85	7.73	13.74	26.29	5.51
25 "	58,478	206	506	58,478	29,826	111	314	72	28,652	95	192	48	98.80	0.35	98.05	14.40	26.85	7.73	13.74	26.29	5.51
30 "	43,788	320	578	43,788	22,715	177	359	58	21,073	143	219	31	97.99	0.72	97.70	14.40	26.85	7.73	13.74	26.29	5.51
35 "	38,714	498	751	38,714	21,242	239	441	59	17,472	399	310	39	96.87	1.25	95.44	14.40	26.85	7.73	13.74	26.29	5.51
40 "	32,498	675	878	32,498	18,456	285	496	66	14,042	390	382	40	95.44	1.98	93.60	14.40	26.85	7.73	13.74	26.29	5.51
45 "	27,186	727	959	27,186	15,345	290	547	52	11,841	437	412	35	94.16	2.51	91.83	14.40	26.85	7.73	13.74	26.29	5.51
50 "	25,092	994	1,099	25,092	14,694	369	636	52	10,398	625	603	36	92.30	3.66	89.75	14.40	26.85	7.73	13.74	26.29	5.51
55 "	20,749	899	895	20,749	13,071	376	518	32	7,678	523	377	19	92.04	3.99	89.75	14.40	26.85	7.73	13.74	26.29	5.51
60 "	15,019	808	808	15,019	9,567	295	481	30	5,455	479	327	16	90.47	4.66	87.04	14.40	26.85	7.73	13.74	26.29	5.51
65 "	9,113	468	468	9,113	5,867	225	297	15	3,246	348	171	16	89.75	5.65	86.62	14.40	26.85	7.73	13.74	26.29	5.51
70 "	4,668	366	366	4,668	2,839	171	185	7	1,829	225	140	11	86.62	7.35	82.19	14.40	26.85	7.73	13.74	26.29	5.51
75 "	2,723	268	268	2,723	1,589	103	103	6	1,134	165	103	5	84.62	8.07	80.74	14.40	26.85	7.73	13.74	26.29	5.51
80 and upwards	1,518	180	180	1,518	820	77	77	5	698	103	72	6	82.19	9.74	80.74	14.40	26.85	7.73	13.74	26.29	5.51
Unspecified age under 21
Unspecified age over 21

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TABLE showing the number, ages, and occupations of each sex of the Chinese population of the colony, according to the census taken for the 12th April last, is published for general information.

CHINESE IN NEW ZEALAND.—AGES AND OCCUPATIONS.

Order.	Sub-order.	No.	Occupations.	Ages of Males.							Ages of Females.								
				Under 15 Years.	15 and under 20 Years.	20 and under 25 Years.	25 and under 45 Years.	45 and under 65 Years.	65 Years and Upwards.	Unspecified.	Total Males.	Under 15 Years.	15 and under 20 Years.	20 and under 25 Years.	25 and under 45 Years.	45 and under 65 Years.	65 Years and Upwards.	Unspecified.	Total Females.
I.	IV.	6	Law-clerk .. .. .	..	..	..	I	..	..	..	..	I	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
II.	I.	2	Missionary .. .. .	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
	III.	3	Medical man .. .. .	..	..	..	I	3	I	..	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
		4	Dentist .. .. .	..	..	I	..	..	..	..	..	I	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
		5	Chemist .. .. .	..	..	..	..	I	..	..	..	I	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
	IV.	3	Interpreter .. .. .	..	..	..	..	I	..	..	..	I	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
	VII.	3	Schoolmaster .. .. .	..	..	..	..	I	..	..	..	I	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
	IX.	2	Teacher of music .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	I	..	..	..	..	..
	X.	6	Billiard-marker .. .. .	..	..	..	I	..	..	..	..	I	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
III.	I.	1	Hotelkeeper .. .. .	..	..	..	..	I	2	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
		2	Coffee-house, restaurant, and eating-house keeper	..	..	..	5	14	..	..	..	19	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
		3	Board-and-lodging-house keeper	..	..	I	14	13	..	I	..	29	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
	II.	1	Domestic servant, cook .. .. .	..	..	I	5	24	..	..	..	30	..	..	I	..	..	..	..
		3	Hotel servant .. .. .	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
			" cook .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
		8	Hairdresser .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	..	I	..	I	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
		9	Laundryman, washerwoman .. .. .	..	2	..	17	4	..	..	..	30	..	..	I	..	..	..	..
		10	Cook (not hotel or domestic servant)	..	..	..	26	..	..	I	..	27	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
		13	Bath attendant .. .. .	..	..	..	..	I	..	..	..	I	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
IV.	I.	7	Banker .. .. .	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
V.	IV.	3	Fancy-goods dealer .. .. .	..	..	..	2	I	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
	XVII.	3	Rag, waste-paper dealer .. .. .	..	..	..	..	I	..	..	..	I	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
VI.	I.	1	Clerk, warehouse .. .. .	..	..	..	..	I	..	..	..	I	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
		2	Draper .. .. .	..	..	I	4	2	..	..	..	7	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
			" assistant .. .. .	..	..	..	..	I	..	..	..	I	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
VII.	I.	3	Butcher .. .. .	..	..	..	I	I	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
		6	Fish-hawker .. .. .	..	..	..	10	15	..	..	..	25	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
	II.	3	Confectioner .. .. .	..	..	..	I	..	..	..	..	I	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
		4	Greengrocer, fruiterer .. .. .	..	2	5	62	22	I	2	..	94	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
			" assistant .. .. .	..	..	13	25	..	..	..	..	38	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
			" Manager fruit-shop .. .. .	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
			" Vegetable-hawker .. .. .	..	..	I	15	13	I	I	..	31	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
	III.	4	Grocer .. .. .	..	2	2	12	3	..	..	..	19	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
			" Grocer's assistant .. .. .	..	I	6	9	..	..	..	..	17	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
			" shopman .. .. .	..	..	I	2	I	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
		5	Tobacconist .. .. .	..	..	..	..	I	..	..	..	I	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
		6	Opium-seller .. .. .	..	..	..	I	..	..	..	..	I	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
VIII.	I.	3	Groom (not domestic) .. .. .	..	..	..	I	..	..	..	..	I	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
X.	I.	6	China-ware dealer .. .. .	..	..	..	I	..	..	..	..	I	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
XI.	I.	1	Merchant .. .. .	..	..	..	6	4	I	..	..	11	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
			" Assistant .. .. .	..	..	..	3	I	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
			" Storeman .. .. .	..	..	..	..	I	..	..	..	I	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
			" Traveller .. .. .	..	..	..	..	I	..	..	..	I	..	..	..	..	..	..	..

"The Agricultural and Pastoral Statistics Act, 1895."—Interim Return, 1896-97.—Notice No. 474.

Department of Agriculture, Wellington, 27th January, 1897.

THE following figures show the areas under cereals and quantity of grain on hand at 10th November, 1896. The complete returns are not yet available; but it is not likely there will be any alterations to seriously affect the totals. Every endeavour has been made to get as correct a return as possible of the quantity of grain in the hands of farmers, millers, and others. Under the heading of "Wheat on hand," there is shown a very large increase over return for last year; the increase, however, is more apparent than real. The returns for last year were not collected till January, or from six weeks to two months later than the present ones. During this period a considerable quantity of wheat—estimated at from five to six hundred thousand bushels—was milled or otherwise disposed of.

Taking the quantity on hand for last year at 608,364 bushels, and adding, say, 600,000 bushels as above, would give a total of over 1,200,000 bushels on hand, or within 110,000 bushels of that shown in present return. The actual increase of grain on hand over last year's figures may therefore be estimated at 110,000 bushels.

An estimate of the probable yields of wheat, oats, and barley has been obtained; and although in some districts the crops are hardly far enough advanced to enable a close calculation to be arrived at, yet with favourable weather the estimates should be realised. The figures are as follow:—

Provincial District.	Wheat.			Oats.			Barley.		
	Acreage.	Estimated Yield.	Total Bushels.	Acreage.	Estimated Yield.	Total Bushels.	Acreage.	Estimated Yield.	Total Bushels.
Auckland	5,647	20	112,940	7,703	22	169,466	521	25	13,025
Hawke's Bay	1,037	25	25,925	5,189	31	160,859	1,535	35	53,725
Taranaki	2,069	30	62,070	4,842	30	145,260	548	34	18,632
Wellington	9,488	29	275,152	21,565	32	690,080	621	26	16,146
Marlborough	5,136	25	128,400	4,376	25	109,400	3,431	15	51,465
Nelson	4,262	29	123,598	5,584	28	156,352	3,841	25	96,025
Westland* .. ..	..	..	..	10	..	..	..	..	..
Canterbury	189,638	24	4,551,312	138,082	27	3,728,214	11,479	26	298,454
Otago	63,491	28	1,777,748	205,628	32	6,580,096	7,932	26	206,232
	280,768	25	7,057,145	392,969	30	11,739,727	29,908	25	753,704

*Not included in averages.

The dry weather which has continued for the past two months has had a most disastrous effect on the corn crops, consequently a considerable area originally intended for threshing will now be cut for chaff. The following figures may therefore be taken as the more accurate:—

Wheat.			Oats.			Barley.		
Acres.	Estimated Yield.	Total Bushels.	Acres.	Estimated Yield.	Total Bushels.	Acres.	Estimated Yield.	Total Bushels.
280,768	..	..	392,969	..	..	29,908	..	..
22,461*	..	..	23,578*	..	..	1,495*	..	..
258,307	25	6,457,675	369,391	30	11,081,730	28,413	25	710,825

* Estimated will now be cut for chaff.

The quantity of wheat to be handled for the period 10th November, 1896, to, say, 10th November, 1897, may be estimated as follows:—

On hand at 10th November, 1896	..	..	..	..	..	Bushels.
Estimated yield, harvest, 1897 ..	..	..	..	..	..	1,310,027
						6,457,675
Total	..	..	..	..	..	7,767,702

The complete returns will be published at an early date, and an estimate of the actual yields of grain will be obtained from the threshing returns.

JOHN D. RITCHIE,
Secretary.

CORN CROPS SOWN OR INTENDED TO BE SOWN THIS SEASON.
SUMMARY OF PROVINCES.

Provincial District.	Wheat.				Oats.					Barley.			Rye.				Maize.				Peas.			Beans.				Vetches or Tares.				Linseed.		Hops.		Other Crops.									
	Acreage.				Acreage.					Acreage.			Acreage.				Acreage.				Acreage.			Acreage.				Quantity now on Hand, in Pounds.		Quantity now on Hand, in Pounds.		Acreage.													
	For Threshing.	For Chaffing.	For Ensilage.	For Feeding down with Stock.	Quantity of Grain now on Hand, in Bushels.	For Threshing.	For Chaffing.	For Ensilage.	For Feeding down with Stock.	Quantity of Grain now on Hand, in Bushels.	For Threshing.	For Ensilage.	For Feeding down with Stock.	Quantity of Grain now on Hand, in Bushels.	For Threshing.	For Ensilage.	For Feeding down with Stock.	Quantity of Grain now on Hand, in Bushels.	For Threshing.	For Ensilage.	For Feeding down with Stock.	Quantity now on Hand, in Bushels.	For Threshing.	For Ensilage.	For Feeding down with Stock.	Quantity now on Hand, in Bushels.	For Threshing.	For Ensilage.	For Feeding down with Stock.	Quantity now on Hand, in Bushels.	For Threshing.	For Ensilage.	For Feeding down with Stock.	Quantity now on Hand, in Bushels.	Acreage.	Quantity now on Hand, in Pounds.	Acreage.	Quantity now on Hand, in Pounds.	For Threshing.	For Chaffing.	For Ensilage.	For Feeding down with Stock.	Quantity now on Hand.		
AUCKLAND ..	1896-97	5,647	96	6	4	92,277	7,703	27,108	650	1,156	8,351	521	14	22	8	61	1	18	124	10650	130	1351	39105	139	7	15	6	84	..	36	12	..	15	..	15	..	7	..	137	9	13	56	200		
	1895-96	8,923	231	2	54	174	6,253	22,768	901	1,214	6,600	945	8	140	155	148	3	23	..	11734	159	1128	24533	105	46	1	..	11	14	..	5		
HAWKE'S BAY ..	1896-97	1,037	27	..	1	823	5,189	4,083	17	268	7,917	1,535	41	56	1,977	48	4	304	174	1,372	1	31	93	41	..	1	..	32	36	4	..	6	63	1	1	141	
	1895-96	695	93	12	6,830	4,869	41	490	3,351	1,842	1	106	190	138	12	55	..	1,105	5	67	60	37	4	..	4	171	2	4	5	3	
TARANAKI ..	1896-97	2,069	4	12,393	4,842	1,741	99	297	3,051	548	..	1	10	62	..	128	..	260	8	1	..	35	40	243	..	960	1	..	15	7	14	..	2
	1895-96	1,793	36	1	17	180	3,924	2,124	100	294	5,534	482	7	8	425	25	..	4	..	557	50	1	280	20	3	..	6	312	4	..	10	14	13	3,150	
WELLINGTON ..	1896-97	9,488	11	..	38	22,891	21,565	10,035	44	1,436	36,128	621	..	45	3,114	197	..	2	312	158	..	8	177	610	..	11	178	213	..	316	12	..	7	33	21	397	8	766	4	42	..		
	1895-96	7,400	370	46	514	14,889	18,627	9,985	801	1,062	36,351	763	2	570	3,370	147	..	351	458	420	2	1	802	561	41	..	234	289	3	152	50	21	5,416	8	1,012	11	..	40	2	..			
MARLBOROUGH ..	1896-97	5,136	40	1	..	20,068	4,376	5,135	30	259	3,108	3,431	79	..	140	120	1394	110	77	..	50	41	3		
	1895-96	5,179	86	..	2	3,402	3,588	3,591	..	121	1,966	3,853	9	20	2,940	81	..	285	..	1	1269	558	176	..	4	59	3	6	3	3	..		
NELSON ..	1896-97	4,262	37	..	41	3,719	5,584	11,029	12	362	12,473	3,841	558	54	..	1	68	13	..	5	..	695	..	13	93	122	27	..	5	..	11	..	721	..	8		
	1895-96	1,826	2	..	1	88	1,945	6,801	12	517	2,093	1,990	..	9	158	39	..	2	..	1	215	25	74	..	50	9	6	..	323	..	30	1832	1580	..			
WESTLAND ..	1896-97	10	828	30	53	1	..	1	2				
	1895-96	..	5	41	688	40	74	11	..	2			
CANTERBURY ..	1896-97	189638	338	120	34	926,932	138082	46,073	144	6,078	391,343	11479	4	1201	91377	924	11	312	260	2	..	17	297	4608	..	130	4014	3,148	..	2927	210	..	1	1654	201	1,893	..	10630	16	19	..		
	1895-96	169495	1492	4	768	526,284	128055	43,162	63	5,700	509,988	12193	5	342	175172	512	..	1350	850	16	..	3	127	4844	75	..	1672	3,784	21	2177	285	1032	127	3,730	..	1002	188	..	1	244	40		
OTAGO ..	1896-97	63,491	4	..	11	230,924	205628	64,806	10	3,022	649,220	7932	40	717	74,189	1801	..	1223	1391	133	91	..	1	47	13	..	4	151	..	8	20	1669	136514	..	1,437		
	1895-96	50,130	318	..	159	63,347	195525	63,862	206	2,070	267,832	13283	..	632	27,902	2276	30	978	162	35	149	2	11	..	51	2	1920	381081	117	16	2160			
TOTALS	1896-97	280768	557	127	129	1310027	392979	170838	1036	12931	1111591	29908	99	2042	171233	3226	16	2128	2449	12455	139	1413	39805	7614	7	172	4488	3,932	..	4293	454	..	51	1750	1937	138804	747	12896	166	9	13	118	341		
	1895-96	245441	2633	65	1515	608364	364788	157850	2164	11542	833726	35358	32	1827	210312	3366	45	3048	1470	13834	216	1200	25837	7200	123	..	2501	4,863	31	2387	480	16	..	1032	2104	393377	352	2020	488	..	168	2156	3805		
INCREASE	35,327	..	62	..	701,663	28,191	12,988	..	1,389	277,865	..	67	215	979	213	13968	414	..	172	1987	51	718	395	10876	..	9		
DECREASE	2076	..	1386	1128	..	5,450	39,079	140	29	920	..	1,379	77	167	254573	322	..	155	2038	3464				

RETURN of IMMIGRATION to and EMIGRATION from the COLONY of NEW ZEALAND during the MONTH of DECEMBER, 1896, showing the Places from which Persons arrived and to which they departed, and the Ports of Arrival and Departure.

ARRIVALS AND DEPARTURES FROM AND TO DIFFERENT PLACES.

Countries.	ARRIVALS.					DEPARTURES.				
	Adults.		Children.		Total Persons.	Adults.		Children.		Total Persons.
	M.	F.	M.	F.		M.	F.	M.	F.	
United Kingdom	114	66	16	16	212	33	29	5	3	70
New South Wales	705	344	69	67	1,185	348	184	37	31	600
Queensland .. ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	2
Victoria	253	184	33	24	494	123	78	8	7	216
South Australia .. ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Western Australia .. ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	2
Tasmania	59	31	3	3	96	69	24	3	2	98
Fiji	15	9	3	3	30	2	2	3	1	8
Other British possessions	20	11	3	1	35*	1	1	..	..	2†
Pacific Islands .. ..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	3‡
Other foreign ports	56	24	2	9	91§	22	10	2	1	35||
Totals, December, 1896..	1,222	669	129	123	2,143	601	330	59	46	1,036
Totals, December, 1895..	1,296	709	136	142	2,283	699	364	75	52	1,190

* From Norfolk Islands, 12; Cook Islands, 23. † For Cook Islands. ‡ For Friendly Islands. § From San Francisco. || For San Francisco, 24; Monte Video, 11.

ARRIVALS AT AND DEPARTURES FROM DIFFERENT NEW ZEALAND PORTS.*

Ports.	ARRIVALS.					DEPARTURES.				
	Adults.	Children.	Males.	Females.	Total Persons.	Adults.	Children.	Males.	Females.	Total Persons.
Kaipara .. ..	..	..	..	..	..	2	1	2	1	3
Auckland	812	87	596	303	899	340	34	246	128	374
Wellington	554	102	410	246	656	258	43	186	115	301
Napier .. ..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	1
Lyttelton .. ..	..	..	..	..	..	32	6	22	16	38
Timaru	1	1	..	2	2	1	1	..	2	2
Dunedin	1	..	1	..	1	3	..	..	3	3
Bluff	523	62	344	241	585	294	20	203	111	314
Totals, December, 1896..	1,891	252	1,351	792	2,143	931	105	660	376	1,036
Totals, December, 1895..	2,005	278	1,432	851	2,283	1,063	127	774	416	1,190

CHINESE.—Arrivals: Nil. Departures: From Wellington, 9.

* It is important to mention that, in the returns from which this table is made up, immigrants to the colony are all counted at the first port of arrival, and emigrants at the final port of departure.

Registrar-General's Office,
Wellington, 27th January, 1897.

E. J. VON DADELSZEN,
Registrar-General.

Inland Mail-services.

Post and Telegraph Department,

General Post Office, Wellington, 26th January, 1897.

THE following list of inland mail-services now being performed under contract or arrangement within the colony is published for general information.

By order.

W. GRAY,

Secretary.

POSTAL DISTRICT OF AUCKLAND.

No. of Service.	Service.	Frequency.	How performed.	Name of Contractor.	Annual Subsidy.	Date of Termination of Contract.
PERFORMED UNDER CONTRACT.						
					£ s. d.	
1	Ahipara and Herekino	Weekly ..	Horse ..	H. Bowman ..	17 0 0	31 Dec., 1899.
2	Auckland and Mount Eden	Daily ..	'Bus ..	Paterson and Co. ..	10 0 0	"
3	Auckland and Mount Roskill	Daily ..	'Bus ..	Paterson and Co. ..	10 0 0	"
4	Auckland, Arch Hill, and Western Springs..	Daily ..	'Bus ..	T. and J. Crawford ..	12 0 0	"
5	Auckland, St. John's College, and St. Helier's	Daily ..	'Bus ..	Pullan, Armitage, and Co. ..	35 0 0	"
6	Auckland Chief Post Office, Railway Station, and wharves	As required ..	Vans ..	W. and G. Winstone ..	189 0 0	"
7	Auckland, clearing receivers	Twice daily ..	Spring-van ..	Paterson and Co. ..	190 0 0	"
8	Auckland Landing Service	As required ..	Boat ..	J. H. Bradney ..	12 0 0	"
9	Avondale, Titirangi, Brooklynn, and Huia ..	Weekly ..	Horse ..	T. S. Armstrong ..	24 0 0	"
10	Awhitu Landing Service, Awhitu and Awhitu Central	Thrice weekly	Horse ..	J. Garland ..	35 0 0	"
11	Awhitu Central and Manukau Heads	Weekly ..	Horse ..	J. Garland ..	10 0 0	"
12	Birkenhead and Birkdale	Daily rural delivery	Horse ..	W. Newton ..	30 0 0	"
13	Birkenhead, Freeman's, Albany, and Dairy Flat	Thrice weekly ..	Horse ..	T. Horton ..	65 0 0	"
14	Bombay and Paparata	Weekly ..	Horse ..	J. Fahey ..	7 0 0	"
15	Cabbage Bay and Port Charles	Weekly ..	Horse ..	R. Carey ..	13 0 0	"
16	Cambridge Railway Station and Post Office	As required ..	Van ..	W. T. Carr ..	12 10 0	"
17	Clevedon and Ness Valley	Weekly ..	Horse ..	G. Campbell ..	7 0 0	"
18	Coromandel and Whangapoua	Weekly ..	Horse ..	W. H. Preece ..	31 4 0	"
19	Coromandel, Driving Creek, and Tokatea ..	Twice daily ..	Horse ..	E. Keating ..	50 0 0	"
20	Coromandel Post Office and Wharf	As required ..	Spring-cart ..	J. Denize ..	47 0 0	"
21	Coromandel Landing Service	As required ..	Boat ..	J. Harney ..	10 0 0	"
22	Devonport and Takapuna	Thrice weekly ..	'Bus ..	Paterson and Co. ..	30 0 0	"
23	Devonport, Takapuna, Red Vale, Wade, Orewa, Waiwera, Puhoi, Warkworth, Wayby, and Wellsford	Thrice weekly to Warkworth, once weekly Warkworth to Wellsford	Coach ..	W. K. Carter ..	555 0 0	"
24	Drury, Ramarama, and Bombay	Daily ..	Coach ..	J. Carter ..	48 10 0	"
25	Ellerslie, Panmure, Pakuranga, and Howick	Daily ..	'Bus ..	T. and J. Crawford ..	65 0 0	"
26	Fairburn's, Victoria Valley, and Takahue ..	Weekly ..	Horse ..	W. H. Kirtlan ..	18 0 0	"
27	Frankton Junction, Hamilton, and Kirikiriroa	Twice daily ..	'Bus ..	C. Harwood ..	30 0 0	"
28	Hamilton, Tamahere, Hautapu, and Cambridge	Daily ..	Coach ..	W. T. Carr ..	65 0 0	"
29	Hamilton, Whatawhata, Waitetuna, Te Uku, Okete, and Raglan	Twice weekly ..	Coach ..	C. E. Sutton ..	110 0 0	"
30	Helensville and Parkhurst	Twice weekly ..	Horse ..	J. Harris ..	16 0 0	"
31	Henderson Railway Station and Post Office	Daily ..	Foot ..	S. La Trobe ..	12 0 0	"
32	Hikurangi, Otonga, and Opuawhanga	Twice weekly ..	Horse ..	J. McKenzie ..	39 9 9	"
33	Hikurangi, Otonga East, and Whananaki ..	Twice weekly ..	Horse ..	C. B. Mawhinney ..	34 10 0	"
34	Hikurangi, Hukerenui, Towai, and Kawakawa	Weekly ..	Coach ..	A. Christie ..	92 10 0	"
35	Howick and Whitford	Twice weekly ..	Horse ..	A. H. Gaskell ..	10 0 0	"
36	Hohoua and Waihopo	Weekly ..	Horse ..	J. M. Tynan ..	4 0 0	"
37	Kaihu and Maunganui Bluff	Weekly ..	Horse ..	M. J. Nelson ..	15 0 0	"
38	Kaikohe and Oruru	Fortnightly ..	Horse ..	A. G. Mitai ..	18 0 0	"
39	Kaitaia and Awanui	Weekly ..	Horse ..	F. J. Matthews ..	10 8 0	"
40	Kaiwaka, Hakaru, and Mangawai	Weekly ..	Horse ..	W. Bowmar ..	19 10 0	"
41	Kakepuku and Ormsby's Farm	Weekly ..	Horse ..	N. Young ..	4 0 0	"
42	Kamo, Ruatangata East, Ruatangata, Aponga, and Mangakahia	Weekly ..	Horse ..	A. McMillan ..	45 10 0	"
43	Kaukapakapa Railway Station and Post Office	As required ..	Horse ..	F. Dye ..	9 15 0	"
44	Kaukapakapa, Makarau, Komakoriki, and Glorit	Weekly ..	Horse ..	J. Simcock ..	36 10 0	"
45	Kawakawa and Ruapekapeka	Weekly ..	Horse ..	A. Hislop ..	13 0 0	"
46	Kawakawa, Ohaeawai, Te Ahuahu, Okaihau, Utakura, and Horeke	Weekly ..	Coach ..	T. Knox ..	135 0 0	"
47	Kingsland Railway Station and Post Office ..	Daily ..	Foot ..	A. W. Page ..	8 0 0	"
48	Kuaotunu and Upper Kuaotunu	Four times weekly	Horse ..	F. A. Marshall ..	20 0 0	"
49	Mangapai, Ruarangi, and Waikiekie	Weekly ..	Horse ..	J. Babe ..	14 0 0	"
50	Mangapai Landing Service	As required ..	Horse ..	W. J. Harrison ..	10 0 0	"
51	Mangawai and Te Arai	Weekly ..	Horse ..	D. Bowmar ..	9 7 6	"
52	Mangonui, Oruru, Peria, Fairburn's, Kaitaia, Pukepoto, and Ahipara	Weekly ..	Coach ..	E. C. Matthews ..	75 0 0	"
53	Mangonui and Taipa	Weekly ..	Horse ..	Atama te Hara ..	10 0 0	"
54	Manurewa, Alfriston, and Brookby	Twice weekly ..	Horse ..	A. Tebbutt ..	18 0 0	"
55	Marsden Point, Ruakaka, and Waipu	Twice weekly ..	Coach ..	D. M. McLeod ..	50 0 0	"
56	Matakohe Landing Service	As required ..	Foot ..	R. Doonan ..	7 0 0	"
57	Maungakarama and Tangihua	Weekly ..	Horse ..	A. B. Miller ..	15 0 0	"
58	Maungaturoto and Waipu	Weekly ..	Horse ..	S. Taylor ..	13 0 0	"
59	Maungatawhiri and Maramarua	Weekly ..	Horse ..	J. Foote ..	12 0 0	"
60	Morrinsville and Kiwitahi	Twice weekly ..	Horse ..	A. Bremner ..	20 0 0	"

POSTAL DISTRICT OF AUCKLAND—continued.

No. of Service.	Service.	Frequency.	How performed.	Name of Contractor.	Annual Subsidy.	Date of Termination of Contract.
PERFORMED UNDER CONTRACT—continued.						
61	Mount Albert Railway Station and Post Office	Daily	Foot	I. Coburn	£ 10 0 0	31 Dec., 1899.
62	Ngaruawahia, Te Akatea, Waingarō, Waimai and Pe epe	Weekly	Horse	Nepia Matiaha	58 0 0	"
63	Ohaupo and Paterangi	Thrice weekly	Horse	H. Roche	20 0 0	"
64	Ohaupo and Pukerimu	Thrice weekly	Horse	A. J. Edwards	20 0 0	"
65	Ohaupo and Tuhikaramea	Thrice weekly	Horse	C. B. Vickers	19 15 0	"
66	Ohaeawai, Ngawha, Kaikohe, Punakitere, and Taheke	Weekly	Coach	J. W. Bindon	56 0 0	"
67	Ohaeawai, Waimate North, and Kerikeri	Weekly	Horse	Kawiri Teruru	36 0 0	"
68	Okaihau and Rangiahua	Weekly	Horse	W. E. Alexander	26 0 0	"
69	Omanaia, Oue, and Whirinaki	Weekly	Horse	H. Burr	14 10 0	"
70	Opononi, Omapere, Waiotemarama, and Kawerua	Weekly	Horse	N. C. Malcolm	30 0 0	"
71	Onehunga, Mangere, and Mangere Bridge	Daily	Horse	J. Griffiths	30 0 0	"
72	Onewhero and Wairamarama	Weekly	Horse	G. C. Baker	15 0 0	"
73	Ongarue and Nihoniho	Weekly	Horse	B. Lewis	15 0 0	"
74	Otahuhu Railway Station and Post Office	Twice daily	Horse	S. Fearnley	20 0 0	"
75	Otahuhu and East Tamaki	Daily	Horse	J. Allen	25 0 0	"
76	Opua and Waihaha	Weekly	Horse	M. Karena	12 10 0	"
77	Opuawhanga, Helena Bay, and Whangaruru	Weekly	Horse	Pakihī te Maru	20 0 0	"
78	Ohinewai Railway Station and Post Office	Twice weekly	Foot	W. Birss	9 0 0	"
79	Pahi and Paparua	Twice weekly	Horse	W. Davidson	18 5 0	"
80	Paparua and Mareretu	Weekly	Horse	B. J. Birt	14 10 0	"
81	Papakura, Ponga, and Hunua	Twice weekly	Horse	F. W. Stembridge	18 0 0	"
82	Papakura, Ardmore, and Clevedon	Daily	Spring-van	J. Graham	50 0 0	"
83	Pirongia, Harapipi, and Karamu	Twice weekly	Horse	W. Smith	20 0 0	"
84	Pirongia, Te Rau-a-Moa, and Kawhia	Weekly	Horse	J. G. Berry	47 0 0	"
85	Pokeno and Razorback	Thrice weekly	Horse	J. Brown	15 0 0	"
86	Pokeno, Pokeno Valley, and Maungatawhiri	Thrice weekly	Horse	S. H. Hamlin	26 0 0	"
87	Poroteru and Ongarue	Weekly	Horse	B. Lewis	15 0 0	"
88	Poroteru and Waotu	Twice weekly	Horse	J. Shirley	25 0 0	"
89	Port Albert and Wellsford	Weekly	Horse	W. Inger	10 5 0	"
90	Port Albert Post Office and Wharf	As required	Foot	T. Inger	4 10 0	"
91	Pukekohe and Pukekohe East	Twice weekly	Horse	J. Walker	8 19 0	"
92	Pukekohe and Puni	Twice weekly	Horse	H. Mead	12 10 0	"
93	Pukekohe, Patumahoe, Mauku, and Waiuku	Thrice weekly	Coach	Priest and Parker	34 10 0	"
94	Raglan, Te Mata, and Aotea	Weekly	Horse	R. Brown	26 0 0	"
95	Ramarama and Ararimu South	Weekly	Horse	M. H. McCabe	7 0 0	"
96	Rangiahua, Umawera, and Mangamuka	Weekly	Horse	Pipiriki Rakena	10 10 0	"
97	Rangiriri, Churchill, and Glen Murray	Twice weekly	Horse	Bridget Farrell	28 0 0	"
98	Rangiriri Railway Station and Post Office	Twice daily	Horse	Bridget Farrell	12 0 0	"
99	Rawene, Omanaia, and Waima	Weekly	Horse	J. H. Welsford	17 0 0	"
100	Rawene, Motukaraka, and Broadwood	Weekly	Horse	J. H. Dyer	19 0 0	"
101	Rotorua and Galatea	Weekly	Horse	Mika Aporo	52 0 0	"
102	Rotorua, Atiamuri, Wairakei, and Taupo	Twice weekly	Coach	E. Robertson & Co.	150 0 0	"
103	Rotorua Railway Station and Post Office	As required	Coach	E. Robertson & Co.	26 0 0	"
104	Russell Landing Service	As required	Boat	G. Poole	9 0 0	"
105	Tamahere and Tawhere	Thrice weekly	Horse	J. Shaw	24 0 0	"
106	Tauhoa and Wharehine	Weekly	Horse	T. Inger	12 0 0	"
107	Tauhoa and Mangakura	Weekly	Horse	A. H. Steventon	5 0 0	"
108	Taumarere Railway Station and Post Office	Twice weekly	Foot	Mary Tautari	10 0 0	"
109	Te Awamutu Railway Station and Pirongia	Daily	Coach	A. Conn	40 0 0	"
110	Te Awamutu Railway Station, Post Office, and Kihikihī	Daily	Coach	J. G. Elmsley	22 10 0	"
111	Te Awamutu Railway Station and Post Office	Daily	Coach	J. G. Elmsley	2 10 0	"
112	Te Kapa Landing Service	As required	Foot	T. Turner	14 0 0	"
113	Te Kopuru and Red Hill	Weekly	Horse	S. Dickson	12 0 0	"
114	Tirau and Tapapa	Weekly	Horse	F. D. R. Smale	12 0 0	"
115	Tokatoka Landing Service	As required	Horse	J. and J. Fitness	35 0 0	"
116	Tokatea, Omoho, and Kennedy's Bay	Twice weekly	Horse	B. Johnson	45 0 0	"
117	Towai and Marlow	Weekly	Horse	A. Christie	6 10 0	"
118	Tuakau and Onewhero	Twice weekly	Horse	W. Glasgow	18 0 0	"
119	Wade and Parakakau	Twice weekly	Horse	R. Brunton	14 0 0	"
120	Wade and Wangaparua	Weekly	Horse	R. Brunton	13 0 0	"
121	Waihou Railway Station and Post Office	Daily	Horse	L. B. Warren	13 0 0	"
122	Waima and Taheke	Weekly	Horse	H. Burr	5 15 0	"
123	Waimauku and Waikoukou	Twice weekly	Horse	J. Wilkins	5 0 0	"
124	Waiotemarama and Waimamaku	Weekly	Horse	F. Bracey	7 0 0	"
125	Wairangi Railway Station and Post Office	Thrice weekly	Horse	J. Lindsay	25 0 0	"
126	Wairangi and Matahuru	Weekly	Horse	K. D. Matchett	10 0 0	"
127	Waiuku, Maioro, and Port Waikato	Weekly	Horse	Priest and Parker	15 0 0	"
128	Waiuku, Waipipi, Kohekohe, and Pollok Settlement	Twice weekly	Horse	F. B. Morley	26 0 0	"
129	Waiuku and Packington	Weekly	Horse	Jane Mellsop	5 0 0	"
130	Waiwera and Upper Waiwera	Twice weekly	Horse	J. Crawford	12 0 0	"
131	Waiwera Landing Service	As required	Foot	J. E. Wallace	6 0 0	"
132	Warkworth, Kaipara Flats, and Tauhoa	Twice weekly	Horse	T. Inger	42 0 0	"
133	Warkworth, Matakana, Leigh, and Pakiri	Weekly	Horse	J. C. Wyatt	48 0 0	"
134	Warkworth, Lower Matakana, and Mullet Point	Weekly	Horse	J. W. Moore	12 19 6	"
135	Wellsford and Hoteo North	Weekly	Horse	J. Johnson	12 0 0	"
136	Wellsford, Kaiwaka, Pukekararo, Maungaturoto, Rowsell's, Paparua, and Matakoho	Weekly	Horse	W. J. Rowsell	125 0 0	"
137	Wellsford, North Albertland, and Te Arai	Weekly	Horse	H. Shepherd	30 0 0	"
138	Wellsford, Topuni Wharf, and Port Albert	Weekly	Horse	C. C. Gubb	7 10 0	"

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PERFORMED UNDER CONTRACT—continued.						
					£ s. d.	
139	Whakapara and Puhupuhi	Weekly ..	Horse ..	D. D. Lannan ..	12 0 0	31 Dec., 1899.
140	Whakapirau, Rowsell's, and Maungaturoto ..	Weekly ..	Horse ..	E. T. Avery ..	16 0 0	"
141	Whangarei and Mangapai	Weekly ..	Horse ..	S. Boyd ..	16 0 0	"
142	Whangarei, Whareora, Kiripaka	Twice weekly ..	Horse ..	Kerepeti te Peke ..	31 0 0	"
	And Ngunguru	Weekly ..				
143	Whangarei and Maungakaramea	Twice weekly ..	Horse ..	J. Anderson ..	22 0 0	"
144	Whangarei, Maungatapers, and Poroti ..	Weekly ..	Horse ..	S. Rawnsley ..	36 8 0	"
145	Whangarei Heads and Parua Bay	Twice weekly ..	Horse ..	D. McKenzie ..	31 4 0	"
146	Whangaroa and Kaeo	Weekly ..	Horse ..	Sarah Penny ..	15 17 6	"
147	Whangaroa Landing Service	As required ..	Boat ..	A. S. Ratcliffe ..	13 0 0	"
PERFORMED UNDER ARRANGEMENT WITH POSTMASTERS, ETC.						
1	Aoroa Post Office and Wharf	Twice weekly ..	Foot ..	H. Morris ..	*	
2	Aratapu Post Office and Wharf	As required ..	Foot ..	J. Stallworthy ..	*	
3	Babylon Post Office and Railway Station ..	As required ..	Foot ..	J. M. Blair ..	*	
4	Batley Post Office and Wharf	As required ..	Foot ..	W. N. Ewing ..	*	
5	Birkenhead Post Office and Wharf	As required ..	Foot ..	T. Smith ..	*	
6	Buckland Post Office and Railway Station ..	Daily ..	Foot ..	E. K. Barker ..	*	
7	Cabbage Bay Post Office and Wharf	As required ..	Foot ..	D. M. Jarvis ..	*	
8	Chelsea Post Office and Wharf	As required ..	Foot ..	F. Hubble ..	*	
9	Cowes Post Office and Steamer	As required ..	Boat ..	E. Parris ..	*	
10	Dargaville, landing mails	As required ..	Foot ..	A. Absolum ..	At per trip	
11	Gumtown Post Office and Steamer	As required ..	Foot ..	M. O'Connor ..	*	
12	Hobsonville Post Office and Steamer	Twice weekly ..	Foot ..	J. W. Sinton ..	*	
13	Hohoura Post Office and Steamer	As required ..	Foot ..	W. Evans ..	*	
14	Kaurihohore Post Office and Railway Station	Twice weekly ..	Foot ..	N. McKenzie ..	*	
15	Kimihia Post Office and Railway Station ..	Daily ..	Foot ..	J. Harrison ..	*	
16	Kokohou Post Office and Wharf	As required ..	Foot ..	W. Gilfillan ..	*	
17	Mamaku Post Office and Railway Station ..	5 times weekly	Foot ..	C. E. Kusabs ..	*	
18	Mangawai Post Office and Steamer	As required ..	Foot ..	Sara Bowmar ..	2s. per trip	
19	Mangawhare Post Office and Steamer	As required ..	Foot ..	A. Barclay ..	*	
20	Maraetai Post Office and Steamer	As required ..	Foot ..	A. Williams ..	*	
21	Maropu Post Office and Railway Station ..	Twice weekly ..	Foot ..	J. F. Austin ..	*	
22	Marsden Point Post Office and Steamer ..	As required ..	Foot ..	J. Munro ..	*	
23	Matamata Post Office and Railway Station	Daily ..	Foot ..	E. Brown ..	*	
24	Mititai Post Office and Steamer	As required ..	Foot ..	T. Kitching ..	*	
25	Newstead Post Office and Railway Station ..	Daily ..	Foot ..	P. Delaney ..	*	
26	Northcote Post Office and Steamer	Daily ..	Foot ..	H. Lepper ..	*	
27	Okoroire Post Office and Railway Station ..	Daily ..	Foot ..	L. Callaghan ..	*	
28	Okupu Post Office and Steamer	As required ..	Foot ..	E. Springall ..	*	
29	Omapere Post Office and Steamer	As required ..	Foot ..	J. J. Maxwell ..	At per trip	
30	Opononi Post Office and Wharf	As required ..	Foot ..	B. G. Howe ..	*	
31	Opua Post Office and Wharf	As required ..	Foot ..	A. T. Pycroft ..	*	
32	Papatoitai Post Office and Railway Station	Daily ..	Foot ..	C. Hogan ..	*	
33	Paradise Post Office and Steamer	Twice weekly ..	Foot ..	W. Moore ..	*	
34	Parengarenga Post Office and Steamer ..	As required ..	Foot ..	S. Yates ..	*	
35	Piako Post Office and Railway Station ..	Daily ..	Foot ..	J. C. Allen ..	*	
36	Pine Island Post Office and Steamer	As required ..	Foot ..	A. G. Lees ..	*	
37	Poroterau Post Office and Railway Station	Twice weekly ..	Foot ..	B. Lewis ..	*	
38	Port Fitzroy Post Office and Steamer	As required ..	Foot ..	E. G. LeRoy ..	*	
39	Pouto Post Office and Steamer	As required ..	Foot ..	A. G. Allan ..	*	
40	Putiki Bay Post Office and Steamer	As required ..	Foot ..	J. B. Kennedy ..	*	
41	Rawene Post Office and Wharf	As required ..	Foot ..	T. L. Millar ..	*	
42	Riverhead Post Office and Wharf	As required ..	Foot ..	J. T. H. Postle- waight ..	*	
43	Scarrott's Post Office and Steamer	As required ..	Foot ..	F. Marriner ..	*	
44	Swanson Post Office and Railway Station ..	Daily ..	Foot ..	J. P. Sinclair ..	*	
45	Tairua Post Office and Steamer	As required ..	Foot ..	H. A. Simpson ..	*	
46	Tangihua Post Office and Steamer	As required ..	Foot ..	T. Watson ..	*	
47	Tangowahine Post Office and Steamer	As required ..	Foot ..	P. Langton ..	*	
48	Taupaki Post Office and Railway Station ..	Daily ..	Foot ..	D. Russell ..	*	
49	Te Kao Post Office and Steamer	As required ..	Foot ..	F. Evans ..	*	
50	Tikinui Post Office and Steamer	As required ..	Foot ..	P. Moloughney ..	*	
51	Totara North Post Office and Steamer ..	As required ..	Foot ..	T. M. Lane ..	*	
52	Tryphena Post Office and Steamer	As required ..	Foot ..	J. Blair ..	*	
53	Waharoa Post Office and Railway Station ..	Daily ..	Foot ..	M. A. Goodwin ..	*	
54	Waiapu Post Office and Steamer	As required ..	Foot ..	W. Sproule ..	*	
55	Waihopo Post Office and Steamer	As required ..	Foot ..	J. M. Tynan ..	*	
56	Waikomiti Post Office and Railway Station	Daily ..	Foot ..	J. Hibbs ..	5 0 0	
57	Waimamaku and Wekaweka	Weekly ..	Horse ..	M. A. Drewett ..	*	
58	Waimauku Post Office and Railway Station	Daily ..	Foot ..	Mary White ..	*	
59	Waitakerei Post Office and Railway Station	Daily ..	Foot ..	M. Noble ..	*	
60	Waiwaka Post Office and Railway Station ..	Thrice weekly ..	Foot ..	E. D. Hunt ..	*	
61	Warkworth Post Office and Wharf	As required ..	Foot ..	C. A. Wells ..	*	
62	Whakapara Post Office and Railway Station	Weekly ..	Foot ..	R. H. Harrison ..	*	
63	Whakapirau Post Office and Steamer	As required ..	Foot ..	H. Swallow ..	*	
64	Whangamata Post Office and Steamer	As required ..	Foot ..	G. Skeen ..	*	
65	Whangarata Post Office and Railway Station	Daily ..	Foot ..	F. H. Brown ..	*	
66	Whangarei Post Office and Railway Station	As required ..	Foot ..	C. Nicholas ..	At per trip	
67	Whitianga Post Office and Wharf	As required ..	Foot ..	E. J. White ..	At per trip	
68	Whitianga Post Office and Gum Town	As required ..	Launch ..	E. J. White ..	£1 per month	
69	Woodhill Post Office and Railway Station ..	Thrice weekly ..	Foot ..	E. A. Pengally ..	*	

* Payment included in salary.

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SEA SERVICES.						
					£ s. d.	
1	Auckland and Devonport	Thrice daily ..	Steamer ..	G. G. Blandford ..	60 0 0	31 Dec., 1899.
2	Auckland and Great Barrier	Weekly ..	Steamer ..	Northern Steamship Co.	250 0 0	"
3	Dargaville, Paradise, Tangowahine, and Tangihua	Weekly ..	Steamer ..	Northern Union Steamboat Co.	75 0 0	"
4	Helensville, Batley, Pahi, and Matakoho ..	Weekly ..	Steamer ..	Northern Union Steamboat Co.	500 0 0	"
5	Helensville, Pouto, Tikinui, Scarrott's, Tokatoka, Tekopuru, Aratapu, Mititai, Aoroa, Mangawhara, and Dargaville	Twice weekly ..	Steamer ..			
6	Horeke, Kohukohu, Rawene, Waitapu, and Opononi	Weekly ..	Steamer ..	J. C. Bindon ..	148 10 0	"
7	Russell and Opua	Twice weekly ..	Steamer ..	J. Deery ..	90 0 0	"
8	Whangaroa and Totara North	Weekly ..	Boat ..	G. J. Andrews ..	25 0 0	"

POSTAL DISTRICT OF THAMES.

PERFORMED UNDER CONTRACT.						
1	Opotiki and Waitohi	Weekly ..	Horse ..	J. H. Parkinson ..	13 0 0	31 Dec., 1899.
2	Opotiki, Torere, Omaio, Te Kaha, and Raukokore	Fortnightly ..	Horse ..	Kemara Tapeta ..	40 0 0	"
3	Paeroa and Waitekauri	Daily ..	2-horse coach	T. Gordon ..	40 0 0	"
4	Paeroa, Karangahake, Owharoa, Waikino, and Waihi	Daily ..	4-horse coach	D. Campbell ..	70 0 0	"
5	Paeroa Post Office and Railway Station, and steamers at wharves	As required ..	Spring-cart or buggy	M. Munro ..	20 0 0	"
6	Paeroa Post Office and steamers at Junction	As required ..	Buggy ..	M. Munro ..	30 0 0	"
7	Tauranga, Oropi, and Rotorua	Weekly ..	Buggy ..	F. Mahoney ..	60 0 0	"
8	Tauranga Post Office and the wharves	As required ..	Spring-cart ..	G. R. Musgrave ..	13 19 0	"
9	Tauranga, Te Puke, and Rotorua	Twice weekly ..	4-horse coach	E. Robertson & Co.	250 0 0	"
10	Te Aroha and Waiorongomai	Daily ..	Buggy ..	E. & J. Smardon	20 0 0	"
11	Te Aroha Post Office and Railway Station ..	As required ..	Buggy ..	E. Gallagher ..	14 0 0	"
12	Te Aroha, Waiorongomai, Shaftesbury, and Gordon	Twice weekly ..	Buggy ..	E. & J. Smardon	35 0 0	"
13	Te Puke and Maketu	Twice weekly ..	Buggy ..	Morehu ..	16 0 0	"
14	Te Puke, Pongakawa, Matata, Whakatane, Ohiwa, and Opotiki	Twice weekly ..	Horse ..	John Kelly ..	240 0 0	"
15	Thames Chief Post Office and the wharves ..	As required ..	Spring-cart ..	C. Short ..	32 10 0	"
16	Thames, Kaiawa, and Miranda	Weekly ..	Boat and horse	C. Rolton ..	24 18 0	"
17	Thames, Parawai, Kopu, Kirikiri, Puriri, Hikutaia, and Paeroa	Daily ..	4-horse coach	J. W. Rickit ..	160 0 0	"
18	Thames, Waiomio, and Tapu	Thrice weekly	Coach ..	J. Hawkes ..	40 0 0	"
19	Waihi, Athenree, Katikati, Aongatete, and Tauranga	Twice weekly ..	4-horse coach	A. C. Gilman ..	94 0 0	"
20	Waitekauri and Golden Cross	Four times weekly	Horse ..	P. Thom ..	25 0 0	"
PERFORMED UNDER ARRANGEMENT WITH POSTMASTERS, ETC.						
1	Thames, landing and shipping mails	As required ..	Foot ..	F. Arns ..	10 0 0	
2	Thames, delivering letters at Kuranui and Tararu	Once daily ..	Foot ..	E. Hodge ..	38 0 0	
3	Waitekauri, clearing letter-receiver	Daily ..	Foot ..	A. Gordon ..	5 0 0	
4	Whakatane and Te Teko	Weekly ..	Horse ..	Himiona ..	15 0 0	
5	Whakatane, Taneatua, and Ruatoki	Weekly ..	Horse ..	Te Purewa ..	15 0 0	

POSTAL DISTRICT OF GISBORNE.

PERFORMED UNDER CONTRACT.						
1	Gisborne and Morerere, <i>via</i> Moss Side ..	Weekly ..	Horse ..	J. Dixon ..	60 0 0	31 Dec., 1899.
2	Gisborne and Muriwai, <i>via</i> Matawhero and Te Arai Bridge	Thrice weekly	Coach ..	J. Dixon ..	35 0 0	"
3	Gisborne and Ormond, <i>via</i> Makaraka and Waerangahika	Daily ..	Coach ..	E. C. Whitlock ..	35 0 0	"
4	Gisborne and Patutahi	Thrice weekly	Coach ..	Mrs. M. A. Stevens	20 0 0	"
5	Gisborne and Tolaga Bay, <i>via</i> Pakarae and Hauiti	Twice weekly ..	Coach ..	W. McKinlay ..	95 0 0	"
6	Gisborne and Waimata Valley	Weekly ..	Horse ..	C. Leggett ..	26 0 0	"
7	Gisborne and Wairoa, <i>via</i> Waerangaokuri, Tiniroto, Marumaru, and Frasertown	Weekly ..	Horse*	J. Finucane ..	90 0 0	"
8	Gisborne and Whatatutu, <i>via</i> Te Karaka ..	Weekly ..	Express ..	T. J. Brosnahan, jr.	44 0 0	"
9	Ormond and Motu, <i>via</i> Poututu and Whakaraui	Weekly ..	Horse ..	W. Carron ..	58 0 0	"
10	Port Awanui and Hicks Bay, <i>via</i> Rangitukia and Te Araroa	Fortnightly ..	Horse ..	E. H. Henderson	32 10 0	"
11	Tolaga Bay and Port Awanui, <i>via</i> Tokomaru Bay, Waipiro Bay, and Tuparoa	Weekly ..	Horse ..	W. McKinlay ..	89 0 0	"
PERFORMED UNDER ARRANGEMENT, ETC.						
1	Wharf and Vessels in Harbour	As required ..	Steam-launch	Union Steam Ship Company	50 0 0	

* By trap when necessary.

POSTAL DISTRICT OF NAPIER.

No. of Service.	Service.	Frequency.	How performed.	Name of Contractor.	Annual Subsidy.	Date of Termination of Contract.
PERFORMED UNDER CONTRACT.					£ s. d.	
1	Dannevirke Post Office and Railway Station	As required	Express	J. A. Burmester	60 0 0	31 Dec., 1899.
2	Dannevirke and Herbertville, via Waipatiki, Weber, Ti-tree Point, and Wimbledon	Weekly	Coach	T. M. Mills	80 0 0	"
3	Fraserton and Clive	Twice daily	Foot	T. Jeffcoat	25 0 0	"
4	Fraserton and Waikaremoana	Weekly	Horse	T. Palmer	40 0 0	"
5	Hastings and Havelock North	Twice daily	Coach	J. Cooper	40 0 0	"
6	Hastings and Maraekakaho	Daily	Coach	F. Nugent	60 0 0	"
7	Hastings and Waimarama	Weekly	Horse	J. Sutherland	65 0 0	"
8	Kaikora North and Te Apiti, via Patangata and Mangakuri	Twice weekly	Coach	J. G. Grant	70 0 0	"
9	Maraekakaho and Kereru	Twice weekly	Wheeled conveyance	F. Nugent	37 0 0	"
10	Napier and Eskdale, via Spit, Western Spit, and Petane	Daily	Coach	J. T. Harvey	40 0 0	"
11	Napier and Fernhill, via Greenmeadows and Taradale	Daily	Coach	G. Rymer	45 0 0	"
12	Napier and Moawhango, via Puketapu, Waikonini, and Kuripapango	Weekly	Coach	G. Rymer	99 0 0	"
13	Napier and Puketapu	Daily	Vehicle	M. E. Brooks	20 0 0	"
14	Napier and Puketitiri, via Rissington	Twice weekly	Coach and pack-horse	A. McIntyre	85 0 0	"
15	Napier and Taradale, via Meeanee	Daily	Coach	G. Rymer	55 0 0	"
16	Napier and Taupo, via Pohui and Tarawera	Weekly	Coach	Crowther and McCauley	350 0 0	"
17	Napier and Wairoa, via Mohaka and Turiroa	Weekly	Horse	H. Arnott	85 0 0	"
18	Napier Post Office and Railway Station; and for sea-mails between Napier and Spit, and between the Breakwater and the Post Offices at Spit and Napier	As required	Wheeled conveyance	Mahony & Sons	175 0 0	"
	Also Napier and Spit Post Offices	Twice daily	Wheeled conveyance			
	And clearing the letter-receivers, and delivering the correspondence from them at the Chief Post Office	Twice daily	Horse			
19	Ongaonga and Blackburn	Twice weekly	Horse	J. D. Reid	30 0 0	"
20	Ongaonga and Wakarara	Twice weekly	Horse	A. Barlow	23 0 0	"
21	Ormondville and Norsewood, via South Norsewood	Daily	Coach	C. Schmidt	18 0 0	"
22	Ormondville and Whetukura	Twice weekly	Horse	W. Lucas	7 11 6	"
23	Takapau and Makaretu, via Ashley-Clinton	Thrice weekly	Coach	J. Rasmussen	65 0 0	"
24	Taupo and Tokaanu	Once and twice weekly*	Coach or buggy and steamer	Crowther and McCauley	125 0 0	"
25	Waipawa and Blackhead, via Tamumu and Pourerere	Twice weekly	Coach	J. G. Grant	70 0 0	"
26	Waipawa and Ongaonga	Thrice weekly	Coach	J. Brinson	25 0 0	"
27	Waipawa and Tikokino	Thrice weekly	2-horse express	J. McIntyre	36 0 0	"
28	Waipukurau and Herbertville, via Wanstead, Wallingford, Porangahau, and Wimbledon	Twice weekly	4-horse coach and pack-horse	P. Neilsen	104 0 0	"
29	Wairoa and Frasertown	Twice weekly	Horse	A. Gethin	14 0 0	"
30	Wairoa and Morere, via Nuhaka and Mahia	Weekly	Horse	A. Gethin	75 0 0	"
31	Wairoa and Wahanui, via Turiroa	Weekly	Pack-horse	F. R. Whur	20 0 0	"
32	Woodville and Kumeroa	Thrice weekly	Vehicle	C. McKay	36 0 0	"
PERFORMED UNDER ARRANGEMENT WITH POSTMASTERS, ETC.						
1	Dannevirke and Mangatoro Valley	Weekly	Horse	T. Smith	10 0 0	
2	Dannevirke and Weber, via Waipatiki	Weekly	Coach†	T. M. Mills	5 0 0	
3	Letter-carriers' delivery at Spit	Daily	Foot	W. Hunt	15 13 0	
4	Maharashtra and Maharashtra East	Thrice weekly	Horse or foot	G. W. Grainger	9 0 0	
5	Maharashtra West, Maharashtra, and Matahiwi Railway Station	Thrice weekly	Horse or foot	J. Chadwick	25 0 0	
6	Wairoa and vessels in roadstead, Wairoa when bar unworkable	As required	Surf-boat and launch	A. Davidson	10s. per trip	
7	Weber and the Camp, Akiteo River	Weekly	Pack-horse	Ryan and Lawliss	17 10 0	

* Weekly from 1st May to 31st December; twice weekly from 1st January to 30th April. † Performed by horse in winter.

POSTAL DISTRICT OF NEW PLYMOUTH.

PERFORMED UNDER CONTRACT.						
1	Inglewood, Tarata, and Purangi	Thrice weekly to Tarata, twice weekly to Purangi	Coach where possible; if not, horse	J. P. Clifford	60 0 0	31 Dec., 1899.
2	New Plymouth Chief Post Office and Railway Station	As required	Cart	J. W. West	60 0 0	"
3	New Plymouth, Omata, Oakura, Okato, Puniho, Pungarehu, Rahotu, Oaonui, and Opunake; and Opunake, Pihama, Otakeho, Manaia, and Hawera	Thrice weekly	4-horse coach	J. Vile	300 0 0	"
4	Stratford and Toko	Daily	Coach	J. Hewer	90 0 0	"

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PERFORMED UNDER CONTRACT—continued.						
5	Toko, Strathmore, Pohokura, and Wangamomona	Weekly	Horse	J. Hewer	£ 115 0 0	31 Dec., 1899.
6	Urenui, Pukearuhe, Tongaporutu, Mokau, and Awakino	Twice weekly	Horse	T. Thompson	160 0 0	"
7	Waitara and Urenui	Thrice weekly	Coach	W. A. Jury	20 0 0	"
8	Waitara Post Office, Railway Station, Wharves, and Beach	As required	Cart	J. Ormond	15 0 0	"
PERFORMED UNDER ARRANGEMENT WITH POSTMASTERS, ETC.						
1	Huirangi Post Office and Sentry Hill Railway Station	Weekly	Horse	J. Andrews	8 0 0	
2	Lepperton Post Office and Railway Station	Daily	Horse	J. T. Campbell	*	
3	New Plymouth and Egmont Village	Twice weekly	Coach	J. Tarry	5 0 0	
4	New Plymouth and Fitzroy	Daily	Horse	J. B. Roberts	*	
5	New Plymouth, landing and shipping mails	As required		Harbour Board	60 0 0	
6	Receiving and despatching mails at Breakwater, and reporting shipping	As required		Railway Department	20 0 0	
7	Stratford and Cardiff	Thrice weekly	Horse	G. Collingwood	19 10 0	
8	Stratford, Palmer Road, and Rowan	Twice weekly	Horse	W. A. Pearce	..	
9	Toko and Huiroa	Weekly	Horse	M. Kerrisk	10 0 0	
10	Urenui and Uruti Road	Weekly	Horse	C. N. Rowe	13 0 0	
11	Waitara and Tikorangi	Twice weekly	Horse	H. Faul	*	

* Payment included in salary.

POSTAL DISTRICT OF WANGANUI.

PERFORMED UNDER CONTRACT.						
1	Bull's and Greatford	Thrice daily	Coach	D. Coughlin	70 0 0	31 Dec., 1899.
2	Eltham, Mangatoki, Kaponga, and Awatuna	Daily	Coach	R. Higginson	70 0 0	"
3	Fordell, Kauangaroa, and Mangamahu	Thrice weekly	Horse and trap	E. A. Young	85 0 0	"
4	Hawera, Manaia, Otakeho, Pihama, and Opunake (see No. 2 under New Plymouth).	As required	Express	F. C. Faber	54 0 0	"
5	Hunterville, Paraekaretu, Otaeri, Turakina River, Junction Fordell Road, and Manga-hoe Valley	Twice weekly	Horse	D. McLauchlan	50 0 0	"
6	Hunterville, Pukio, Watershed Road, Mangamako, and Sandon Block	Twice weekly	Horse	D. McLauchlan	48 0 0	"
7	Makirikiri and Aberfeldie	Twice weekly	Horse	G. Allen	22 0 0	"
8	Manaia, Kapuni, and Kaponga	Thrice weekly	Horse	D. Kehely	15 0 0	"
9	Mangamahu and Ingram's Homestead, returning via Wangaehu Valley Road (delivering correspondence into boxes and clearing same en route)	Weekly	Horse	F. D. Allen	60 0 0	"
10	Mangaonoho, via Watershed Road, Lambert's, Murray's Track, to Palmerston Knights of Labour Block (Eriksen's) (delivering correspondence into boxes and clearing same en route)	Twice weekly	Horse	J. C. Munro	50 0 0	"
11	Marton, Cliff Line, Leedstown, Log-Whare, and Mount Curl	Twice weekly	Horse	W. A. Carter	50 0 0	"
12	Marton, Porewa School, Symond's Corner to McCrea's, Tokorangi Hill (delivering correspondence into boxes and clearing same en route)	Twice weekly	Horse	W. A. Carter	38 0 0	"
13	Marton Post Office and Railway Station	As required	Coach	C. J. Gascoigne	40 0 0	"
14	Marton, Tutaenui, and Newman's Gate	Thrice weekly	Horse	W. A. Carter	48 0 0	"
15	Normanby and Okaiawa	Daily	Trap	B. Phillips	40 0 0	"
16	Ohingaiti and Mangaweka	Daily	Coach	P. J. McCann	30 0 0	"
17	Ohingaiti Post Office and Mangaonoho Railway Station	Twice daily	Coach	P. J. McCann	50 0 0	"
18	Patea Post Office and Railway Station	As required	Express	F. G. Sherwood	19 0 0	"
19	Turakina and Lowrie's, Turakina Valley	Twice weekly	Trap	A. Franklin	30 0 0	"
20	Waitotara, Kaimanuka, and Nga Mata Pouri	Weekly	Horse	A. W. Curry	45 0 0	"
21	Wanganui and Makirikiri	Daily	Coach	J. Allcock	42 10 0	"
22	Wanganui, Jerusalem, and Pipiriki	Twice and once weekly*	Steamer	A. Hatrick & Co.	350 0 0	24 May, 1901.
23	Wanganui Post Office and Railway Station	As required	Express	T. Hayes	80 0 0	31 Dec., 1899.
24	Wanganui Post Office and Wharf	As required	Express	Macfarlane & Son	20 0 0	"
25	Waverley Post Office and Railway Station	As required	Express	Macfarlane & Son	20 0 0	"
	Tokaanu and Waiouru	Twice and once weekly†	Coach	J. G. & W. A. Peters	124 0 0	31 Dec., 1898.
	Waiouru and Pipiriki				130 0 0	
	Waiouru and Mangaonoho				187 0 0	
	Te Horo and Mangaonoho					

* Twice weekly from 1st November to 31st March; weekly from 1st April to 31st October.

† Twice weekly, 1st November to 30th April; weekly, 1st May to 31st October.

POSTAL DISTRICT OF WANGANUI—continued.

No. of Service.	Service.	Frequency.	How performed.	Name of Contractor.	Annual Subsidy.	Date of Termination of Contract.
PERFORMED UNDER ARRANGEMENT WITH POSTMASTERS, ETC.						
					£ s. d.	
1	Brunswick Post Office and Railway Station	Daily ..	Trap ..	J. Guscott ..	35 0 0	
2	Clearing receiving-boxes in borough ..	Thrice daily ..	Bicycle ..	L. F. J. Wallis ..	20 0 0	
3	Hurleyville, Alton, and Ball Road Railway Station	Daily ..	Trap ..	P. Hurley ..	45 0 0	
4	Kakaramea Post Office and Railway Station	Daily ..	Foot ..	Margaret G. Snelling	25 0 0	
5	Manutahi Post Office and Railway Station	Daily ..	Trap ..	A. Muggeridge ..	20 0 0	
6	Manutahi, Whakamara, Mere Mere, and Mokoia Blocks	Twice weekly ..	Trap ..	A. Muggeridge ..	25 0 0	
7	Marton Post Office and Crofton	Thrice weekly	Horse ..	J. Green ..	15 0 0	
8	Maxwelltown Post Office, Okehu Railway Station	Daily ..	Horse ..	A. Goldsbury ..	25 0 0	
9	Silverhope Post Office and Railway Station	Daily ..	Foot ..	J. W. Sandall ..	*	
10	Te Roti Post Office and Railway Station ..	Daily ..	Foot ..	W. A. Cleaver ..	10 0 0	
11	Waitotara Post Office and Momahaki ..	Thrice weekly	Horse ..	W. H. Cox ..	20 0 0	
12	Waitotara Post Office and Railway Station, delivering telegrams, and assisting in office	As required ..	Horse ..	A. E. Coomber ..	40 0 0	
13	Wangaehu Post Office and Railway Station	Daily ..	Horse ..	M. A. Hillier ..	10 0 0	
14	Whenuakura Post Office and Railway Station	Daily ..	Horse ..	Clara Roulston ..	15 0 0	

* Payment included in salary.

POSTAL DISTRICT OF WELLINGTON.

PERFORMED UNDER CONTRACT.						
1	Alfredton and Waterfalls	Weekly ..	Horse ..	A. Burling ..	30 0 0	31 Dec., 1899.
2	Apiti and Fowler's	Daily ..	Cart ..	E. F. Eagar ..	52 0 0	"
3	Ashurst Post Office and Railway Station ..	4 times daily ..	Coach ..	D. Enright ..	58 10 0	"
	Ashurst, Raumai, and Pohangina ..	Thrice weekly ..	Horse ..			
	Pohangina, Komako and Salisbury, Upper Pohangina	Twice weekly ..	Horse ..			
4	Bull's, Sanson, Rongotea, Carnarvon, Scott's Ferry, Mahi, Parawanui and Bull's Bull's and Sanson	Daily ..	Coach ..	C. Lumsden ..	175 0 0	"
		Twice daily ..				
5	Carterton and Gladstone, <i>via</i> Parkvale ..	Daily ..	Horse ..	M. E. Grant ..	50 0 0	31 Dec., 1897.
6	Carterton and Waihakeke	Twice weekly ..	Horse ..	E. Warrington ..	16 10 0	31 Dec., 1899.
7	Carterton Post Office and Railway Station	As required ..	Coach ..	D. Sullivan ..	40 0 0	"
8	Colyton, Wanganui Harbour Board Block, <i>via</i> Aritiki School, Finnis's Road, and Taonui Road	Thrice weekly	Horse ..	S. Kirk ..	25 0 0	"
9	Eketahuna and Pahiatua, <i>via</i> Kaitawa, Rongomai, and Tane	Thrice weekly	Coach ..	Harding Bros. ..	60 0 0	"
10	Eketahuna and Woodville	Daily ..	Coach ..	J. Vile ..	20 0 0	"
11	Eketahuna and Nireaha, <i>via</i> Parkville ..	Twice weekly ..	Horse ..	J. Nicholls ..	26 0 0	"
12	Eketahuna, Tawataia and Alfredton ..	Daily ..	Coach ..	Harding Bros. ..	54 0 0	"
	And Pleckville	Thrice weekly ..				
13	Featherston, Te Maire, and Walker's Gate, Kahautara	Twice weekly ..	Horse ..	Tait and Cox ..	35 0 0	"
14	Featherston and Tauherinikau	Thrice weekly ..	Trap ..	A. M. Wilkinson ..	15 0 0	"
15	Featherston and Martinborough	Daily ..	Coach ..	J. Donnelly ..	20 0 0	"
16	Featherston and Wangaimoana	Twice weekly ..	Coach ..	H. Harrison ..	78 0 0	"
17	Feilding and Colyton	Daily ..	Coach ..	S. Kirk ..	30 0 0	"
18	Feilding, Awahuri, and Rongotea ..	Daily ..	Coach ..	J. I. Marshall ..	40 0 0	"
19	Feilding, Cheltenham, Kiwitea, and Fowler's	Daily ..	Coach ..	A. Laing ..	40 0 0	"
20	Feilding, Cheltenham, Kiwitea, and Fowler's	Daily ..	Coach ..	S. Daw ..	60 0 0	"
21	Feilding, Makino, Glenwood, Waituna West And Cunningham's	Daily ..	Coach ..	B. Poole ..	49 0 0	"
		Thrice weekly ..				
22	Fowler's and Rangiwahia	Thrice weekly	Coach ..	J. R. Temperley ..	60 0 0	"
23	Foxton and Levin	Daily ..	Coach ..	J. R. Stansell ..	50 0 0	"
24	Foxton and Shannon	Daily ..	Coach ..	J. E. Barham ..	60 0 0	"
25	Gladstone, Wainuioru, and Craigie Lee ..	Weekly ..	Horse ..	A. Douglas ..	39 0 0	"
26	Greytown North Post Office and Railway Station	As required ..	Brake ..	C. Rogers ..	28 0 0	"
27	Halcombe and Stanway	Daily (Saturdays excepted)	Horse ..	C. T. Callingham	20 0 0	"
28	Homewood, Flat Point, and Glenburn ..	Twice weekly	Horse ..	Waipuka Kingi ..	35 0 0	"
29	Hutt Railway Station and Taita	Twice daily ..	Coach ..	G. & W. T. Cudby	50 0 0	"
30	Johnsonville and Ohariu	Twice weekly ..	Horse ..	T. Bassett ..	20 0 0	"
31	Karori and Makara	Twice weekly ..	Horse ..	W. H. Moxham ..	18 0 0	"
32	Makuri and Coonor	Weekly ..	Horse ..	E. E. Tucker ..	30 0 0	"
33	Makuri, Rakaunui, and Pongaroa	Weekly ..	Horse ..	E. E. Tucker ..	52 0 0	"
34	Mangahao, Makomako, and Nikau	Twice weekly ..	Horse or trap	T. H. Pratt ..	25 0 0	"
34A	Masterton and Homewood	Twice weekly ..	Coach & horse	T. W. Miller, S. Forman, G. R. Bennison, J. K. Blinkhorne	82 15 0	"
35	Martinborough and East Coast	Weekly ..	Horse ..	E. J. Ussher ..	25 0 0	"
36	Martinborough and Lower Pahaua	Weekly ..	Horse ..	E. J. Ussher ..	35 0 0	"
37	Masterton and Glendonald	Twice weekly ..	Brake ..	W. A. Cameron ..	24 0 0	"
38	Masterton and Kuripuni	Daily ..	Coach ..	D. Heggie ..	10 0 0	"
39	Masterton and Railway Station	As required ..	Coach ..	D. Heggie ..	30 0 0	"
40	Masterton, Taueru, and Brancepeth	Weekly ..	Coach ..	T. W. Miller, S. Forman, G. R. Bennison, & J. K. Blinkhorne	20 15 0	"

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PERFORMED UNDER CONTRACT— <i>continued.</i>					£ s. d.	
41	Masterton, Taueru, Te Nui, and Whakataki	Thrice weekly	Coach	T. W. Miller, S. Forman, G. R. Bennisson, & J. K. Blinkhorne	156 0 0	31 Dec., 1899.
42	Mauriceville, Ihuraua Valley, and Wairere	Twice weekly ..	Coach	N. Jensen ..	15 0 0	30 Sept., 1897.
43	Otaki Post Office and Railway Station ..	As required ..	Coach	C. Bell ..	26 0 0	31 Dec., 1899.
44	Pahiatua and Woodville Railway Station ..	Daily (one way)	Coach	J. Vile ..	8 0 0	"
45	Pahiatua, Kohinui, and Makairo ..	Twice weekly ..	Horse	W. Hull ..	24 0 0	"
46	Pahiatua, Ngaturi, and Makuri ..	Daily ..	Coach	W. H. McPhail ..	50 0 0	"
47	Pahiatua, Scarborough, Mangahao, and Balance	Thrice weekly	Coach	B. Budden ..	28 0 0	"
48	Palmerston North and Railway Station ..	As required ..	Brake	J. Miller ..	60 0 0	"
49	Paremata and Pahautanui ..	Daily ..	} Brake	A. Nicol ..	14 0 0	"
	And Judgeford ..	Thrice weekly ..				
50	Rangiwahia and Ruahine ..	Twice weekly ..	Horse	T. Moffatt ..	15 12 0	31 Dec., 1897.
51	Rongotea and Taikorea ..	Twice weekly ..	Horse	W. H. Mathers ..	20 0 0	31 Dec., 1899.
52	Waituna West and Pakihikura ..	Weekly ..	Horse	J. W. Ranson ..	20 0 0	"
53	Waituna West and Tapuae ..	Weekly ..	Horse	J. W. Ranson ..	15 0 0	"
54	Wellington and Karori ..	Twice daily ..	Horse	W. H. Moxham ..	45 0 0	"
55	Wellington Post Office, Wharves, and Railway Stations, and Branch Post Offices, &c.	As required ..	Expresses	J. Thomas ..	373 0 0	"
56	Whakataki and Castlepoint ..	Thrice weekly ..	Coach	T. W. Miller, S. Forman, G. R. Bennisson, J. K. Blinkhorne	18 10 0	"
57	Whakataki and Herbertville ..	Weekly ..	Horse	E. Christian ..	88 0 0	"
58	Woodville and Pahiatua ..	Twice daily ..	Coach	J. Vile ..	32 0 0	"
59	Woodville and Railway Station ..	As required ..	Coach	O. Somerville ..	12 0 0	"
PERFORMED UNDER ARRANGEMENT WITH POSTMASTERS, ETC.						
1	Alfredton and Pori ..	Weekly ..	Horse	F. P. Nelson ..	10 0 0	"
2	Bunnythorpe and Hiwinui ..	Twice weekly ..	Horse	T. Rowling ..	*	"
3	Clareville and Railway Station ..	Daily ..	Foot	J. T. McHarg ..	*	"
4	Daily delivery of letters at Karori by subsidised carrier	Daily ..	Horse	W. F. Newcombe	15 0 0	"
5	Dalefield and Railway Station ..	Twice daily ..	Foot	S. A. Dumbleton	*	"
6	Dreyerton and Railway Station ..	Daily ..	Foot	Agnes Franklin ..	5 0 0	"
7	Greytown North and Morrison's Bush	Thrice weekly	Horse	Mary A. Waite ..	25 0 0	"
8	Hutt and Wainuiomata ..	Twice weekly ..	Horse	J. Hore ..	40 0 0	"
9	Levin and Railway Station ..	Thrice daily ..	Horse	H. E. Bowen ..	20 0 0	"
10	Mangamahoe and Hastwell's ..	Thrice weekly	Horse	J. P. Hansen ..	12 0 0	"
11	Mauriceville and Railway Station ..	Daily ..	Foot	G. Gunderson ..	20 0 0	"
12	Ohau and Railway Station ..	Daily ..	Foot	S. A. Wilson ..	*	"
13	Palmerston North and Terrace End	Daily ..	Horse	F. H. Mowlem ..	7 10 0	"
14	Pemberton and Hinau ..	Thrice weekly	Horse	J. Derolles ..	12 0 0	"
15	Silverstream and Railway Station ..	Daily ..	Trap	S. Menzies ..	15 0 0	"
16	Waikanae and Reikorangi ..	Thrice weekly	Cart	G. E. Hall ..	10 0 0	"
17	Wellington and Worser Bay ..	Daily ..	Cart	R. A. Hearn ..	..	"
18	Wellington parcels delivery throughout city	Twice daily ..	Express	H. E. Scott ..	2d. per parcel	"
SEA SERVICE.						
1	Wellington, Hikoekoa, Akaloa, Ketu Bay Brightlands, †Fern Flat, †Beatrice Bay, †Hopai, Homewood, †North-west Bay, †Nydia Bay, Maori Bay, †Mahau Sound, and Havelock	Fortnightly ..	Steamer	J. S. Cross ..	180 0 0	31 Dec., 1899.

* Payment included in salary.

† Calling on return from Havelock only.

POSTAL DISTRICT OF BLENHEIM.

PERFORMED UNDER CONTRACT.						
1	Blenheim, Awatere, Kekerangu, and Kaikoura	Weekly ..	4-horse coach	D. McCallum ..	140 0 0	31 Dec., 1899.
2	Blenheim Chief Post Office, Railway Station, and Vessels at Wharves	As required ..	Horse and wheeled conveyance	J. T. Armstrong	45 0 0	"
3	Blenheim, from Tuamarina (calling at Robin Hood Bay, Ocean Bay) and Port Underwood	Weekly ..	Horse & foot	J. Harris ..	29 18 0	"
4	Blenheim, Renwicktown, Waihopai, and Wairau Valley	Twice weekly ..	2-horse coach	L. S. Fowler and W. Smith	55 0 0	"
5	Canvastown and Deep Creek ..	Twice weekly ..	Horse and wheeled conveyance	W. Picard ..	15 0 0	"
6	Havelock, Cullensville, Grove, and Grove Wharf	Twice weekly ..	Coach and 2 horses	T. Clancey ..	50 0 0	"
7	Havelock, Mahau, Maori Bay, North-west Bay, Homewood, Brightlands, Ketu Bay, and Hocquard's	Fortnightly ..	Steam-launch	H. Fisk ..	100 0 0	"
8	Kaikoura Post Office and Wharf ..	As required ..	Horse & trap	T. G. Whitty ..	15 0 0	31 Dec., 1898.

POSTAL DISTRICT OF BLENHEIM—*continued.*

No. of Service.	Service.	Frequency.	How performed.	Name of Contractor.	Annual Subsidy.	Date of Termination of Contract.
PERFORMED UNDER CONTRACT— <i>continued.</i>						
					£ s. d.	
9	Kaituna and Onamalutu	Twice weekly ..	Horse ..	J. Davies ..	13 0 0	31 Dec., 1899.
10	Kenepuru (Torea) and Manaroa	Twice weekly ..	Horse & boat ..	J. McAlpine ..	50 0 0	"
11	Picton, Dieffenbach, Te Awaite, and Endeavour Inlet	Weekly ..	Steam-launch ..	H. E. Norgrove ..	67 0 0	"
12	Picton, Grove, and Torea (for Kenepuru)	Twice weekly ..	Steam-launch ..	H. E. Norgrove ..	95 0 0	"
13	Tuamarina and Waikakaho	Weekly ..	Horse ..	J. Harris ..	13 0 0	"
PERFORMED UNDER ARRANGEMENT WITH POSTMASTERS, ETC.						
1	Blenheim and Springlands	Daily ..	Bicycle ..	H. Fisk ..	8 0 0	31 Dec., 1899.

POSTAL DISTRICT OF NELSON.

PERFORMED UNDER CONTRACT.						
1	Baton and Thorpe	Weekly ..	Horse ..	C. Price ..	16 0 0	31 Dec., 1899.
2	{ Belgrove and Inangahua Junction	Twice weekly ..	4-horse coach	Newman and Canning ..	1,300 0 0	"
	{ Westport and Reefton	Daily ..				
3	Brightwater and Waimea West	Daily ..	Horse ..	R. S. Millard ..	14 15 0	"
4	Collingwood and Ferntown	Weekly ..	Open boat ..	W. Scrimgeour ..	15 0 0	"
5	Collingwood Post Office and Wharf	As required ..	Foot ..	F. Taylor ..	4 10 0	"
6	Foxhill Post Office and Railway Station	Daily ..	Foot ..	A. J. Palmer ..	15 0 0	"
7	Hope Post Office and Railway Station	Daily ..	Foot ..	C. Balck ..	10 0 0	"
8	Motueka Wharf and Post Office, Motueka	As required ..	Express ..	J. D. Duncan ..	20 0 0	"
9	Motupiko, Tadmor, and Sherry River	Twice weekly ..	Sulky ..	D. Thomas ..	25 0 0	"
10	Nelson Chief Post Office and Railway Station	As required ..	Express ..	C. Tafner ..	25 0 0	"
11	Nelson Chief Post Office and the Port (Wharves)	As required ..	Express ..	C. Tafner ..	50 0 0	"
12	Nelson, Havelock, and Blenheim	Thrice weekly ..	4-horse coach ..	H. Newman ..	350 0 0	"
13	Ngatimote and Lower Moutere	Thrice weekly ..	Trap ..	A. Hunter ..	18 10 0	"
14	Richmond, Motueka, and Riwaka	Thrice weekly ..	2-horse coach, three when required ..	J. Hunt ..	180 0 0	"
15	Riwaka, Takaka, and Collingwood	Weekly ..	Horse ..	R. Fry ..	85 0 0	"
16	Spring Grove Post Office and Railway Station	Daily ..	Foot ..	J. W. Palmer ..	10 0 0	"
17	Stanley Brook and Wakefield	Twice weekly ..	Trap ..	W. J. Burrows ..	52 0 0	"
18	Stoke Post Office and Railway Station	Daily ..	Foot ..	J. Naylor ..	11 0 0	"
19	Takaka and East Takaka	As required ..	Horse ..	J. Reilly ..	15 0 0	"
20	Takaka and Motupipi	As required ..	Horse ..	J. Winter ..	9 0 0	"
21	Upper Moutere and Neudorf	Twice weekly ..	Horse ..	J. D. Beuke ..	6 0 0	"
22	Waitapu Wharf and Takaka Post Office	As required ..	Express ..	J. Reilly ..	10 0 0	"
PERFORMED UNDER ARRANGEMENT.						
1	Collingwood and Bainham	Weekly ..	Horse ..	G. W. Riley ..	5 0 0	
2	Collingwood and Parkeston	Weekly ..	Horse ..	G. W. Riley ..	10 0 0	
3	Ngatimote and Pokororo	Thrice weekly ..	Horse ..	T. Heath ..	10 0 0	
4	Nelson and Okiwi Bay	Weekly ..	Cutter ..	J. Johnson ..	20 0 0	
5	Nelson Chief Post Office and The Port Post Office	As required ..	Omnibus ..	J. Harle ..	15 0 0	
6	Wai-iti Post Office and Railway Station	Daily ..	Foot ..	E. F. White ..	6 0 0	
SEA SERVICE.						
1	Nelson, Motueka, Totaranui, Takaka (Wai-tapu), and Collingwood	Weekly ..	Steamer ..	J. C. Burford ..	125 0 0	31 Dec., 1899.

POSTAL DISTRICT OF WESTPORT.

PERFORMED UNDER CONTRACT.						
1	Brighton, St. Kilda, and Charleston	Weekly ..	Horse ..	S. Price ..	6 0 0	31 Dec., 1899.
2	Longford and Murchison	Twice weekly ..	1-horse trap ..	R. McNee ..	18 0 0	"
3	Murchison and Upper Matakitaiki	Weekly ..	3-horse trap ..	R. McNee ..	19 0 0	"
4	Westport, Addison's, and Charleston	Twice weekly ..	2-horse coach ..	C. Croawell ..	5 0 0	"
5	Westport and Giles Terrace	Weekly ..	1-horse trap ..	A. McGillivray ..	15 0 0	"
6	Westport and Vessels in Harbour and Railway Station	As required ..	1-horse express ..	A. Craddock ..	75 0 0	"
PERFORMED UNDER ARRANGEMENT WITH POSTMASTERS, ETC.						
1	Denniston and Burnett's Face	Daily ..	Foot ..	B. Gibson ..	20 0 0	
2	Capleston and Cronadon	Daily ..	Horse ..	D. Ferris ..	35 0 0	
3	Inangahua and Lyell	Weekly ..	2-horse buggy ..	Newman and Canning ..	52 0 0	
4	Lyell and Alpine Hill	Twice weekly ..	Foot ..	N. D. Mangos ..	10 0 0	
SEA SERVICES.						
1	Westport and Karamea	Fortnightly ..	Steamer ..	R. Johnson ..	200 0 0	31 Dec., 1899.
	Westport and Little Wanganui	Monthly ..				

POSTAL DISTRICT OF GREYMOUTH.

No. of Service.	Service.	Frequency.	How performed.	Name of Contractor.	Annual Subsidy.	Date of Termination of Contract.
PERFORMED UNDER CONTRACT.					£ s. d.	
1	Ahaura and Orwell Creek	Twice weekly ..	Coach ..	G. Haines ..	16 0 0	31 Dec., 1899.
2	Chief Post Office, Railway Station, and Wharves, and attending Steamers arriving and leaving at night	As required ..	Spring-cart ..	C. Rugg ..	40 0 0	"
3	Greymouth and Barrytown	Weekly ..	Packhorse ..	D. Ryall ..	80 0 0	"
4	Greymouth, Paroa, Rutherglen, Marsden, and Dunganville	Daily ..	Coach ..	A. Blair ..	80 0 0	"
5	Ikamatua and Little Grey Junction	Daily ..	Foot & horse ..	E. J. McInroe ..	12 0 0	"
6	Main Road and Blackwater	Twice weekly ..	Horse ..	J. McLennan ..	10 0 0	"
7	Mawheraiti and Antonio's Flat	Weekly ..	Foot ..	T. Low ..	11 0 0	"
8	Ngahere and Nelson Creek	Daily ..	Coach ..	J. H. Williams ..	20 0 0	"
9	No Town and Red Jack's	Weekly ..	Foot ..	W. Weir ..	8 0 0	"
10	Reefton Post Office and Railway Station	As required ..	Coach ..	W. Cochrane ..	25 0 0	"
11	Reefton, Progress Junction, and Merrijigs	Twice weekly ..	Horse ..	Margaret McAuley ..	15 0 0	"
12	Totara Flat, Granville, and Noble's	Twice weekly ..	Spring-cart ..	W. Young ..	24 0 0	"
13	Twelve-mile Landing and Notown	Thrice weekly ..	Horse ..	T. Mullins ..	14 15 0	"
PERFORMED UNDER ARRANGEMENT WITH POSTMASTERS, ETC.						
1	Atarau Post Office and Ahaura	Once weekly ..	Horse ..	R. Devereux ..	*	
2	Blackball Mine, Blackball, and Ngahere	Thrice weekly ..	Horse ..	T. Jolliffe ..	*	
3	Kokiri and Arnold	Twice weekly ..	Foot ..	J. Hinnegan ..	5 0 0	
4	Mawheraiti Post Office and Railway Station	Thrice weekly ..	Foot ..	A. Duncan ..	*	
5	Reefton, Black's Point, and Crushington	Daily ..	Spring-cart ..	J. W. Hodgson ..	6 10 0	
6	Teremakau Post Office and Railway Station	Twice weekly ..	Foot ..	N. Paulsen ..	5 0 0	

* Payment included in salary.

POSTAL DISTRICT OF HOKITIKA.

PERFORMED UNDER CONTRACT.						
1	Gillespie's Beach, Bruce Bay, Mahitahi, Paringa, Haast, Okura, Waitoto, and Jackson's Bay	Fortnightly ..	Pack-horse ..	M. and R. Power ..	73 0 0	31 Dec., 1899.
2	Hokitika and Fox's	Weekly ..	Spring-cart ..	G. Muller, jun. ..	12 0 0	"
3	Hokitika and Kanieri Forks	Twice weekly ..	Spring-cart ..	J. Kennedy ..	17 0 0	"
4	Hokitika Chief Post Office, Wharf, and Railway Station	As required ..	Spring-cart ..	D. Walker ..	24 0 0	"
5	Hokitika, Ho Ho, and Humphrey's	Twice weekly ..	Spring-cart ..	T. Harris ..	15 0 0	"
6	Hokitika, Lower Kokatahi, and Upper Kokatahi	Weekly ..	Spring-cart ..	R. Meharry ..	17 0 0	"
7	Kumara and Dillmanstown	Daily ..	Foot ..	N. Warren ..	20 0 0	"
8	Kumara, Goldsborough, Stafford, Three Mile, and Hokitika	Daily ..	Coach ..	J. Cameron ..	100 0 0	"
9	Kumara Post Office and Railway Station	As required ..	Coach ..	J. Rugg ..	65 0 0	"
10	Kumara, Westbrook, and Greenstone	Twice weekly ..	Spring-cart ..	W. Whitton ..	22 0 0	"
11	Ross, Ferguson's, Waitaha Ferry, Hende's Ferry, Wataroa, The Forks, Okarito, Wai-kukupa, and Gillespie's Beach	Weekly ..	Pack-horse ..	J. Adamson ..	148 0 0	"
12	Ross, Rimu, Woodstock, Kanieri, and Hokitika	Daily ..	Coach ..	J. Cameron ..	185 0 0	"
PERFORMED UNDER ARRANGEMENT WITH POSTMASTERS, ETC.						
1	Goldsborough and Callaghan's	Twice weekly ..	Foot ..	S. R. Honey ..	*	
2	Hokitika and Koiterangi	Weekly ..	Spring-trap ..	J. M. Dimmick ..	*	
SEA SERVICE.						
1	Hokitika, Okarito, Bruce Bay, Paringa, Haast, Okura, Waitoto, and Jackson's Bay	Two-monthly ..	Steamer ..	W. Duncan ..	600 0 0	31 Dec., 1899.

* Payment included in salary.

POSTAL DISTRICT OF CHRISTCHURCH.

PERFORMED UNDER CONTRACT.						
1	Akaroa and Wainui	Twice weekly ..	Launch ..	Henning & Co. ..	35 0 0	31 Dec., 1899.
2	Akaroa, Long Bay Road, Le Bon's Bay, and German Bay	Thrice weekly ..	Horse ..	J. Phillips ..	42 0 0	"
3	Alford Forest, Bushside, Staveley, Springburn Post Office, and Springburn Railway Station	Daily ..	Cart ..	G. E. Goldsmith ..	22 10 0	"
4	Amberley and Broomfield	Thrice weekly ..	Horse ..	W. Allison ..	19 10 0	"
5	Annat and Russell's Flat	Twice weekly ..	Horse ..	R. S. Roycroft ..	11 12 0	"
6	Ashburton, Elgin, Wakanui, and Riverside	Daily ..	Trap ..	W. Busing ..	96 0 0	"
	Sea-view, Kyle, Seafield, and Newland	Thrice weekly ..				
7	Ashburton, Greenstreet, Ashburton Forks, and Winchmore	Thrice weekly ..	Trap ..	H. Willis ..	28 0 0	"
8	Ashburton, Wheatstone, Ashton, Waterton, and Longbeach	Daily ..	Coach ..	J. C. N. Grigg ..	70 0 0	"
9	Ashley Bank, Loburn, and North Loburn	Thrice weekly ..	Trap ..	J. Loffhagen ..	25 10 0	"
10	Balcairn and Leithfield	Daily ..	Cart ..	G. Caske ..	12 5 0	"

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PERFORMED UNDER CONTRACT—continued.						
11	Cheviot and Port Robinson	Weekly	Trap	J. E. Horneman	£ s. d. 5s. 6d. per trip	31 Dec., 1899.
	And to connect with steamers	As required				
12	Christchurch and Halswell	Daily	Trap	J. S. Newton	25 0 0	"
13	Christchurch and Marshlands	Daily	Cart	J. Templeton	12 10 0	"
14	Christchurch Post Office and Railway Station, providing mail-carts, horses, drivers, &c.	As required	Mail-cart	G. Hampton	166 0 0	"
15	Clearing receivers in Christchurch, Sydenham, St. Albans, Phillipstown, Linwood, &c.	Once daily, and once extra on Thursdays	Mail-cart	G. Hampton	166 0 0	"
16	Coalgate and Hororata	Daily	Cart	W. Ramsey	39 10 0	"
17	Courtenay and Kirwee	Daily	Trap	J. Wills	27 0 0	"
18	Culverden, Upper Waiau Ferry, and Hammer Plain.	Daily from 1st Nov. to 30th April; twice weekly from 1st May to 31st Oct.	Coach	T. Derrett	104 0 0	"
19	Culverden, Rotherham, and Waiau	Daily	Coach	T. Derrett	60 0 0	"
20	Darfield, Greendale, and Kimberley And Charing Cross	Daily				
		Four times weekly	Cart	C. McCausland	65 0 0	"
21	Dunsandel and Killinchy	Thrice weekly	Cart	A. E. Body	23 18 6	"
22	Duvauchelle, Okain's Bay, Chorlton, and Little Akaloa	Thrice weekly	Horse	S. T. Wilson	70 0 0	"
23	Flaxton Post Office and Railway Station .. Flaxton and Ohoka	Daily				
		5 times weekly one way only	Trap	G. T. Hopkins	31 0 0	"
24	Flemington and Longbeach Road	Daily	Horse	H. Henderson	15 0 0	"
25	Glentunnel, Glenroy, and Windwhistle House	Weekly	Coach	A. H. Burkitt	20 0 0	"
	Glentunnel, Glenroy, Windwhistle House, and Lake Coleridge	Weekly	Coach	A. H. Burkitt	35 0 0	"
27	Governor's Bay and Teddington	Twice weekly	Horse	W. H. Teape	20 0 0	"
28	Greenpark and Lincoln	Thrice weekly	Horse	R. Macartney	12 0 0	"
29	Halkett Town, West Melton, and Weedon's ..	Daily	Horse	A. Calder	48 0 0	"
30	Hinds and Lismore	Thrice weekly				
		Thrice weekly	Trap	W. C. Ford	39 10 0	"
31	Hinds and Lowcliffe	Thrice weekly				
		Thrice weekly	Horse	D. Coakley	16 0 0	"
32	Hurunui, Medbury, and Medbury Railway Station	Thrice weekly	Horse	D. Coakley	16 0 0	"
33	Irwell Post Office, Irwell Railway Station, and Brookside	Daily	Horse	M. Redmond	35 0 0	"
34	Kaiapoi, Coutts Island, Clarkville, and Eyreton	Thrice weekly	Horse	J. W. Todd	28 0 0	"
35	Kaiapoi, Woodend, Waikuku, and Saltwater Creek	Daily	Trap	F. H. J. Clarke	40 0 0	"
36	Kowai Bush and Springfield	Twice weekly	Cart	J. Hogland	12 0 0	"
37	Little River and Pigeon Bay Saddle	Thrice weekly	Horse	R. Ferguson	40 0 0	"
38	Little River, Barry's Bay, Duvauchelle, Robinson's Bay, German Bay, and Akaroa	Thrice weekly	Coach	B. Barker	175 0 0	"
39	Lyttelton and Governor's Bay	Daily	Coach	W. H. Teape	27 10 0	"
40	Lyttelton and Pigeon Bay	Thrice weekly	Steamer	Lyttelton and Peninsula S.S. Co.	150 0 0	"
41	Lyttelton and Port Levy	Weekly	Launch	Agar and Thomas	40 0 0	"
42	Mayfield and Ruapuna	Twice weekly				
	Valetta Railway Station and Ruapuna ..	4 times weekly	Cart	W. Dellow	40 0 0	"
43	Medbury and The Peaks	Thrice weekly	Cart	W. Hewett	25 0 0	"
44	Mount Somers and Ashburton Gorge	Twice weekly	Horse	T. Hix	36 0 0	"
45	Oxford and View Hill	Thrice weekly	Horse	G. A. White	18 0 0	"
46	Papanui and Harewood Road	Daily	Horse	W. Ford	16 0 0	"
47	Pigeon Bay and Barry's Bay Saddle	Weekly	Horse	R. D. Kelly	16 0 0	"
48	Pigeon Bay, Duvauchelle, Robinson's Bay, German Bay, and Akaroa	Thrice weekly	Coach	B. Barker	125 0 0	"
49	Prebbleton and Broadfield	Thrice weekly	Horse	W. Hazelhurst	14 10 0	"
50	Rakaia and Barr Hill	Thrice weekly	Horse	W. Barcock	27 10 0	"
51	Rakaia and Dorie	Thrice weekly	Horse	W. Barcock	30 0 0	"
52	Spotswood and Cheviot	Weekly	Horse	A. Gills	11 9 8	"
53	Springfield, Porter's Pass, Castle Hill, Cass River, Bealey, Otira Gorge, Aicken's, Jackson's, Taipo, Kumara	Twice weekly	Coach	H. Cassidy	850 0 0	31 Dec., 1898.
54	Tai Tapu and Lincoln	Daily	Horse	R. Macartney	28 0 0	31 Dec., 1899.
55	Taumutu, Lakeside, and Leeston	Daily	Cart	J. Patterson, jun.	33 0 0	"
56	Waiau and Kaikoura	Weekly	Coach	W. R. Creed	188 0 0	"
57	Waiau, Hawkwood, and Claverley	Weekly	Buggy	T. Derrett	25 0 0	"
58	Waipara, Motunau, Domett, and Cheviot ..	Thrice weekly*	Coach	A. Francis	45 0 0	"
59	Winslow, Willowby and Eiffelton	Daily	Horse	O. Drennan	36 0 0	"
60	Yaldhurst and Hornby	Daily	Horse	J. Hall	24 0 0	"

* Contractor carries an additional mail weekly free.

PERFORMED UNDER ARRANGEMENT WITH POSTMASTERS, ETC.

1	Ashley Bank Post Office and Railway Station	Daily	Foot	W. Wilson	*	
2	Ataahu and Kaituna Railway Station ..	Thrice weekly	Foot	D. McInnes	*	
3	Barry's Bay and Hill Top	Thrice weekly	Foot	T. Le Comte	10 0 0	
4	Bennett's Post Office and Railway Station ..	Daily	Foot	Ann Farr	*	

* Payment included in salary.

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PERFORMED UNDER ARRANGEMENT WITH POSTMASTERS, ETC.— <i>continued.</i>						
5	Burwood and New Brighton	Daily ..	Horse ..	J. Armstrong ..	£ 10 0 0	
6	Christchurch and New Brighton	Twice daily ..	Tram ..	New Brighton Tramway Co.	30 0 0	
7	Christchurch and Sumner	Twice daily ..	Tram ..	Christchurch Tramway Co. (Limited)	42 10 0	
8	Christchurch and Sydenham	Five times daily	Tram ..	Ditto ..	15 0 0	
9	Christchurch and Upper Riccarton	Daily ..	Coach ..	J. Wood ..	5 0 0	
10	Conveyance of all Letter-carriers in Uniform, from 7 a.m. to 6 p.m.	As required ..	Tram ..	Christchurch Tramway Co. (Limited)	18 0 0	
11	Cust Post Office and Railway Station	Daily ..	Foot ..	S. Early ..	*	
12	Fernside Post Office and Railway Station	Daily, and thrice weekly	Foot ..	D. McIntyre ..	*	
13	Gebbie's Flat and Rabbit Island Railway Station	Thrice weekly..	Foot ..	J. Miller ..	*	
14	Glentunnel Post Office and Railway Station	Daily ..	Foot ..	J. O. Anstiss ..	*	
15	Greenpark Post Office and Railway Station	Daily ..	Foot ..	H. Carr ..	*	
16	Hawarden Post Office and Railway Station	Daily ..	Foot ..	J. O'Carroll ..	*	
17	Lauriston Post Office and Railway Station ..	Daily ..	Foot ..	W. Buchan ..	*	
18	Lyttelton Post Office, Railway Station, and Wharves	As required ..	Foot and rail-way	N.Z. Railway Department	100 0 0	
19	Lyttelton Wharves and Roadstead	As required ..	Launch ..	Agar and Thomas	£1 per trip	
20	Medbury Post Office and Railway Station ..	Thrice weekly..	Foot ..	J. Shelley ..	*	
21	Ohoka Post Office and Railway Station	Daily ..	Foot ..	G. Grant ..	*	
22	Port Levy Post Office and Vessels at Wharf	As required ..	Foot ..	H. Field ..	*	
23	Prebbleton Post Office and Railway Station	Twice daily ..	Foot ..	J. Hastie ..	*	
24	Southbridge and Little Rakaia	Thrice weekly..	Horse ..	W. Scott ..	15 0 0	
25	Southbrook Post Office and Railway Station	Daily ..	Foot ..	W. Dyson ..	*	
26	South Malvern Post Office and Railway Station	Daily ..	Foot ..	N. Grindrod ..	5 0 0	
27	Springston Post Office and Railway Station	Twice daily ..	Foot ..	H. L. Dartnall ..	*	
28	Waddington Post Office and Railway Station	Daily ..	Foot ..	G. H. Judd ..	*	
29	Woolston and Bromley	Daily ..	Foot ..	J. J. Walker ..	12 0 0	
* Payment included in salary.						
SEA SERVICE. *						
1	Lyttelton and Chatham Islands	Bi-monthly	Steamer ..	Kinsey, Barns, and Co.	300 0 0	31 March, 1898.

POSTAL DISTRICT OF TIMARU.

PERFORMED UNDER CONTRACT.						
1	Burke's Pass Post Office, and Grampians, Gray's Hills, Haldon, and Black Forest Stations	Weekly ..	Trap ..	J. Keffe ..	29 0 0	31 Dec., 1899.
2	Fairlie and Ashwick Flat	Weekly ..	Trap ..	J. Siegert ..	12 12 0	"
3	Fairlie and Lake Pukaki	Once and twice weekly†	2-horse coach	Kerr and Frayne	200 0 0	"
4	Geraldine, Pleasant Valley, Te Moana, and Gapes Valley	Thrice weekly	Horse ..	W. G. Maslin ..	32 10 0	"
5	Hunter and Makikihi	Twice weekly ..	Trap ..	J. Dodd ..	13 0 0	"
6	Lake Pukaki and Hermitage	Weekly ..	2-horse coach	Kerr and Frayne	100 0 0	30 April, 1897§.
7	Orari and Geraldine	Twice daily	2-horse coach	J. Mundell ..	150 0 0	31 Dec., 1899.
	Orari, Orari Bridge, Geraldine, and Woodbury	Daily				
9	Peel Forest, Arundel, and Rangitata	Thrice weekly	Trap ..	F. Bull ..	37 10 0	"
9	Pleasant Point and Raincliff Station (delivering correspondence), through Totara Valley	Thrice weekly	Trap ..	P. Stratford ..	49 10 0	"
10	Rangitata and Orari, <i>via</i> Rangitata Island, Orton, Clandeboye, and Belfield	Twice weekly ..	Horse ..	J. Pearce ..	35 0 0	"
11	St. Andrew and Bluecliff (delivering correspondence)	Twice weekly ..	Trap ..	D. G. Watt ..	82 10 0	"
12	Temuka and Seadown	Thrice weekly	2-horse coach	G. Judson ..	12 0 0	"
13	Temuka, Hilton, Kakahu Bush, and Kakahu School	Thrice weekly	Coach ..	C. Leary ..	40 0 0	"
14	Temuka, Rangitira Valley, Waitohi Flat, and Upper Waitohi Flat	Thrice weekly..	Horse ..	P. Stratford ..	26 5 0	"
15	Timaru and Southburn (Blackburn School), <i>via</i> Gleniti, Claremont, Fairview, Priest's Corner, Pareora, Otupua, and Kingsdown (delivering correspondence where practicable)	Thrice weekly	Trap ..	W. Millington ..	47 0 0	"
16	Waitaki and Redcliff (delivering correspondence)	Twice weekly ..	Trap ..	S. Smart ..	30 0 0	"
17	Waitohi Railway Station and Kerry Town..	Thrice weekly	Foot ..	H. Brosnahan ..	20 0 0	"
PERFORMED UNDER ARRANGEMENT WITH POSTMASTERS, ETC.						
1	Otaio and Railway-station	Twice daily ..	Foot ..	G. Irwin ..	*	
2	Otipua and Adair	Thrice weekly..	Foot ..	W. Shepherd ..	*	
3	Waihao Forks and Railway Station	Thrice weekly..	Foot ..	D. McPherson ..	*	

* Payment included in salary.

† Weekly from 1st May to 31st October; twice weekly from 1st November to 30th April.

§ Postmaster-General may renew for two following seasons, 1st November to 30th April.

: For season.

POSTAL DISTRICT OF OAMARU.

No. of Service.	Service.	Frequency.	How performed.	Name of Contractor.	Annual Subsidy.	Date of Termination of Contract.
PERFORMED UNDER CONTRACT.						
1	Awamoko Post Office and Railway Station ..	Daily ..	Horse ..	J. King ..	£ 15 0 0	31 Dec., 1899.
2	Duntroon, Marowhenua, and Livingstone ..	Thrice weekly ..	Horse ..	J. Cook ..	37 0 0	"
3	Hakataramea and Station Creek ..	Weekly ..	} Spring-cart	J. Barclay ..	28 0 0	"
		Weekly ..				
4	Kokoamu and Barton's Siding, delivering correspondence where practicable	Daily ..	Horse ..	G. Fridd ..	20 0 0	"
5	Kurow, Wharekuri, and Omarama, delivering correspondence where practicable	Twice weekly ..	4-horse coach	T. A. Munro ..	100 0 0	"
6	Omarama and Lake Pukaki, delivering correspondence where practicable	Weekly ..	4-horse coach	T. A. Munro ..	85 0 0	"
7	Maheno and Incholme	Twice weekly ..	Spring-cart ..	J. Rankin ..	12 0 0	"
8	Maheno and Kakanui	Daily ..	Spring-cart ..	G. & R. Southgate	30 0 0	"
PERFORMED UNDER ARRANGEMENT WITH POSTMASTERS, ETC.						
1	Alma Post Office and Railway Station ..	Thrice weekly	Foot ..	Sarah Rawcliffe..	*	
2	Enfield Post Office and Railway Station ..	Twice daily ..	Foot ..	T. Common ..	15 0 0	
3	Georgetown Post Office and Railway Station	Daily ..	Spring-cart ..	R. Forrest ..	13 0 0	
4	Hilderthorpe Post Office and Railway Station	Daily ..	Foot ..	G. Dennison ..	*	
5	Hillgrove Post Office and Railway Station ..	Daily ..	Foot ..	J. Kelly ..	*	
6	Kurow and Hakataramea	Daily ..	Foot ..	W. Barclay ..	10 0 0	
7	Otiake Post Office and Railway Station ..	Daily ..	Foot ..	C. Milmine ..	5 0 0	
8	Papakaio Post Office and Railway Station ..	Daily ..	Foot ..	P. Dunn ..	*	
9	Shag Point Post Office and Railway Station	Daily ..	Foot ..	H. Randle ..	*	
10	Waianakarua Post Office and Railway Station	Daily ..	Foot ..	R. Hyslop ..	*	
11	Waitaki South Post Office and Railway Station	Daily ..	Foot ..	J. Kennedy ..	*	
12	Weston Post Office and Railway Station ..	Twice daily ..	Foot ..	W. Forrester ..	15 0 0	
13	Windsor Post Office and Railway Station ..	Twice daily ..	Foot ..	R. Taylor ..	5 0 0	

* Payment included in salary.

POSTAL DISTRICT OF DUNEDIN.

PERFORMED UNDER CONTRACT.						
1	{ Abbotsford and Fairfield	Daily	} Horse ..	J. Loudon ..	30 0 0	31 Dec., 1899.
	{ Fairfield and Saddle Hill	Thrice weekly				
2	Abbotsford and Taieri Beach, <i>via</i> Brighton, Kuri Bush, and Taieri Mouth	Twice weekly ..	Horse and vehicle	T. Palmer ..	34 10 0	"
3	Balclutha and Hillend, <i>via</i> Stony Creek and Bishop's	Twice weekly ..	Horse and spring-cart	J. Thomson ..	30 0 0	"
4	{ Cromwell and Bannockburn	Thrice weekly	} Horse and vehicle	J. Lawrence ..	85 0 0	"
		Weekly				
5	Dunedin and Portobello, <i>via</i> North East Harbour and Broad Bay	Daily ..	Coach ..	D. D. Seaton ..	100 0 0	"
6	Dunedin and Sandymount, <i>via</i> Highcliffe ..	Thrice weekly ..	Coach ..	J. Challis ..	40 0 0	"
7	Dunedin, supplying Horses, Mail-carts, Harness, Drivers, &c., for use at Chief Post Office, as required	As required ..	..	A. Dawes ..	310 0 0	"
8	Henley and Berwick	Thrice weekly ..	Horse ..	A. Mitchell, jun.	17 0 0	"
9	Heriot and Park Hill, <i>via</i> Crookston and Dunrobin	Thrice weekly ..	Horse and gig	W. Mackay ..	64 0 0	"
10	Hindon Post Office and Railway Station ..	Twice weekly ..	Horse ..	Ann Hagerty ..	25 0 0	"
11	Kaitangata and Stirling	Daily ..	Coach ..	A. Reid ..	30 0 0	"
12	Kaitangata and Wangaloa	Thrice weekly ..	Horse ..	J. Smith ..	20 0 0	"
13	Karitane Post Office and Puketeraki Railway Station	Twice weekly ..	Horse ..	J. T. Pratt ..	20 0 0	"
14	Kelso and Merino Downs	Weekly ..	Horse ..	M. McLay ..	13 0 0	"
15	Lawrence and Greenfield, <i>via</i> Tuapeka West and Tuapeka Mouth	Thrice weekly ..	Coach ..	H. Craig ..	64 0 0	"
16	Lawrence and Waipori	Thrice weekly ..	Coach ..	M. Tohill ..	45 0 0	"
17	Lawrence Post Office and Railway Station	As required ..	Express	T. Roughan ..	40 0 0	"
18	Lawrence, Weatherstone, and Bluespur ..	Daily ..	Horse ..	G. Jeffrey ..	25 0 0	"
19	Merton and Evansdale Railway Station, <i>via</i> Beaconsfield	Thrice weekly ..	Horse ..	A. Storey ..	30 0 0	"
20	Milton, Akatore, and Glenledi	Twice weekly ..	Horse ..	Jane Leslie ..	20 0 0	"
21	Mosgiel and East Taieri	Daily ..	Horse ..	J. Williams ..	25 0 0	"
22	Naseby and Gimberburn, <i>via</i> Eweburn	Twice weekly ..	Horse ..	B. Gordon ..	29 16 0	"
23	Naseby and Kyeburn Diggings	Weekly ..	Horse and vehicle	J. Cain ..	19 10 0	"
24	Ophir and Drybread, <i>via</i> Matakanaui ..	Thrice weekly ..	Horse and vehicle	R. Sheppard ..	50 0 0	"
25	Ophir and Ida Valley	Thrice weekly ..	Horse ..	R. Love ..	51 0 0	"
26	{ Outram and Clark's, <i>via</i> Lee Stream ..	Twice weekly	} Horse ..	A. Andrews ..	68 0 2	"
		Thrice weekly				
27	{ Outram and Maungatua, <i>via</i> Woodside ..	Thrice weekly	} Horse ..	T. Gillespie ..	28 0 0	"
28	{ Owaka and Purekireki, <i>via</i> Tahatika ..	Twice weekly ..				
29	Owaka and Ratanui	Twice weekly ..	Coach ..	J. H. Callahan	28 0 0	"
29	Owaka Post Office and Railway Station ..	As required ..	Horse ..	J. S. Vial ..	10 0 0	"
30	Palmerston and Morrison's, <i>via</i> Shag Valley, Dunback, and Green Valley	Weekly ..	Coach ..	B. J. Jeffs ..	40 0 0	"

POSTAL DISTRICT OF DUNEDIN—continued.

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PERFORMED UNDER CONTRACT—continued.					£ s. d.	
31	Palmerston and Naseby, <i>via</i> Shag Valley, Dunback, Green Valley, Morrison's, and Kyeburn	Twice weekly ..	Coach ..	B. Irwin ..	297 0 0	31 Dec., 1899.
32	Palmerston and Nenthorn, <i>via</i> Macrae's Flat and Moonlight	Thrice weekly ..	Coach ..	B. J. Jeffs ..	180 0 0	"
33	Patearoa and Kokonga, <i>via</i> Hamilton's ..	Twice weekly ..	Vehicle ..	J. Murison ..	42 10 0	"
34	Patearoa and Serpentine, <i>via</i> Linburn ..	Weekly ..	Horse ..	S. Harman ..	52 0 0	"
35	Pembroke and Makarora ..	Weekly ..	Steamer and horse	R. McDougall and Son	75 0 0	"
36	Portobello and Otakou ..	Thrice weekly ..	Horse ..	D. D. Seaton ..	20 0 0	"
37	Puerua and Port Molyneux, <i>via</i> Romahapa	Thrice weekly ..	Spring-cart ..	W. Paterson ..	27 10 0	"
38	Purakanui Post Office and Railway Station	Thrice weekly ..	Foot ..	J. Foote ..	8 0 0	"
39	Ratanui and Houipapa ..	Weekly ..	Horse ..	A. Allan ..	13 18 0	"
40	Ratanui, Tahakopa, and Papatowai	Weekly ..	Horse ..	A. Allan ..	25 18 0	"
41	Stirling and Inch-Clutha ..	Thrice weekly ..	Horse ..	W. L. Riddell ..	18 0 0	"
42	Tapanui Post Office and Railway Station ..	Twice daily ..	Coach ..	J. Bellamy ..	10 0 0	"
43	Tuapeka Mouth and Rongahere ..	Twice weekly ..	Horse ..	J. Drain ..	8 0 0	"
44	Waikoiko Post Office and Pomahaka Railway Siding	Thrice weekly ..	Spring-cart ..	A. Reid ..	28 0 0	"
45	Waitahuna and Waitahuna Gully ..	Daily ..	Express ..	A. McKenzie ..	26 0 0	"
46	Waitahuna and Waitahuna West ..	Twice weekly ..	Horse ..	J. Scott ..	23 0 0	"
47	Waitapeka Post Office and Railway Station	Daily ..	Horse ..	J. Somerville ..	20 0 0	"
	Cromwell and Bendigo ..	Twice weekly ..				
	Cromwell and Pembroke, <i>via</i> Lowburn Ferry, Queensberry, Luggate, Hawea Flat, and Albert Town	Twice weekly ..				
	Hyde and Naseby, <i>via</i> Kokonga, Waipiata, and Eweburn	Thrice weekly ..				
	Hyde and Clyde, <i>via</i> Kokonga, Kyeburn, Naseby, Wedderburn, Rough Ridge, Blackstone Hill, St. Bathans, Cambrian, Beck's, Ophir, Chatto Creek, and Alexandra South	Thrice weekly ..				
48	Lawrence and Roxburgh, <i>via</i> Evan's Flat, Beaumont, Rae's Junction, Island Block, Horse-shoe Bend, Miller's Flat, Etrick, and Dumbarton	Daily ..	Coach ..	H. Craig ..	3,400 0 0	"
	Pembroke and Arrow, <i>via</i> Cardrona ..	Weekly ..				
	Roxburgh and Queenstown, <i>via</i> Coal Creek Flat, Bald Hill Flat, Alexandra South, Clyde, Cromwell, Kawarau Gorge, Gibbston, Arrow, Frankton, and Lower Shot-over	Thrice weekly ..				
PERFORMED UNDER ARRANGEMENT WITH POSTMASTERS, ETC.						
1	Ahuriri Flat Post Office and Glenomaru Railway Station	Thrice weekly ..	Trap ..	W. McLay ..	*	
2	Balclutha and Te Houka ..	Twice weekly ..	Spring-cart ..	Chapman and Crawford	10 0 0	
3	Bendigo and Tarras ..	Twice weekly ..	Horse ..	J. L. Scott ..	20 0 0	
4	Clarksville Post Office and Railway Station	Daily ..	Foot ..	W. Anderson ..	10 0 0	
5	Clinton and Popotunoa ..	Weekly ..	Spring-cart ..	G. H. Hammer ..	16 0 0	
6	Dunedin and Anderson's Bay ..	Twice daily ..	'Bus ..	H. Ross ..	3 3 0	
7	Dunedin and Mount Cargill ..	Twice weekly ..	Horse ..	D. Winter ..	13 0 0	
8	Dunedin and South Dunedin ..	Twice daily ..	Tram ..	City and Subn. Tram Company	15 0 0	
9	Dunedin and Whare Flat ..	Twice weekly ..	Horse ..	S. Rollinson ..	15 0 0	
10	Glenary and Waikaia ..	Weekly ..	Horse ..	J. B. Cosgrove ..	*	
11	Glenore Post Office and Railway Station ..	Daily ..	Foot ..	M. Wain ..	10 0 0	
12	Goodwood and Flag Swamp ..	Daily ..	Horse ..	J. Hepburn ..	10 0 0	
13	Goodwood Post Office and Railway Station	Daily ..	Foot ..	J. Dempsey ..	*	
14	Green Island Post Office and Abbotsford Railway Station	Twice daily ..	Horse ..	J. Campbell ..	8 0 0	
15	Henley Post Office and Railway Station ..	Twice daily ..	Horse ..	Margaret Greenwood	10 0 0	
16	Kaihiku Post Office and Railway Station ..	Daily ..	Foot ..	A. R. Johnston ..	*	
17	Kakapuaka Post Office and Waitepeka Railway Station	Daily ..	Foot ..	T. McKee ..	*	
18	Lowburn Ferry Post Office and Coach ..	Twice weekly ..	Foot ..	D. McPherson ..	*	
19	Miller's Flat Post Office and Coach ..	Daily ..	Foot ..	J. Eady ..	10 0 0	
20	Milton and Adams' Flat ..	Twice weekly ..	Spring-cart ..	W. Hitchon ..	9 0 0	
21	North Taieri Post Office and Railway Station	Daily ..	Foot ..	G. S. Gordon ..	20 0 0	
22	Otaika Post Office and Railway Station ..	Daily ..	Foot ..	J. O'Leary ..	8 0 0	
23	Owaka and Katea ..	Weekly ..	Horse ..	G. Gosden ..	*	
24	Palmerston Post Office and Railway Station	As required ..	Foot ..	W. McKean ..	10 0 0	
25	Toiro Post Office and Railway Station ..	Daily ..	Horse ..	J. Crawford ..	18 0 0	
26	Woodhaugh delivery ..	Daily ..	Horse ..	E. S. Clarke ..	25 0 0	

* Payment included in salary.

POSTAL DISTRICT OF INVERCARGILL.

No. of Service.	Service.	Frequency.	How performed.	Name of Contractor.	Annual Subsidy.	Date of Termination of Contract.
PERFORMED UNDER CONTRACT.						
					£ s. d.	
1	Arrowtown and Macetown	Twice weekly ..	Trap ..	Reid & McDowell ..	30 0 0	31 Dec., 1899.
2	Arrowtown, Lower Shotover, Frankton, and Queenstown	Thrice weekly ..	Coach ..	J. L. Jopp ..	70 0 0	"
3	Athol and Nokomai	Weekly ..	Horse ..	J. Coulam ..	20 0 0	"
4	Centre Bush Railway Siding and Otapiri Gorge	Weekly ..	Horse ..	A. Diack ..	12 0 0	"
5	Colac Bay and Round Hill	Twice weekly ..	Trolley ..	R. Newton ..	12 0 0	"
6	Edendale and Seaward Downs	Weekly ..	Horse ..	A. Ballantine ..	11 10 0	"
7	Edendale and Wyndham	As required ..	Coach ..	W. J. Currie and C. Francis ..	20 0 0	"
8	Fortrose, Otara, and Haldane	Twice weekly ..	Trap ..	J. Anderson ..	26 0 0	"
9	Fortrose, Tokonui Gorge, Quarry Hills, Waikawa Valley, Niagara, and Waikawa Township	Twice weekly ..	Horse ..	J. L. McFarlane ..	51 10 0	"
10	Gore, East Chatton, Chatton, and Otama	Twice weekly ..	Trap ..	E. Macgibbon ..	30 0 0	"
11	Gore, Waikaka Valley, Waikaka, and Wendon Valley	Thrice weekly ..	Coach ..	E. Roberts ..	80 0 0	"
12	Gorge Road Post Office and Railway Siding	Thrice weekly ..	Foot ..	W. Stewart ..	11 10 0	"
13	Invercargill and Otatara	Twice weekly ..	Trap ..	A. Campbell ..	10 0 0	"
14	Invercargill and West Plains	Twice weekly ..	Van ..	A. Anderson ..	10 0 0	"
15	Invercargill Post Office and Railway Station	As required ..	Express ..	N. Z. Express Co. ..	9d. per load	"
16	Invercargill, Waikiwi, and Wallacetown	Daily ..	Coach ..	D. Scott ..	40 0 0	"
17	Kingston and Queenstown	Daily ..	Steamer ..	Lake Wakatipu S.S. Co. ..	500 0 0	"
18	Lumsden, Mossburn, and Te Anau	Twice and once weekly*	Coach ..	J. Crosbie ..	130 0 0	"
19	Manapouri and Hillside Creek	Weekly ..	Coach ..	J. B. C. Dore ..	28 0 0	"
20	Mararora and The Key	Twice and once weekly*	Horse ..	A. Murrell ..	25 0 0	"
21	Mill Road, Myross Bush, Roslyn Bush, Grove Bush, Mabel Bush, and Hedgehope	Twice weekly ..	Horse ..	T. Hughes ..	34 15 0	"
22	Mokotua Post Office and Railway Station	Twice weekly ..	Horse ..	A. Kerr ..	8 10 0	"
23	Mokotua Post Office and Waituna	Weekly ..	Horse ..	A. Kerr ..	5 10 0	"
24	Muddy Creek and Wendonside	Twice weekly ..	Horse ..	J. Maher ..	15 0 0	"
25	Nightcaps, Opio, and Annandale	Twice weekly ..	Horse ..	J. B. Purdue ..	16 10 0	"
26	Orepuki and Te Tua	Weekly ..	Dray ..	E. J. Hogg ..	12 0 0	"
27	Otautau and Scott's Gap	Weekly ..	Horse ..	D. Lynch ..	6 15 0	"
28	Otautau, Merrivale, Orawia, Eastern Bush, and Black Mount	Weekly ..	Horse & buggy ..	D. Lynch ..	60 0 0	"
29	Otautau, Merrivale, Orawia, Eastern Bush, and Clifden	Weekly ..	Buggy ..	D. Lynch ..	19 10 0	"
30	Paterson's Inlet and Half-moon Bay	Weekly ..	Boat ..	G. Fife ..	28 0 0	"
31	Pukerau, Kaiwera, and Otaraia	Twice weekly ..	Horse ..	J. McKenzie ..	17 15 0	"
32	Queenstown and Moke Creek	Weekly ..	Horse ..	A. Paterson ..	20 0 0	"
33	Queenstown, Arthur's Point, and Malaghan's	Twice weekly ..	Trap ..	E. Monson ..	15 0 0	"
34	Queenstown, Arthur's Point, Maori Point, Skippers, and Bullendale	Twice weekly ..	Coach ..	J. Bourdeau ..	90 0 0	"
35	Queenstown, Glenorchy, and Kinloch	Weekly ..	Steamer ..	Lake Wakatipu S.S. Company ..	50 0 0	"
36	Riversdale and Waikaia	Daily ..	Coach ..	D. Matheson, jun. ..	40 0 0	"
37	Riversdale and Wendon	Twice weekly ..	Horse ..	F. Lawson ..	25 0 0	"
38	Riverton, Gummie's Bush, and Groper's Bush	Twice weekly ..	Horse ..	J. Pratt ..	15 0 0	"
39	Riverton Post Office and Railway Station	As required ..	Foot ..	J. Pratt ..	18 0 0	"
40	South Hillend and Heddon Bush	Twice weekly ..	Horse ..	F. Saunders ..	16 0 0	"
41	Te Anau and Glade House	Weekly† ..	Steamer ..	W. Snodgrass ..	£2 per trip.	"
42	Thornbury, Isla Bank, and Drummond	Twice weekly ..	Trap ..	W. Sanders ..	26 0 0	"
43	Waikaka and Greenvale	Twice weekly ..	Horse ..	J. Bradbury ..	13 0 0	"
44	Waikawa Valley and Chasland's	Twice weekly ..	Horse ..	J. L. McFarlane ..	29 15 0	"
45	Winton, Brown's, Spring Hills, and Hokonui	Weekly ..	Horse ..	W. Gordon ..	25 15 8	"
46	Winton, Oreti Plains, and Heddon Bush	Twice weekly ..	Trap ..	W. James ..	43 17 6	"
47	Woodlands and Dacre	Weekly ..	Trap ..	E. Scammell ..	12 0 0	"
48	Wyndham and Mimihau	Twice weekly ..	Horse ..	T. A. Dawson ..	14 0 0	"
49	Wyndham and Mokoreta	Twice weekly ..	Horse ..	J. Templeton ..	32 10 0	"
50	Wyndham, Pine Bush, and Fortrose	Thrice weekly ..	Coach ..	W. J. Currie and C. Francis ..	50 0 0	"

* Twice weekly from 1st October to 31st March; weekly from 1st April to 30th September. to 30th April.

† Mail-service performed only from 1st November to 30th April.

PERFORMED UNDER ARRANGEMENT WITH POSTMASTERS, ETC.

1	Harrington's Post Office and Railway Siding	Twice weekly ..	Foot ..	D. D. Steadman ..	*
2	Kapuka Post Office and Railway Siding	Thrice weekly ..	Foot ..	C. Robinson ..	*
3	Lime Hills and Ord's Crossing	Daily ..	Foot ..	T. G. Shand ..	*
4	Mataura Island and Main Road	Thrice weekly ..	Horse ..	C. Cameron ..	*
5	Mossburn Post Office and Railway Station	Thrice weekly ..	Foot ..	F. J. Dyer ..	*
6	Papatotara and Te Tua	Weekly ..	Horse ..	H. Erskine ..	*
7	Pegasus and Half-moon Bay	Ten times yearly	Cutter ..	G. Thomson ..	*

SEA SERVICES.

1	Bluff and Half-moon Bay	Weekly ..	Tug ..	Bluff Harbour Bd. ..	300 0 0	31 Dec., 1899.
2	Invercargill, Puysegur Point, and Cromarty	Monthly ..	Steamer ..	A. B. Campbell ..	360 0 0	31 Mar., 1897.

* Payment included in salary.

STATEMENT of TELEGRAPH BUSINESS within the several POSTAL DISTRICTS of the COLONY of NEW ZEALAND during the Quarter ended 31st December, 1896.

POSTAL DISTRICTS.	Number of Offices open at End of Quarter.	Ordinary Telegrams.		Urgent Ordinary Telegrams.		Press Telegrams.*		Bureau Communications.		Total.		Government Telegrams.	
		Number.	Amount.	Number.	Amount.	Number.	Amount.	Number.	Amount.	Number.	Amount.	Number.	Value.
Auckland	159	99,399	£ s. d. 4,000 19 5	5,405	£ s. d. 477 16 1½	5,394	£ s. d. 329 19 4	6,181	£ s. d. 120 0 3	116,379	£ s. d. 4,928 15 1½	10,648	£ s. d. 982 9 0
Blenheim	19	8,672	327 0 10	510	43 1 5	169	44 4 7	454	13 18 2	9,805	428 0 0	1,457	124 19 6
Christchurch	76	54,102	2,104 18 11½	2,987	268 15 10	2,817	390 2 5	2,213	50 17 0	62,119	2,814 14 2½	5,355	446 16 10
Dunedin	121	64,038	2,544 14 1	2,749	252 15 3	4,208	233 15 3	5,195	113 18 6	76,190	3,145 3 1	5,205	499 15 0
Gisborne	15	10,418	434 3 5½	488	43 6 3	488	50 13 9	..	..	11,394	528 3 5½	1,306	117 7 7
Greymouth	10	13,390	518 13 2	457	35 5 6	444	97 11 11	..	..	14,291	651 10 7	1,450	149 18 6
Hokitika	19	6,051	227 6 10	165	13 1 3	154	52 9 0	..	..	6,370	292 17 1	748	91 16 5
Invercargill	60	23,801	914 10 8	771	75 13 0	706	88 7 6	7,907	202 2 3	33,185	1,280 13 5	2,163	213 6 11
Napier	40	29,573	1,153 12 11½	1,955	156 12 6	1,956	190 19 8	1,191	32 11 6	34,675	1,533 16 7½	2,968	252 10 9
Nelson	32	12,997	367 4 0	479	37 19 7½	1,179	99 1 3	11	0 8 0	14,666	504 12 10½	2,071	179 4 6
New Plymouth	16	13,183	490 12 3½	560	44 9 9	648	63 6 10	238	7 0 3	14,629	605 9 1½	1,765	153 7 10
Oamaru	19	6,893	244 7 0	390	28 17 1	205	94 13 11	381	13 14 9	7,869	381 12 9	527	47 19 8
Thames	22	29,221	1,101 3 2	1,794	139 10 8	506	82 0 3	395	11 19 3	31,916	1,334 13 4	2,750	239 3 9
Timaru	20	11,625	433 17 1½	619	51 9 4	558	86 6 4	..	..	12,802	571 12 9½	1,311	103 11 5
Wanganui	32	26,750	947 16 11	1,501	102 17 7	936	121 6 5	259	5 11 5	29,446	1,177 12 4	2,806	253 13 7
Wellington	89	88,601	3,650 0 0½	5,722	514 15 5	26,903	193 2 3	2,519	69 7 3	123,745	4,427 4 11½	20,374	2,178 10 2
Westport	20	10,447	371 12 3	477	53 8 4	346	43 17 8	..	..	11,270	468 18 3	1,522	130 13 10
Total 4th quarter in 1896	769	509,161	19,832 13 2	27,029	2,339 14 11	47,617	2,261 18 4	26,944	641 3 7	610,751	25,075 10 0	64,426	6,215 5 3
Total 4th quarter in 1895	725	407,367	19,365 17 9	15,920	2,037 10 10	49,760	2,343 14 7	23,017	540 16 5	496,064	24,287 19 7	55,360	6,142 10 4

* The bulk of Press telegrams are forwarded as "Collect" on delivery.

General Post Office,
Wellington, 25th January, 1897.W. GRAY,
Secretary.

RETURN of REVENUE collected at the GENERAL POST OFFICE and in the several POSTAL DISTRICTS of NEW ZEALAND for the Quarter ended 31st December, 1896.

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THE NEW ZEALAND GAZETTE.

H	POSTAL REVENUE.							TELEGRAPH REVENUE.				Total Post and Telegraph Revenue.
	Private Box and Bag Rents.	Money-order Commission.	Stamps sold and credited to Stamp Revenue.	Postal Guides.	Postal-note Commission.	Miscellaneous Receipts (Postal).	Total Postal.	Telegrams.	Telephone Exchanges.	Miscellaneous Telegraph.	Total Telegraph.	
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
General Post Office ..	..	..	..	0 8 0	..	275 3 7	275 11 7	..	..	152 17 0	152 17 0	428 8 7
Auckland	172 10 0	770 19 7	7,424 6 7½	5 9 6	117 1 0	2 12 6	8,492 19 2½	4,928 15 1½	2,631 19 5	53 15 0	7,614 9 6½	16,107 8 9
Blenheim	9 10 0	53 5 0	776 19 9½	0 6 6	11 15 2½	..	851 16 6	428 0 0	114 3 4	1 0 0	543 3 4	1,394 19 10
Christchurch	158 0 0	358 19 9	5,543 2 2½	4 19 0	63 3 4½	34 1 3	6,162 5 7	2,814 14 2½	2,483 13 8	31 0 0	5,329 7 10½	11,491 13 5½
Dunedin	160 0 0	336 7 9	5,208 5 10	8 15 0	75 6 1½	3 8 9	5,792 3 5½	3,145 3 1	2,303 14 9	23 10 0	5,472 7 10	11,264 11 3½
Gisborne	2 0 0	52 12 6	1,243 11 6	0 15 0	4 16 1	..	1,303 15 1	528 3 5½	1 0 0	1 10 0	530 13 5½	1,834 8 6½
Greymouth	7 0 0	90 8 0	1,056 8 7	0 5 0	11 16 3½	1 0 0	1,166 17 10½	651 10 7	164 7 3	2 10 0	818 7 10	1,985 5 8½
Hokitika .. ..	..	34 9 9	452 12 8½	..	6 19 11½	..	494 2 5	292 17 1	..	..	292 17 1	786 19 6
Invercargill	38 0 0	136 2 6	2,959 5 0	4 1 6	37 10 4½	0 2 0	3,175 1 4½	1,280 13 5	716 15 11	7 5 0	2,004 14 4	5,179 15 8½
Napier	36 10 0	226 17 6	2,709 17 5½	2 13 6	43 10 4	..	3,019 8 9½	1,533 16 7½	772 5 8	8 10 0	2,314 12 3½	5,334 1 1
Nelson	4 10 0	73 13 9	1,328 4 2	0 2 0	13 6 7½	2 18 0	1,422 14 6½	504 12 10½	121 0 0	3 10 0	629 2 10½	2,051 17 5
New Plymouth	25 0 0	91 15 6	1,153 12 6½	0 2 6	22 2 2½	..	1,292 12 9	605 9 1½	271 13 4	3 15 0	880 17 5½	2,173 10 2½
Oamaru	9 0 0	48 7 9	1,310 11 7	0 0 6	13 4 6	..	1,381 4 4	381 12 9	201 3 2	1 0 0	583 15 11	1,965 0 3
Thames	26 0 0	233 4 3	2,185 0 11	0 5 0	32 7 5	..	2,476 17 7	1,334 13 4	188 1 11	2 10 0	1,525 5 3	4,002 2 10
Timaru	20 0 0	77 15 9	2,655 9 0	0 3 0	19 10 2	7 5 0	2,780 2 11	571 12 9½	162 11 3	6 0 0	740 4 0½	3,520 6 11½
Wanganui	65 0 0	188 9 9	4,566 2 10½	0 3 6	46 15 6	0 8 6	4,867 0 1½	1,177 12 4	298 5 9	2 0 0	1,477 18 1	6,344 18 2½
Wellington	109 0 0	676 7 1	8,102 14 5	9 3 6	104 17 1½	15 8 6	9,017 10 7½	4,427 4 11½	2,729 2 0	249 7 3	7,405 14 2½	16,423 4 10
Westport	2 0 0	67 3 6	666 16 1	0 2 6	11 10 0	..	747 12 1	468 18 3	..	9 0 0	477 18 3	1,225 10 4
Total fourth quarter in 1896	844 0 0	3,516 19 8	49,343 1 3½	37 15 6	635 12 3½	342 8 1	54,719 16 10	25,075 10 0	13,159 17 5	558 19 3	38,794 6 8	93,514 3 6
Total fourth quarter in 1895	680 10 0	3,325 12 10	46,849 6 9	34 15 6	605 18 0	131 1 7	51,627 4 8	24,287 19 7	11,761 4 4	653 7 9	36,702 11 8	88,329 16 4

General Post Office,
Wellington, 25th January, 1897.

W. GRAY,
Secretary.

STATEMENT showing the NUMBER, AMOUNT, &c., of MONEY-ORDER and SAVINGS-BANK TRANSACTIONS in the several POSTAL DISTRICTS of the COLONY of NEW ZEALAND during the Quarter ended 31st December, 1896.

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POSTAL DISTRICTS.	Money-order Offices open at end of Quarter.	MONEY-ORDERS.				Savings-Bank Offices open at end of Quarter.	SAVINGS-BANKS.							
		Issued.		Paid.			Accounts.		Number of Deposits.	Number of With- drawals.	Amount of Deposits.	Amount of Withdrawals.	Excess of Deposits over Withdrawals.	Excess of Withdrawals over Deposits.
		Number.	Amount.	Number.	Amount.		Opened.	Closed.						
			£ s. d.		£ s. d.					£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	
Auckland	81	14,396	50,437 0 4	12,827	51,032 17 2	81	1,224	811	7,626	6,488	116,117 3 2	94,993 6 5	21,123 16 9	..
Blenheim	8	1,307	3,722 4 9	553	2,081 18 3	8	113	97	905	663	11,658 12 3	10,092 17 5	1,565 14 10	..
Christchurch	47	7,992	22,670 8 0	6,900	24,615 5 8	47	1,118	808	10,738	9,362	123,370 19 7	125,730 7 3	..	2,359 7 8
Dunedin	45	8,027	23,674 18 0	7,631	27,973 12 0	41	820	727	8,237	6,734	89,608 3 3	87,735 6 6	1,872 16 9	..
Gisborne	3	903	2,819 7 6	294	1,127 17 6	3	135	103	731	615	8,549 16 2	8,384 9 11	165 6 3	..
Greymouth	10	1,912	6,096 19 7	882	3,385 8 3	10	112	107	740	630	8,975 1 4	8,435 4 6	539 16 10	..
Hokitika	6	857	2,213 7 7	339	1,403 14 1	6	54	46	339	294	5,872 8 8	5,138 1 6	734 7 2	..
Invercargill	26	3,426	9,584 17 2	1,717	6,090 13 4	26	228	247	1,820	1,416	22,018 4 5	24,023 9 1	..	2,005 4 8
Napier	21	4,507	14,305 3 10	2,238	7,995 18 6	21	386	277	2,594	2,018	28,623 14 7	26,076 19 4	2,546 15 3	..
Nelson	12	1,770	5,483 19 8	1,367	5,096 19 4	12	130	108	1,094	983	18,226 6 6	16,195 8 9	2,030 17 9	..
New Plymouth	7	2,191	7,278 9 1	1,241	5,875 7 9	7	192	181	1,221	1,013	17,724 12 3	19,877 6 6	..	2,152 14 3
Oamaru	9	1,249	4,088 17 4	697	2,623 9 0	9	119	84	871	591	9,996 9 2	7,118 12 3	2,877 16 11	..
Thames	15	4,629	17,352 2 2	1,543	7,377 12 5	14	489	303	2,633	1,728	31,794 19 5	24,045 5 7	7,749 13 10	..
Timaru	12	1,902	6,118 17 0	775	2,809 16 1	12	207	162	1,484	1,088	19,921 2 1	16,875 11 4	3,045 10 9	..
Wanganui	22	4,237	15,018 19 6	1,868	6,781 1 8	21	426	272	2,556	1,899	32,595 16 3	28,121 16 0	4,474 0 3	..
Wellington	43	12,187	37,447 18 5	10,121	39,904 11 10	41	1,430	1,072	12,095	9,261	136,568 18 8	115,991 18 3	20,577 0 5	..
Westport	12	1,583	4,639 1 8	540	2,121 15 0	12	67	76	553	460	6,024 14 7	6,137 13 0	..	112 18 5
Total 4th quarter in 1896	379	73,075	232,902 6 7	51,583	198,297 17 10	371	7,250	5,431	56,237	45,243	687,647 2 4	624,973 13 7	62,673 8 9	..
Total 4th quarter in 1895	364	69,295	221,607 7 6	47,522	183,078 0 6	357	6,587	5,267	49,299	43,300	658,479 7 11	606,739 12 3	51,739 15 8	..

General Post Office,
Wellington, 25th January, 1897.

W. GRAY,
Secretary.

THE NEW ZEALAND GAZETTE.

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STATEMENT showing the NUMBER, AMOUNT, &c., of POSTAL-NOTE TRANSACTIONS in the several POSTAL DISTRICTS of NEW ZEALAND during the Quarter ended 31st December, 1896.

POSTAL DISTRICTS.	No. of Postal-note Offices open at the end of the Quarter.	NUMBER OF POSTAL NOTES SOLD.												Commis- sion on Postal Notes sold.	Total Amount of Postal Notes sold.	NUMBER OF POSTAL NOTES PAID.												Total Amount of Postal Notes paid.						
		At 1/0	At 1/6	At 2/6	At 5/0	At 7/6	At 10/0	At 12/6	At 15/0	At 17/6	At £1.	At £5.	Total.			At 1/0	At 1/6	At 2/6	At 5/0	At 7/6	At 10/0	At 12/6	At 15/0	At 17/6	At £1.	At £5.	Total.							
Auckland ..	90	3,609	3,116	1,798	2,623	1,145	2,329	570	793	302	1,455	60	17,800	£ 117	s. 1	d. 0	5,975	£ 16	s. 6	4,465	4,020	2,288	3,261	1,421	2,823	753	1,016	384	1,748	49	22,228	£ 7,132	s. 0	d. 0
Blenheim ..	9	362	267	125	272	119	271	57	79	30	138	2	1,722	11	15	2½	582	15	2½	133	114	64	132	48	115	24	55	17	93	4	799	315	16	6
Christchurch ..	53	1,672	1,283	758	1,296	578	1,354	338	407	152	956	34	8,828	63	3	4½	3,330	19	10½	2,847	2,145	1,243	1,813	914	1,985	617	691	288	1,278	36	13,857	4,860	19	6
Dunedin ..	52	2,203	1,845	930	1,453	743	1,515	454	514	227	1,060	24	10,968	75	6	1½	3,887	6	7½	2,775	2,354	1,325	1,977	972	1,852	545	613	275	1,223	50	13,961	4,779	13	6
Gisborne ..	4	181	132	77	113	48	77	26	32	11	68	2	767	4	16	1	246	0	1	68	58	41	48	15	42	13	16	12	46	..	359	128	2	6
Greymouth ..	10	397	289	145	243	81	248	60	82	25	164	14	1,748	11	16	3½	641	9	3½	202	115	67	128	52	158	35	47	18	83	4	909	333	9	6
Hokitika ..	8	247	128	94	126	54	147	47	46	15	110	1	1,015	6	19	11½	357	18	11½	95	82	46	59	22	89	7	18	13	71	3	505	199	8	0
Invercargill ..	31	1,089	797	503	811	408	760	219	268	105	450	20	5,430	37	10	4½	1,930	2	4½	766	510	319	541	272	559	155	187	73	353	18	3,753	1,377	3	6
Napier ..	27	1,458	1,314	668	948	484	829	237	294	131	465	22	6,850	43	10	4	2,189	14	4	992	818	459	644	344	573	178	199	72	310	13	4,602	1,443	6	6
Nelson ..	15	424	313	161	334	141	270	87	71	38	161	1	2,001	13	6	7½	656	7	7½	338	308	223	324	135	293	58	92	43	183	3	2,000	686	17	6
New Plymouth ..	10	736	609	314	460	204	421	142	168	68	269	3	3,394	22	2	2½	1,104	1	8½	524	431	218	306	175	304	116	128	61	182	3	2,448	798	15	6
Oamaru ..	9	391	325	198	286	130	263	76	106	45	149	2	1,971	13	4	6	659	0	6	193	185	74	147	85	186	45	59	32	124	1	1,131	423	15	6
Thames ..	15	862	806	498	752	325	656	175	258	74	380	5	4,791	32	7	5	1,608	13	5	348	293	136	248	112	279	55	111	18	162	6	1,768	625	5	0
Timaru ..	12	580	374	212	408	174	422	107	146	63	259	7	2,752	19	10	2	1,006	16	2	338	201	96	201	93	240	57	78	26	208	5	1,543	598	19	6
Wanganui ..	23	1,429	1,303	810	988	469	925	233	320	133	587	6	7,203	46	15	6	2,321	11	6	826	617	398	550	244	499	129	180	68	346	2	3,859	1,246	19	0
Wellington ..	50	3,342	2,317	1,372	2,226	954	2,247	503	744	223	1,436	43	15,407	104	17	1½	5,373	9	7½	4,032	3,125	1,815	3,111	1,228	2,839	627	865	291	1,819	53	19,805	6,699	17	0
Westport ..	15	260	267	200	239	132	211	86	74	44	133	5	1,651	11	10	0	590	0	6	62	87	39	72	32	69	21	34	14	59	6	495	218	17	6
Total 4th quarter in 1896	433	19,242	15,485	8,863	13,578	6,189	12,945	3,417	4,402	1,686	8,240	251	94,298	635	12	3½	32,462	4	3½	19,004	15,463	8,851	13,562	6,164	12,905	3,435	4,389	1,705	8,288	256	94,022	31,869	6	0
Total 4th quarter in 1895	411	17,179	13,981	8,474	12,328	5,613	12,089	3,300	4,225	1,712	8,450	386	87,737	605	18	0	31,913	6	0	17,010	13,870	8,282	12,223	5,623	12,045	3,225	4,207	1,670	8,336	380	86,871	30,981	0	0

General Post Office,
Wellington, 25th January, 1897.

W. GRAY,
Secretary.

Rainfall for December, 1896.

Station.	Observer.	Total Fall, in Inches.	Days of Rain.	Maximum Fall, and Date (for Previous Twenty-four Hours).
NORTH ISLAND.				
(A.) NORTH-EAST ASPECT—NORTH CAPE TO EAST CAPE.				
Parengarenga	A. R. Crane	0.06	1	0.06 on 19th.
Pakarakā	Hon. H. Williams, M.L.C. ..	1.15	8	0.47 on 19th.
Parua Bay	D. Davidson	0.93	4	0.51 on 22nd.
Auckland	Government Observer	0.88	6	0.28 on 19th.
Cuvier Island	Lightkeeper .. .. .	..	..	..
Te Aroha*	P. Snewin*	1.92	4	0.90 on 21st.
Katikati	L. A. Shadwell	0.77	4	0.27 on 18th.
Rotorua	Dr. Ginders	1.29	7	0.83 on 20th.
(B.) NORTH-WEST ASPECT—CAPE MARIA VAN DIEMEN TO CAPE EGDMONT.				
Kaitia†	W. G. Puckey	1.36	3	0.99 on 22nd.
Okaihau	H. C. Burleigh	0.91	7	0.34 on 18th.
Awakino	N. A. Robison	1.73	4	1.02 on 20th.
Raglan	H. V. Rutherford	1.03	5	0.55 on 18th.
Te Kopua (Waikato)	H. Young	0.75	3	0.45 on 17th.
New Plymouth	E. Veale	1.70	7	0.73 on 18th.
Inglewood	Miss E. Trimble	3.90	7	1.88 on 21st.
Ngatimaru	Miss A. Hutchinson	4.68	6	1.38 on 21st.
(C.) SOUTH-WEST ASPECT—CAPE EGDMONT TO CAPE TERAWHITI.				
Opuhi	D. Wilkie	1.16	5	0.96 on 18th.
Upper Waitotara	E. F. Liffiton	1.77	7	0.82 on 18th.
Omata Valley	C. Forde	1.80	4	1.10 on 18th.
Stratford	Miss Bobin	2.28	7	1.09 on 18th.
Opunake	A. H. Moore	1.48	6	1.20 on 18th.
Manaia	G. A. Hurley	0.91	3	0.85 on 18th.
Hawera	J. Livingston	0.95	3	0.68 on 18th.
Kaponga	C. Maclean	1.10	2	1.04 on 18th.
Wanganui	H. S. Seager	1.80	4	0.78 on 18th.
Kaitoke	A. Wyehodil	1.24	5	0.64 on 18th.
No. 2 Line (Wanganui)	H. I. Jones	1.58	5	0.74 on 18th.
Raetihi (Wanganui)	G. T. Murray	1.43	8	0.48 on 18th.
Parapara School (Wanganui)	J. Katters Manning .. .. .	..	..	..
Campbelltown	H. Sanson	1.57	4	0.82 on 20th.
Feilding	S. Goodbehere	1.61	4	0.92 on 21st.
Erehwon	W. J. Birch	1.52	7	0.70 on 1st.
Ruanui	J. F. Studholme	0.74	5	0.40 on 23rd.
Colyton	R. L. Pudney	2.08	5	1.18 on 21st.
West Waitapu	J. Gurflee	1.59	7	0.56 on 18th.
Ashurst	H. Barnes	1.72	3	0.96 on 21st.
Bull's	Miss M. E. C. Keiller	1.07	4	0.53 on 21st.
Palmerston North	Captain Brown	1.51	6	0.80 on 21st.
State Farm (Levin)	O. J. Blaine	1.64	9	0.62 on 21st.
Otaki	M. H. Ayre	1.69	9	0.90 on 20th.
Kereru	C. A. Muggleton	1.61	4	0.63 on 21st.
Pukerua	W. Bell	2.09	6	0.90 on 16th.
(D.) SOUTH-EAST ASPECT—EAST CAPE TO CAPE PALLISER.				
Waipiro	J. S. Dodgshun	1.01	2	0.96 on 1st.
Tolago Bay	A. Reeves	0.83	3	0.43 on 16th.
Gisborne	H. W. Williams	0.65	6	0.32 on 1st.
Matahiia	F. J. Kemp	1.50	2	1.38 on 1st.
Whakawhitira	H. W. Guthrie-Smith	0.73	3	0.53 on 1st.
Patutahi	H. N. Watson	0.80	4	0.49 on 1st.
Maraetaha	J. Woodbine Johnson	0.86	4	0.50 on 1st.
Waikaremoana	A. Mills .. .. .	..	..	..
Rakamoana	J. Moore	3.47	13	1.21 on 21st.
Tiniroto	J. Cook .. .. .	..	..	..
Mahia	G. C. Ormond .. .. .	..	..	..
Petane	W. H. Smith	1.47	6	0.76 on 1st.
Napier	E. Lyndon	0.92	4	0.75 on 21st.
Hastings	J. N. Williams .. .. .	..	..	..
Te Aute	S. B. Ludbrook	1.48	4	0.87 on 1st.
Maraekakaho	A. Lockie	0.99	5	0.81 on 1st.
Te Kowhai	J. H. Absalom	2.70	9	1.06 on 1st.
Mangakuri	G. C. Williams	0.27	2	0.16 on 1st.
Tutira Lake	H. Guthrie-Smith	2.87	6	1.52 on 22nd.
Gwavas	J. Nicoll	1.28	7	0.92 on 1st.
Mount Vernon	R. Harding	0.90	9	0.36 on 9th.
Waimarama	Thomas R. Moore	0.10	1	0.10 on 21st.
Ormondville	J. C. Westall	1.03	6	0.54 on 23rd.
Pahiatua	W. Tosswill	0.85	3	0.60 on 18th.
Newman	W. H. Herbert	2.40	9	0.87 on 18th.
Otauaoc	Miss E. A. D. Bennett	0.60	5	0.30 on 21st.
Masterton	B. Couborne	0.29	2	0.26 on 21st.
Carterton	H. Braithwaite	0.82	5	0.46 on 21st.
Featherston	G. G. Wellsted	0.95	2	0.75 on 19th.
Summit	M. Cronin	2.98	7	1.08 on 21st.
Upper Hutt	M. Maher	4.00	5	1.00 on 17th, 18th, and 20th.
Taita	T. Mason	2.87	7	0.84 on 21st.
Wainuiomata	J. Quaintance	2.34	4	0.79 on 21st.
Petone	Sir J. Hector	2.52	6	0.94 on 21st.
Wellington	Government Observer	2.61	10	0.90 on 17th.
Karori	W. Edmonds	2.33	8	0.88 on 17th.
Late returns—				
* November .. .. .	.. .. .	0.77	4	0.25 on 5th.
† November .. .. .	.. .. .	1.13	8	0.40 on 13th.

Rainfall for December—continued.

Station.	Observer.	Total Fall, in Inches.	Days of Rain.	Maximum Fall, and Date (for previous Twenty-four Hours).
SOUTH ISLAND.				
(A.) NORTH ASPECT—CAPE CAMPBELL TO KAIKOURA.				
Nelson	Dr. Hudson	2.06	5	0.87 on 17th.
Stephens Island	Lightkeeper	1.99	5	0.60 on 18th and 20th.
The Brothers	Lightkeeper	1.53	5	0.58 on 17th.
Blenheim	N. Prichard	1.96	5	0.73 on 21st.
Cape Campbell	Lightkeeper	2.12	6	1.05 on 16th.
Flaxbourne	W. Tatchell	1.24	7	0.33 on 16th.
Kekerangu	W. J. White	1.72	7	0.60 on 24th.
Kaikoura	Miss G. Collins	1.21	3	0.50 on 1st and 21st.
(B.) WEST ASPECT—CAPE FAREWELL TO PUYSEGUR POINT.				
Farewell Spit	Lightkeeper	1.14	5	0.62 on 18th.
Pakawau	T. C. V. Field	3.23	10	1.03 on 21st.
Westport	H. S. Ewan	6.54	11	1.24 on 17th.
Ngahere	J. Scott	5.81	14	1.10 on 16th.
Greymouth	J. Conner	7.01	16	1.75 on 17th.
Hokitika	A. D. Macfarlane	7.56	10	2.42 on 17th.
Bealey	C. White	0.90	2	0.55 on 17th.
Dusky Sound	R. Henry .. .. .	..	..	..
(C.) EAST ASPECT—KAIKOURA TO CAPE SAUNDERS.				
Waiau	J. A. Northcote	0.25	1	0.25 on 12th.
Cheviot	W. Anderson	0.23	5	0.14 on 31st.
Akaroa	Miss Jacobson	1.92	5	1.20 on 18th.
Port Hills (Christchurch)	Miss M. L. Higgins	0.61	4	0.30 on 18th.
Christchurch	A. L. Taylor	0.62	5	0.32 on 18th.
Linwood	J. A. Biltcliff	0.88	8	0.33 on 18th.
Lincoln	C. O. Lillie	0.48	6	0.31 on 18th.
Southbridge	J. McMillan	0.28	4	0.13 on 31st. [31st.
Hororata	Hon. Sir J. Hall, K.C.M.G.	0.18	8	0.03 on 15th, 23rd, and
Kapunatiki	Hon. W. Rolleston	0.81	8	0.56 on 18th.
Mt. Peel	Miss L. A. D. Acland	1.32	12	0.32 on 23rd.
Peel Forest	W. E. Barker	1.87	10	0.54 on 18th.
Methven	H. G. Baker	0.54	6	0.14 on 1st.
Drayton (Methven)	E. Chapman	0.60	6	0.23 on 1st.
Ashburton	A. E. Hart	0.34	2	0.27 on 18th.
Timaru	C. H. Inglis .. .. .	..	..	..
Fairlie	D. H. Gillingham	0.39	8	0.16 on 30th.
Geraldine	Captain E. F. Temple	0.87	9	0.43 on 18th.
Oamaru	E. Menlove	1.10	8	0.52 on 20th.
Maheno	R. A. Chaffey	0.64	8	0.19 on 21st.
(D.) SOUTH ASPECT—CAPE SAUNDERS TO PUYSEGUR POINT.				
Macetown	W. J. Stanford	0.95	6	0.40 on 30th.
Queenstown	L. Hotop	0.99	3	0.46 on 22nd.
St. Bathans	J. Ewing	0.61	7	0.23 on 30th.
Middlemarch	D. Crawford .. .. .	..	..	..
Gladbrook Station	D. Crawford	1.29	7	0.36 on 30th.
Kokonga	R. W. Glendinning	0.96	8	0.35 on 21st.
Dunedin	Government Observer	1.35	13	0.30 on 18th.
Kaitangata	W. M. Shore	3.15	7	1.91 on 30th.
Balclutha	C. C. Halliday	2.88	7	1.50 on 30th.
Naseby	G. L. Stewart	0.81	7	0.33 on 18th.
Clyde	L. D. Macgeorge	0.76	4	0.33 on 17th.
Wyndham	W. H. Rodney	3.13	6	1.70 on 30th.
Dipton	R. D. MacLachlan	2.90	6	1.60 on 30th.
Ratanui	G. M. Draper	3.73	13	1.05 on 30th.
Invercargill	J. L. Bush	2.33	10	0.92 on 31st.
Otautau	N. A. McLaren	4.07	9	1.41 on 30th.
Nightcaps	J. Ritchie	3.67	8	2.00 on 29th.
Puysegur Point	Lightkeeper	19.00	16	8.30 on 30th.
Chatham Islands*	A. Shand	0.68	5	0.25 on 22nd.
*Late returns—				
October .. .. .	.. .. .	2.82	18	0.96 on 1st.
November .. .. .	.. .. .	2.35	20	1.18 on 16th.

Bankruptcy Notices.

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

NOTICE is hereby given that ARCHIBALD HENRY BELL, of Whangarei, Storekeeper, was this day adjudged bankrupt; and I hereby summon a meeting of creditors, to be holden at my office, on Monday, the 25th day of January, 1897, at 11 o'clock.

16th January, 1897.

J. LAWSON,
Official Assignee.

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

NOTICE is hereby given that ROBERT Low, of Riversdale, Saddler, was this day adjudged bankrupt; and I hereby summon a meeting of creditors, to be holden at the Courthouse, Gore, on the 26th day of January, 1897, at 2.15 o'clock.

Invercargill, 15th January, 1897.

CHARLES ROUT,
Deputy Official Assignee.

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

NOTICE is hereby given that SAMUEL BLACKWOOD NELSON, of Ashburton, Carpenter, was this day adjudged bankrupt; and I hereby summon a meeting of creditors, to be holden at my office, on the 1st day of February, 1897, at 11.30 o'clock in the forenoon.

25th January, 1897.

JOHN DAVISON,
Deputy Official Assignee.

Mining Notices.

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY

Name of company: The Enterprise Gold-dredging Company (No Liability).
When formed, and date of registration: 24th August, 1891.
Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
Where business is conducted, and name of Manager: Rattray Street, Dunedin; C. S. Reeves.

Nominal capital: £3,000.
Amount of capital subscribed: £2,000.
Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £2,000.
Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): £2,000.
Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: Nil.
Number of shares into which capital is divided: 3,000.
Number of shares allotted: 2,000.
Amount paid up per share: £1.
Amount called up per share: £1.
Number and amount of calls in arrear: Nil.
Number of shares forfeited: Nil.
Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: Nil.
Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 7.
Present number of shareholders: 16.
Number of men employed by company: 7.
Quantity and value of gold produced during year: 831oz. 12dwt. 10gr.; £3,201 15s. 10d.
Total quantity and value of gold produced since registration: 1,995oz. 11dwt. 21gr.; £7,682 18s. 5d.
Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £2,443 6s. 4d.
Total expenditure since registration: £8,644 3s. 2d.
Total amount of dividends declared: £900.
Total amount of dividends paid: £900.
Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.
Amount of cash at banker's: £138 15s. 3d.
Amount of cash in hand: Nil.
Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.
Amount of debts considered good: Nil.
Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): Nil.

I, Charles Stephen Reeves, of Dunedin, the Manager of the Enterprise Gold-dredging Company (No Liability), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company at the 31st day of December, 1896; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

CHAS. S. REEVES,
Manager.

Declared at Dunedin, this 14th day of January, 1897, before me—James Hazlett, J.P. 111

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: The Katie Gold-mining Company (Limited).
When formed, and date of registration: 21st October, 1896.
Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: 58, Queen Street, Auckland; William T. J. Bell.
Nominal capital: £5,000.
Amount of capital subscribed: £5,000.
Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £774 3s. 4d.
Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): £1,711 15s. 4d.; £774 3s. 4d.
Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: £2,500.
Number of shares into which capital is divided: 100,000.
Number of shares allotted: 100,000.
Amount paid per share: 1d. on 10,350, 2d. on 2,500, 3d. on 2,850, 4d. on 5,650, 350 c. 8d., 10d. on 13,650.
Amount called up per share: 1d. on 25,000, 4d. on 11,000, 10d. on 14,000.
Number and amount of calls in arrear: 2; £96 13s. 4d.
Number of shares forfeited: Nil.
Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: Nil.
Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 35.
Present number of shareholders: 170.
Number of men employed by company: 7.
Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preceding year: Nil.
Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration: Nil.
Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £786 16s. 7d.
Total expenditure since registration: £1,015 13s. 1d.
Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.
Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.
Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.
Amount of cash at banker's: Nil.
Amount of cash in hand: Nil.
Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.
Amount of debts considered good: Nil.
Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): Nil.

I, William T. J. Bell, of Auckland, the Manager of the Katie Gold-mining Company (Limited), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company at the 31st day of December, 1896; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

WILLIAM T. J. BELL,
Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 19th day of January, 1897, before me—D. B. McDonald, J.P. 137

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Waihi El-Dorado Gold-mining Company (No Liability).
When formed, and date of registration: 8th June, 1896.
Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: 58, Queen Street, Auckland; William T. J. Bell.
Nominal capital: £10,000.
Amount of capital subscribed: £7,000.
Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: Nil.
Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): Nil.
Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: Nil.
Number of shares into which capital is divided: 100,000.
Number of shares allotted: 70,000.
Amount paid up per share: Nil.
Amount called up per share: Nil.
Number and amount of calls in arrear: Nil.
Number of shares forfeited: Nil.
Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: Nil.
Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 42.
Present number of shareholders: 76.
Number of men employed by company: 4.
Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preceding year: Nil.
Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration: Nil.
Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £380 17s. 8d.

Total expenditure since registration : £480 16s. 2d.
 Total amount of dividends declared : Nil.
 Total amount of dividends paid : Nil.
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends : Nil.
 Amount of cash at banker's : £19 3s. 10d.
 Amount of cash in hand : Nil.
 Amount of debts directly due to company : Nil.
 Amount of debts considered good : Nil.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any) : Nil.

I, William Thomas James Bell, of Auckland, the Manager of the Waihi El-Dorado Gold-mining Company (No Liability), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company on the 31st day of December, 1896; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

WILLIAM T. J. BELL,
 Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 19th day of January, 1897,
 before me—D. B. McDonald, J.P. 138

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company : Albert Gold-mining Company (No Liability).
 When formed, and date of registration : 17th June, 1896; 9th July, 1896.
 Whether in active operation or not : In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager : New Zealand Insurance Buildings, Auckland; Henry Gilfillan, jun.
 Nominal capital : £12,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed : £12,000.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash : £1,225, being proceeds derived from sale of promoters' shares.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any) : Nil.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid : Nil.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided : 80,000.
 Number of shares allotted : 80,000.
 Amount paid up per share : Equivalent to £1,225, being proceeds derived from sale of promoters' shares.
 Amount called up per share : Nil.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear : Nil.
 Number of forfeited shares : Nil.
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same : Nil.
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company : 59.

Present number of shareholders : 186.
 Number of men employed by company : 6.
 Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preceding year : Nil.
 Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration : Nil.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year : £681 10s. 2d.
 Total expenditure since registration : £681 10s. 2d.
 Total amount of dividends declared : Nil.
 Total amount of dividends paid : Nil.
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends : Nil.
 Amount of cash at banker's : £558 12s. 10d.
 Amount of cash in hand : 18s.
 Amount of debts directly due to company : Nil.
 Amount of debts considered good : Nil.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any) : £57 18s. 2d.

I, Henry Gilfillan, jun., of Auckland, Manager of the Albert Gold-mining Company (No Liability), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company at the 31st day of December, 1896; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

H. GILFILLAN, JUN.,
 Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 20th day of January, 1897,
 before me—Frederick L. Prime, J.P. 139

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company : Adelaide Gold-mining Company (No Liability).
 When formed, and date of registration : 4th September, 1895; 1st November, 1895.
 Whether in active operation or not : In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager : New Zealand Insurance Buildings, Auckland; Henry Gilfillan, jun.

Nominal capital : £20,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed : £15,000.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash : £3,227 4s. 10d., including £1,011 9s. 8d., being proceeds derived from sale of promoters' shares.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any) : Nil.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid : Nil.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided : 80,000.
 Number of shares allotted : 60,000.
 Amount paid per share : 10d., and also equivalent to £1,011 9s. 8d., being proceeds derived from sale of promoters' shares.
 Amount called up per share : 10d.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear : 40; £156 1s. 10d.
 Number of shares forfeited : 8,000.
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same : 8,000; £48 15s.
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company : 42.
 Present number of shareholders : 149.
 Number of men employed by company : 10.
 Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preceding year : 3oz. 3dwt.; £8 16s. 5d.
 Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration : 38oz. 17dwt. 12gr.; £118 13s. 7d.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year : £2,537 9s.
 Total expenditure since registration : £3,307 17s.
 Total amount of dividends declared : Nil.
 Total amount of dividends paid : Nil.
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends : Nil.
 Amount of cash at banker's : £266 19s. 7d.
 Amount of cash in hand : £5.
 Amount of debts directly due to company : £156 1s. 10d.
 Amount of debts considered good : £156 1s. 10d.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any) : £254 2s. 2d.

I, Henry Gilfillan, jun., of Auckland, the Manager of the Adelaide Gold-mining Company (No Liability), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company at the 31st day of December, 1896; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

H. GILFILLAN, JUN.,
 Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 20th day of January, 1897,
 before me—Frederick L. Prime, J.P. 140

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company : British Empire Gold-mining Company (No Liability).
 When formed, and date of registration : 29th August, 1895; 12th October, 1895.
 Whether in active operation or not : In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager : New Zealand Insurance Buildings, Auckland; Henry Gilfillan, jun.
 Nominal capital : £9,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed : £9,000.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash : £1,479 15s. 10d., including £1,200, being proceeds derived from sale of promoters' shares.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any) : Nil.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid : Nil.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided : 60,000.
 Number of shares allotted : 60,000.
 Amount paid per share : 2d., and also equivalent to £1,200, being proceeds derived from sale of promoters' shares.
 Amount called up per share : 2d.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear : 97; £220 4s. 2d.
 Number of shares forfeited : Nil.
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same : Nil.
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company : 57.
 Present number of shareholders : 106.
 Number of men employed by company : 6.
 Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preceding year : Nil.
 Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration : Nil.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year : £1,113 1s. 6d.
 Total expenditure since registration : £1,571 11s. 5d.
 Total amount of dividends declared : Nil.

Total amount of dividends paid : Nil.
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends : Nil.
 Amount of cash at banker's : Nil.
 Amount of cash in hand : £4 3s. 4d.
 Amount of debts directly due to company : £220 4s. 2d.
 Amount of debts considered good : £220 4s. 2d.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any) : £108 1s. 5d.

I, Henry Gilfillan, jun., of Auckland, the Manager of the British Empire Gold-mining Company (No Liability), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company at the 31st day of December, 1896; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

H. GILFILLAN, JUN.,
 Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 20th day of January, 1897,
 before me—Frederick L. Prime, J.P. 141

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company : Crescent Gold-mining Company (No Liability).
 When formed, and date of registration : 22nd August, 1895; 9th January, 1896.
 Whether in active operation or not : In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager : New Zealand Insurance Buildings, Auckland; Henry Gilfillan, jun.
 Nominal capital : £22,500.
 Amount of capital subscribed : £21,000.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash : £1,056 17s. 1d., including £900, being proceeds derived from sale of promoters' shares.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any) : Nil.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid : Nil.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided : 150,000.
 Number of shares allotted : 140,000.
 Amount paid up per share : ½d., and also equivalent to £900, being proceeds derived from sale of promoters' shares.
 Amount called up per share : ½d.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear : 81; £134 16s. 3d.
 Number of shares forfeited : Nil.
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same : Nil.
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company : 46.
 Present number of shareholders : 218.
 Number of men employed by company : 6.
 Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preceding year : Nil.
 Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration : Nil.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year : £1,331 6s. 3d.
 Total expenditure since registration : £1,331 6s. 3d.
 Total amount of dividends declared : Nil.
 Total amount of dividends paid : Nil.
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends : Nil.
 Amount of cash at banker's : £89 4s. 10d.
 Amount of cash in hand : £1 13s. 4d.
 Amount of debts directly due to company : £134 16s. 3d.
 Amount of debts considered good : £134 16s. 3d.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any) : £22 12s. 6d.

I, Henry Gilfillan, jun., of Auckland, Manager of the Crescent Gold-mining Company (No Liability), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company at the 31st day of December, 1896; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

H. GILFILLAN, JUN.,
 Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 20th day of January, 1897,
 before me—Frederick L. Prime, J.P. 142

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company : Coromandel Freehold Proprietary Gold-mining Company (No Liability).
 When formed, and date of registration : 20th September, 1895; 11th November, 1895.
 Whether in active operation or not : Not in active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager : New Zealand Insurance Buildings, Auckland; Henry Gilfillan, jun.

Nominal capital : £18,750.
 Amount of capital subscribed : £18,750.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash : £10,000, being proceeds derived from sale of promoters' shares.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any) : Nil.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid : Nil.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided : 150,000.
 Number of shares allotted : 150,000.
 Amount paid up per share : Equivalent to £10,000, being proceeds derived from sale of promoters' shares.
 Amount called up per share : Nil.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear : Nil.
 Number of shares forfeited : Nil.
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same : Nil.
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company : 123.
 Present number of shareholders : 208.
 Number of men employed by company : 8.
 Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preceding year : Nil.
 Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration : Nil.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year : £385 9s.
 Total expenditure since registration : £10,523 3s. 6d.
 Total amount of dividends declared : Nil.
 Total amount of dividends paid : Nil.
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends : Nil.
 Amount of cash at banker's : £3 3s. 4d.
 Amount of cash in hand : Nil.
 Amount of debts directly due to company : Nil.
 Amount of debts considered good : Nil.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any) : £28 14s. 4d.

I, Henry Gilfillan, jun., of Auckland, the Manager of the Coromandel Freehold Proprietary Gold-mining Company (No Liability), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company at the 31st day of December, 1896; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

H. GILFILLAN, JUN.,
 Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 20th day of January, 1897,
 before me—Frederick L. Prime, J.P. 143

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company : Imperial Gold-mining Company (No Liability).
 When formed, and date of registration : 25th January, 1895; 22nd February, 1895.
 Whether in active operation or not : In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager : New Zealand Insurance Buildings, Auckland; Henry Gilfillan, jun.
 Nominal capital : £11,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed : £10,000.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash : £2,166 13s. 4d. (including £500, being proceeds derived from sale of promoters' shares).
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any) : £208 6s. 8d.; Nil.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid : £208 6s. 8d.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided : 110,000.
 Number of shares allotted : 100,000.
 Amount paid up per share : 5d., and also equivalent to £500, being proceeds derived from sale of promoters' shares.
 Amount called up per share : 5d.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear : Nil.
 Number of shares forfeited : Nil.
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same : Nil.
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company : 44.
 Present number of shareholders : 268.
 Number of men employed by company : 5.
 Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preceding year : Nil.
 Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration : 2oz. 8dwt.; £2 0s. 4d.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year : £1,077 17s. 10d.
 Total expenditure since registration : £2,456 2s. 1d.
 Total amount of dividends declared : Nil.
 Total amount of dividends paid : Nil.
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends : Nil.

Amount of cash at banker's: £538 Os. 3d.
 Amount of cash in hand: Nil.
 Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.
 Amount of debts considered good: Nil.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): £14 14s.

I, Henry Gilfillan, jun., of Auckland, the Manager of the Imperial Gold-mining Company (No Liability), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company on the 31st day of December, 1896; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

H. GILFILLAN, JUN.,
 Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 20th day of January, 1897,
 before me—Frederick L. Prime, J.P. 144

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: The Waipuru Gold-mining Company (No Liability).
 When formed, and date of registration: 2nd July, 1896; 21st August, 1896.
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: New Zealand Insurance Buildings, Auckland; Henry Gilfillan, jun.
 Nominal capital: £3,750.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £3,750.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £270 7s. 2d., being proceeds derived from calls on promoters' shares.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): Nil.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: Nil.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 50,000.
 Number of shares allotted: 50,000.
 Amount paid up per share: Equivalent to £270 7s. 2d., being proceeds derived from calls on promoters' shares.
 Amount called up per share: Nil.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: Nil.
 Number of shares forfeited: Nil.
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: Nil.
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 29.
 Present number of shareholders: 49.
 Number of men employed by company: 4.
 Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preceding year: Nil.
 Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration: Nil.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £262 Os. 3d.
 Total expenditure since registration: £262 Os. 3d.
 Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.
 Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.
 Amount of cash at banker's: £8 6s. 11d.
 Amount of cash in hand: Nil.
 Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.
 Amount of debts considered good: Nil.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): Nil.

I, Henry Gilfillan, jun., of Auckland, the Manager of the Waipuru Gold-mining Company (No Liability), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company at the 31st day of December, 1896; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

H. GILFILLAN, JUN.,
 Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 20th day of January, 1897,
 before me—Frederick L. Prime, J.P. 145

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Waihi Pinnacles Gold-mining Company (No Liability).
 When formed and date of registration: 25th June, 1896; 6th August, 1896.
 Whether in active operation or not: Not in active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: New Zealand Insurance Buildings, Auckland; Henry Gilfillan, jun.
 Nominal capital: £11,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £11,000.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £1,200, being proceeds derived from sale of promoters' shares.

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Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): £5,000; Nil.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: £5,000.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 220,000.
 Number of shares allotted: 220,000.
 Amount paid up per share: Equivalent to £1,200 shares, being proceeds derived from sale of promoters' shares.
 Amount called up per share: Nil.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: Nil.
 Number of shares forfeited: Nil.
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: Nil.
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 67.
 Present number of shareholders: 91.
 Number of men employed by company: 10.
 Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preceding year: Nil.
 Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration: Nil.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £1,193 12s. 2d.
 Total expenditure since registration: £1,193 12s. 2d.
 Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.
 Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.
 Amount of cash at banker's: £6 7s. 10d.
 Amount of cash in hand: Nil.
 Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.
 Amount of debts considered good: Nil.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): £52 Os. 11d.

I, Henry Gilfillan, jun., of Auckland, the Manager of the Waihi Pinnacles Gold-mining Company (No Liability), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company at the 31st day of December, 1896; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

H. GILFILLAN, JUN.,
 Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 20th day of January, 1897,
 before me—Frederick L. Prime, J.P. 146

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Royal Gold-mining Company (Limited).
 When formed, and date of registration: 15th March, 1895; 21st March, 1895.
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Legal Chambers, Auckland; Wm. Clarke.
 Nominal capital: £12,500.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £12,500.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £312 10s.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): Nil.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: Nil.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 50,000.
 Number of shares allotted: 50,000.
 Amount paid up per share: Nil.
 Amount called up per share: 1½d.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: Nil.
 Number of shares forfeited: Nil.
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: Nil.
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 20.
 Present number of shareholders: 89.
 Number of men employed by company: 8.
 Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preceding year: Nil.
 Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration: £53 9s. 2d.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year:
 Total expenditure since registration: £417 15s. 7d.
 Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.
 Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.
 Amount of overdraft at banker's: £51 16s. 5d.
 Amount of cash in hand:
 Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.
 Amount of debts considered good: Nil.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): Nil.

I, William Clarke, of Auckland, the Manager of the Royal Gold-mining Company (Limited), do solemnly and

sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company at the 31st day of December, 1896; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

WM. CLARKE,
Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 20th day of January, 1897,
before me—Frederick L. Prime, J.P. 147

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Sunlight Gold-mining Company (No Liability).
When formed, and date of registration: 30th October, 1896; 9th December, 1896.
Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Legal Chambers, Auckland; Wm. Clarke.
Nominal capital: £20,000.
Amount of capital subscribed: £15,000.
Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: Nil.
Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): Nil.
Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: Nil.
Number of shares into which capital is divided: 100,000.
Number of shares allotted: 75,000.
Amount paid up per share: Nil.
Amount called up per share:
Number and amount of calls in arrear: Nil.
Number of shares forfeited: Nil.
Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: Nil.
Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 76.
Present number of shareholders: 77.
Number of men employed by company: 4.
Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preceding year: Nil.
Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration: Nil.
Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £65 1s. 7d.
Total expenditure since registration: £82 12s. 1d.
Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.
Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.
Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.
Amount of cash at banker's: £997 7s. 11d.
Amount of cash in hand:
Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.
Amount of debts considered good: Nil.
Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): Nil.

I, William Clarke, of Auckland, the Manager of the Sunlight Gold-mining Company, do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company on the 31st day of December, 1896; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

WM. CLARKE,
Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 20th day of January, 1897,
before me—Frederick L. Prime, J.P. 148

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Big Reef Gold-mining Company (No Liability).
When formed, and date of registration: 27th July, 1896; 2nd September, 1896.
Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Legal Chambers, Auckland; William Clarke.
Nominal capital: £6,000.
Amount of capital subscribed: £6,000.
Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: Nil.
Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): Nil.
Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: Nil.
Number of shares into which capital is divided: 120,000.
Number of shares allotted: 120,000.
Amount paid up per share: Nil.
Amount called up per share:
Number and amount of calls in arrear: Nil.
Number of shares forfeited: Nil.

Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: Nil.

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

Present number of shareholders: 53.

Number of men employed by company: 4.

Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preceding year: Nil.

Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration: Nil.

Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £135 12s. 10d.

Total expenditure since registration: £251 1s. 11d.

Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.

Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.

Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.

Amount of cash at banker's: £114 13s.

Amount of cash in hand: Nil.

Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.

Amount of debts considered good: Nil.

Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): Nil.

I, William Clarke, of Auckland, the Manager of the Big Reef Gold-mining Company, do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the company at the 31st day of December, 1896; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

WM. CLARKE,
Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 20th day of January, 1897,
before me—Frederick L. Prime, J.P. 149

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Esperanza Gold-mining Company (No Liability).
When formed, and date of registration: 19th May, 1896; 4th June, 1896.
Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Legal Chambers, Auckland; William Clarke.
Nominal capital: £12,000.
Amount of capital subscribed: £9,000.
Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: Nil.
Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): Nil.
Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: Nil.
Number of shares into which capital is divided: 80,000.
Number of shares allotted: 60,000.
Amount paid up per share: Nil.
Amount called up per share: Nil.
Number and amount of calls in arrear: Nil.
Number of shares forfeited: Nil.
Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: Nil.
Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 47.
Present number of shareholders: 54.
Number of men employed by company: 4.
Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preceding year: Nil.
Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration: Nil.
Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £433 19s. 1d.
Total expenditure since registration: £677 6s. 1d.
Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.
Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.
Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.
Amount of cash at banker's: £222 13s. 11d.
Amount of cash in hand: Nil.
Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.
Amount of debts considered good: Nil.
Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): Nil.

I, William Clarke, of Auckland, the Manager of the Esperanza Gold-mining Company, do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company at the 31st day of December, 1896; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

WILLIAM CLARKE,
Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 20th day of January, 1897,
before me—Frederick L. Prime, J.P. 150

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Waitekauri No. 2 Gold-mining Company (No Liability).
 When formed, and date of registration: 22nd August, 1895; 11th September, 1895.
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Legal Chambers, Auckland; William Clarke.
 Nominal capital: £18,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £16,905.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £469 11s. 8d.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): Nil.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: Nil.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 120,000.
 Number of shares allotted: 112,700.
 Amount paid up per share: Nil.
 Amount called up per share: 1d.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: Nil.
 Number of shares forfeited: 1,750.
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: 1,750; £54 13s. 9d.
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 74.
 Present number of shareholders: 381.
 Number of men employed by company: 5.
 Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preceding year: Nil.
 Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration: Nil.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £616 9s. 11d.
 Total expenditure since registration: £1,232 10s. 8d.
 Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.
 Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.
 Amount of cash at banker's: £171 16s. 2d.
 Amount of cash in hand: Nil.
 Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.
 Amount of debts considered good: Nil.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): Nil.

I, William Clarke, of Auckland, the Manager of the Waitekauri No. 2 Gold-mining Company (No Liability), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company on the 31st day of December, 1896; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

WM. CLARKE,
 Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 20th day of January, 1897, before me—Frederick L. Prime, J.P. 151

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Tairua Proprietary Gold-mining Company (No Liability).
 When formed, and date of registration: 3rd July, 1896; 23rd July, 1896.
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Legal Chambers, Auckland; Wm. Clarke.
 Nominal capital: £24,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £22,800.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: Nil.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): Nil.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: Nil.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 96,000.
 Number of shares allotted: 91,200.
 Amount paid per share: Nil.
 Amount called up per share: Nil.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: Nil.
 Number of shares forfeited: Nil.
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: Nil.
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 49.
 Present number of shareholders: 122.
 Number of men employed by company: 6.
 Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preceding year: Nil.
 Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration: Nil.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £337 5s. 11d.

Total expenditure since registration: £423 5s. 7d.
 Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.
 Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.
 Amount of cash at banker's: £776 14s. 5d.
 Amount of cash in hand: Nil.
 Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.
 Amount of debts considered good: Nil.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): Nil.

I, William Clarke, of Auckland, the Manager of the Tairua Proprietary Gold-mining Company, do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company at the 31st day of December, 1896; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

WM. CLARKE,
 Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 20th day of January, 1897, before me—Frederick L. Prime, J.P. 152

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: City of Auckland Gold-mining Company (No Liability).
 When formed, and date of registration: 7th July, 1896; 7th August, 1896.
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Legal Chambers, Auckland; William Clarke.
 Nominal capital: £18,750.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £18,750.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: Nil.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): Nil.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: Nil.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 75,000.
 Number of shares allotted: 75,000.
 Amount paid up per share: Nil.
 Amount called up per share: Nil.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: Nil.
 Number of shares forfeited: Nil.
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: Nil.
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 70.
 Present number of shareholders: 101.
 Number of men employed by company: 7.
 Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preceding year: Nil.
 Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration: Nil.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £544 15s. 4d.
 Total expenditure since registration: £775 8s. 7d.
 Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.
 Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.
 Amount of cash at banker's: £624 11s. 5d.
 Amount of cash in hand: Nil.
 Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.
 Amount of debts considered good: Nil.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): Nil.

I, William Clarke, of Auckland, the Manager of the City of Auckland Gold-mining Company (No Liability), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company on the 31st day of December, 1896; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

WM. CLARKE,
 Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 20th day of January, 1897, before me—Frederick L. Prime, J.P. 153

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Kinsella's Owharoa Freehold Gold-mining Company (No Liability).
 When formed, and date of registration: 23rd December, 1895; 3rd March, 1896.
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Company's Office, Mercantile Chambers, Queen Street, Auckland; William Gray.
 Nominal capital: £37,500.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £23,750.

Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £1,462 10s.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): £1,462 10s.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: £8,037 10s.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 150,000.
 Number of shares allotted: 95,000.
 Amount paid per share: 2s.
 Amount called up per share: Nil.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: Nil.
 Number of shares forfeited: Nil.
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: Nil.
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 89.
 Present number of shareholders: 109.
 Number of men employed by company: 7.
 Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preceding year: Nil.
 Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration: Nil.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: Nil.
 Total expenditure since registration: £1,139 8s. 6d.
 Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.
 Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.
 Amount of cash at banker's: £923 1s. 6d.
 Amount of cash in hand: Nil.
 Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.
 Amount of debts considered good: Nil.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): Nil.

I, William Gray, of Auckland, the Manager of the Kinsella's Owharoa Freehold Gold-mining Company (No Liability), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company at the 31st day of December, 1896; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

WILLIAM GRAY,
 Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 15th day of January, 1897, before me—Frederick L. Prime, J.P. 116

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: King Solomon Gold-mining Company (No Liability).
 When formed, and date of registration: 23th May, 1896; 2nd July, 1896.
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Company's Office, Mercantile Chambers, Queen Street, Auckland; William Gray.
 Nominal capital: £5,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £5,000.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £94 11s. 8d.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): Nil.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: Nil.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 50,000.
 Number of shares allotted: 50,000.
 Amount paid up per share: ½d.
 Amount called up per share: ¾d.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: 4; £11 2s. 11d.
 Number of shares forfeited: 5,300.
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: Nil.
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 33.
 Present number of shareholders: 43.
 Number of men employed by company: Nil.
 Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preceding year: Nil.
 Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration: Nil.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £284 4s. 10d.
 Total expenditure since registration: £284 4s. 10d.
 Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.
 Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.
 Amount of cash at banker's: £80 6s. 10d.
 Amount of cash in hand: Nil.
 Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.
 Amount of debts considered good: Nil.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): Nil.

I, William Gray, of Auckland, the Manager of the King Solomon Gold-mining Company (No Liability), do solemnly

and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company at the 31st day of December, 1896; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

WILLIAM GRAY,
 Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 15th day of January, 1897, before me—Frederick L. Prime, J.P. 117

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Belmont Gold-mining Company (No Liability).
 When formed, and date of registration: 29th June, 1895; 7th August, 1895.
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Company's Office, Mercantile Chambers, Queen Street, Auckland; William Gray.
 Nominal capital: £15,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £12,750.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: Nil.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): Nil.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: Nil.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 120,000.
 Number of shares allotted: 102,000.
 Amount paid up per share: Nil.
 Amount called up per share: Nil.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: Nil.
 Number of shares forfeited: Nil.
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: Nil.
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 46.
 Present number of shareholders: 101.
 Number of men employed by company: 10.
 Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preceding year: Nil.
 Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration: Nil.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £802 0s. 10d.
 Total expenditure since registration: £802 0s. 10d.
 Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.
 Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.
 Amount of cash at banker's: £247 19s. 2d.
 Amount of cash in hand: 17s. 8d.
 Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.
 Amount of debts considered good: Nil.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): Nil.

I, William Gray, of Auckland, the Manager of the Belmont Gold-mining Company (No Liability), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company at the 31st day of December, 1896; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

WILLIAM GRAY,
 Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 15th day of January, 1897, before me—Frederick L. Prime, J.P. 118

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Eureka Gold-mining Company (No Liability).
 When formed, and date of registration: 11th October, 1895; 7th November, 1895.
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Company's Office, Mercantile Chambers, Queen Street, Auckland; William Gray.
 Nominal capital: £7,500.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £7,500.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £51 7s. 1d.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): Nil.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: Nil.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 50,000.
 Number of shares allotted: 50,000.
 Amount paid up per share: ½d.
 Amount called up per share: ¾d.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: 21; £52 16s. 3d.
 Number of shares forfeited: Nil.

Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: Nil.
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 45.
 Present number of shareholders: 57.
 Number of men employed by company: 3.
 Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preceding year: Nil.
 Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration: Nil.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £449 6s. 6d.
 Total expenditure since registration: £656 13s. 2d.
 Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.
 Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.
 Amount of cash at banker's: £37 11s. 11d.
 Amount of cash in hand: 8s. 5d.
 Amount of debts directly due to company: £6 13s. 4d.
 Amount of debts considered good: £6 13s. 4d.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): Nil.

I, William Gray, of Auckland, the Manager of the Eureka Gold-mining Company (No Liability), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company at the 31st day of December, 1896; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

WILLIAM GRAY,
 Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 15th day of January, 1897, before me—Frederick L. Prime, J.P. 115

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Union Jack Gold-mining Company (No Liability).
 When formed, and date of registration; 11th September, 1896; 7th October, 1896.
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Company's Office, Mercantile Chambers, Queen Street, Auckland; William Gray.
 Nominal capital: £9,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £7,396.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: Nil.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): Nil.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: Nil.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 90,000.
 Number of shares allotted: 73,960.
 Amount paid up per share: Nil.
 Amount called up per share: Nil.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: Nil.
 Number of shares forfeited: Nil.
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: Nil.
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 69.
 Present number of shareholders: 67.
 Number of men employed by company: 4.
 Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preceding year: Nil.
 Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration: Nil.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £326 1s. 2d.
 Total expenditure since registration: £326 1s. 2d.
 Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.
 Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.
 Amount of cash at banker's: £467 0s. 4d.
 Amount of cash in hand: £1 14s. 7d.
 Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.
 Amount of debts considered good: Nil.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): Nil.

I, William Gray, of Auckland, the Manager of the Union Jack Gold-mining Company (No Liability), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company at the 31st day of December, 1896; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1892."

WILLIAM GRAY,
 Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 15th day of January, 1897, before me—Frederick L. Prime, J.P. 119

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Boat Harbour Gold-mining Company (No Liability).
 When formed, and date of registration: 6th August, 1896; 5th October, 1896.
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Company's Office, Mercantile Chambers, Queen Street, Auckland; William Gray.
 Nominal capital: £7,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £7,000.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: Nil.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): Nil.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: Nil.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 70,000.
 Number of shares allotted: 70,000.
 Amount paid up per share: Nil.
 Amount called up per share: Nil.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: Nil.
 Number of shares forfeited: Nil.
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: Nil.
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 51.
 Present number of shareholders: 49.
 Number of men employed by company: 3.
 Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preceding year: Nil.
 Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration: Nil.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £235 11s. 2d.
 Total expenditure since registration: £235 11s. 2d.
 Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.
 Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.
 Amount of cash at banker's: £414 8s. 10d.
 Amount of cash in hand: Nil.
 Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.
 Amount of debts considered good: Nil.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): Nil.

I, William Gray, of Auckland, the Manager of the Boat Harbour Gold-mining Company (No Liability), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company at the 31st day of December, 1896; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

WILLIAM GRAY,
 Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 15th day of January, 1897, before me—Frederick L. Prime, J.P. 120

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Mount Catherine Gold-mining Company (Limited).
 When formed, and date of registration: 15th July, 1896; 10th September, 1896.
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Company's office, Mercantile Chambers, Queen Street, Auckland; Wm. Gray.
 Nominal capital: £4,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £4,000.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £331 5s.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): Nil.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: £2,000.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 80,000.
 Number of shares allotted: 80,000.
 Amount paid up per share on 40,000 shares: 1s.
 Amount called up per share on 40,000 shares: 2d.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: 1; £2 1s. 8d.
 Number of shares forfeited: Nil.
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: Nil.
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 68.
 Present number of shareholders: 73.
 Number of men employed by company: 2.
 Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preceding year: Nil.
 Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration: Nil.

Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £351 8s. 3d.
 Total expenditure since registration: £351 8s. 3d.
 Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.
 Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.
 Amount of cash at banker's: Nil.
 Amount of cash in hand: Nil.
 Amount of debts directly due to company: £2 1s. 8d.
 Amount of debts considered good: £2 1s. 8d.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): £20 3s. 3d.

I, William Gray, of Auckland, the Manager of the Mount Catherine Gold-mining Company (Limited), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company at the 31st day of December, 1895; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

WILLIAM GRAY,
 Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 15th day of January, 1897,
 before me—Frederick L. Prime, J.P. 121

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Sterling Gold-mining Company (No Liability).
 When formed, and date of registration: 21st August, 1895; 1st October, 1895.
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Company's office, Mercantile Chambers, Queen Street, Auckland; Wm. Gray.
 Nominal capital: £10,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £8,500.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £1,080.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): Nil.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: Nil.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 100,000.
 Number of shares allotted: 85,000.
 Amount paid up per share: 3d.
 Amount called up per share: 3d.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: Nil.
 Number of shares forfeited: Nil.
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: Nil.
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 53.
 Present number of shareholders: 195.
 Number of men employed by company: 7.
 Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preceding year: Nil.
 Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration: Nil.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £1,276 9s. 3d.
 Total expenditure since registration: £1,608 17s. 11d.
 Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.
 Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.
 Amount of cash at banker's: £171 2s. 1d.
 Amount of cash in hand: Nil.
 Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.
 Amount of debts considered good: Nil.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): Nil.

I, William Gray, of Auckland, the Manager of the Sterling Gold-mining Company (No Liability), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company at the 31st day of December, 1895; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

WILLIAM GRAY,
 Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 15th day of January, 1897,
 before me—Frederick L. Prime, J.P. 113

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Conquering Hero Gold-mining Company (No Liability).
 When formed, and date of registration: 4th October, 1895; 7th November, 1895.
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Company's office, Mercantile Chambers, Queen Street, Auckland; Wm. Gray.

Nominal capital: £80,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £5,700.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £450 4s. 2d.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): Nil.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: Nil.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 80,000.
 Number of shares allotted: 80,000.
 Amount paid per share: Nil.
 Amount called up per share: 2d.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: 16; £24 15s. 10d.
 Number of shares forfeited: 5,950.
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: Nil.
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 42.
 Present number of shareholders: 149.
 Number of men employed by company: 4.
 Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preceding year: Nil.
 Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration: Nil.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £474 6s. 7d.
 Total expenditure since registration: £630 11s. 3d.
 Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.
 Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.
 Amount of cash at banker's: £3 7s. 2d.
 Amount of cash in hand: £1.
 Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.
 Amount of debts considered good: Nil.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): Nil.

I, William Gray, of Auckland, the Manager of the Conquering Hero Gold-mining Company (No Liability), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company at the 31st day of December, 1895; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

WILLIAM GRAY,
 Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 15th day of January, 1897,
 before me—Frederick L. Prime, J.P. 114

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Hauraki No. 2 Gold-mining Company (No Liability).
 When formed, and date of registration: 12th June, 1895; 10th July, 1895.
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: New Zealand Insurance Buildings, Auckland; Henry Gillfillan, jun.
 Nominal capital: £15,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £12,000.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £2,813 5s., including £1,000, being proceeds derived from sale of promoters' shares.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): Nil.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: Nil.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 100,000.
 Number of shares allotted: 80,000.
 Amount paid up per share: 6d., and also equivalent to £1,000, being proceeds derived from sale of promoters' shares.
 Amount called up per share: 6d.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: 56; £136 15s.
 Number of shares forfeited: Nil.
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: Nil.
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 26.
 Present number of shareholders: 207.
 Number of men employed by company: 13.
 Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preceding year: Nil.
 Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration: Nil.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £2,001 19s. 2d.
 Total expenditure since registration: £2,627 13s. 9d.
 Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.
 Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.
 Amount of cash at banker's: £181 8s. 11d.
 Amount of cash in hand: £4 3s. 4d.

Amount of debts directly due to company: £186 15s.
 Amount of debts considered good: £186 15s.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any):
 £257 4s. 3d.

I, Henry Gilfillan, jun., of Auckland, the Manager of the Hauraki No. 2 Gold-mining Company (No Liability), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company on the 31st day of December, 1896; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

H. GILFILLAN, JUN.,
 Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 20th day of January, 1897,
 before me—Frederick L. Prime, J.P. 126

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Clunes Gold-mining Company (No Liability).
 When formed, and date of registration: 13th September, 1895; 29th November, 1895.
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: New Zealand Insurance Buildings, Auckland; Henry Gilfillan, jun.
 Nominal capital: £7,500.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £7,500.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £923 2s. 6d., including £500, being proceeds derived from sale of promoters' shares.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): Nil.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: Nil.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 50,000.
 Number of shares allotted: 50,000.
 Amount paid up per share: 2½d., and also equivalent to £500, being proceeds derived from sale of promoters' shares.
 Amount called up per share: 2½d.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: 71; £97 14s. 2d.
 Number of shares forfeited: Nil.
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: Nil.
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 54.
 Present number of shareholders: 76.
 Number of men employed by company: 5.
 Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preceding year: Nil.
 Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration: Nil.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £790 6s. 3d.
 Total expenditure since registration: £1,094 13s. 4d.
 Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.
 Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.
 Amount of cash at banker's: Nil.
 Amount of cash in hand: Nil.
 Amount of debts directly due to company: £97 14s. 2d.
 Amount of debts considered good: £97 14s. 2d.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): £70 7s. 8d.

I, Henry Gilfillan, jun., of Auckland, the Manager of the Clunes Gold-mining Company (No Liability), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company on the 31st day of December, 1896; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

H. GILFILLAN, JUN.,
 Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 20th day of January, 1897,
 before me—Frederick L. Prime, J.P. 124

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: City of Gisborne Gold-mining Company (No Liability).
 When formed, and date of registration: 2nd March, 1896; 11th September, 1896.
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: New Zealand Insurance Buildings, Auckland; Henry Gilfillan, jun.

Nominal capital: £7,500.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £6,000.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £1,134 7s. 6d., being proceeds derived from sale of promoters' shares.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): Nil.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: Nil.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 100,000.
 Number of shares allotted: 80,000.
 Amount paid up per share: Equivalent to £1,134 7s. 6d., being proceeds derived from sale of promoters' shares.
 Amount called up per share: Nil.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: Nil.
 Number of shares forfeited during year: Nil.
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: Nil.
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 136.
 Present number of shareholders: 147.
 Number of men employed by company: 6.
 Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preceding year: Nil.
 Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration: Nil.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £841 3s. 4d.
 Total expenditure since registration: £841 3s. 4d.
 Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.
 Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.
 Amount of cash at banker's: £293 4s. 2d.
 Amount of cash in hand: Nil.
 Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.
 Amount of debts considered good: Nil.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): £6 4s.

I, Henry Gilfillan, jun., of Auckland, the Manager of the City of Gisborne Gold-mining Company (No Liability), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company at the 31st day of December, 1896; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

H. GILFILLAN, JUN.,
 Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 20th day of January, 1897,
 before me—Frederick L. Prime, J.P. 125

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Alburnia East Gold-mining Company (No Liability).
 When formed, and date of registration: 4th July, 1895; 17th September, 1895.
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: New Zealand Insurance Buildings, Auckland; Henry Gilfillan, jun.
 Nominal capital: £8,250.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £8,250.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £1,452 3s., including £500, being proceeds derived from sale of promoters' shares.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): Nil.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: Nil.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 55,000.
 Number of shares allotted: 55,000.
 Amount paid up per share: 5d., and also equivalent to £500, being proceeds derived from sale of promoters' shares.
 Amount called up per share: 5d.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: 116; £193 13s. 8d.
 Number of shares forfeited: 666.
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: 666; £12 19s. 10d.
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 41.
 Present number of shareholders: 134.
 Number of men employed by company: 7.
 Total quantity of gold or silver produced during preceding year: 12dwt.; £1 11s. 10d.
 Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration: 12dwt.; £1 11s. 10d.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £1,039 17s. 3d.
 Total expenditure since registration: £1,458 11s. 2d.
 Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.
 Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.

Amount of cash at banker's: £5 9s. 3d.
 Amount of cash in hand: Nil.
 Amount of debts directly due to company: £193 13s. 8d.
 Amount of debts considered good: £193 13s. 8d.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): £17 19s. 10d.

I, Henry Gilfillan, jun., of Auckland, the Manager of the Alburnia East Gold-mining Company (No Liability), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company at the 31st day of December, 1896; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

H. GILFILLAN, JUN.,
 Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 20th day of January, 1897,
 before me—Frederick L. Prime, J.P. 122

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Alpha Gold-mining Company (No Liability).
 When formed, and date of registration: 28th February, 1895; 30th March, 1895.
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: New Zealand Insurance Buildings, Auckland; Henry Gilfillan, jun.
 Nominal capital: £7,500.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £5,250.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £837 10s., including £400, being proceeds derived from sale of promoters' shares.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): Nil.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: Nil.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 50,000.
 Number of shares allotted: 35,000.
 Amount paid up per share: 8d., and also equivalent to £400, being proceeds derived from sale of promoters' shares.
 Amount called up per share: 3d.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: Nil.
 Number of shares forfeited: Nil.
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: Nil.
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 56.
 Present number of shareholders: 113.
 Number of men employed by company: 4.
 Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preceding year: 19oz. 1dwt.; £10 8s. 9d.
 Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration: 19oz. 1dwt.; £10 8s. 9d.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £708 8s. 4d.
 Total expenditure since registration: £1,391 19s. 6d.
 Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.
 Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.
 Amount of cash at banker's: £517 6s. 5d.
 Amount of cash in hand: Nil.
 Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.
 Amount of debts considered good: Nil.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): £710 2s. 2d.

I, Henry Gilfillan, jun., of Auckland, the Manager of the Alpha Gold-mining Company (No Liability), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company at the 31st day of December, 1896; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

H. GILFILLAN, JUN.,
 Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 20th day of January, 1897,
 before me—Frederick L. Prime, J.P. 123

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Ivanhoe Gold-mining Company (No Liability).
 When formed, and date of registration: 7th March, 1895; 30th March, 1895.
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: New Zealand Insurance Buildings, Auckland; Henry Gilfillan, jun.

Nominal capital: £13,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £12,000.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £1,896 13s. 4d., including £480, being proceeds derived from sale of promoters' shares.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): £291 13s. 4d.; nil.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: £291 13s. 4d.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 130,000.
 Number of shares allotted: 120,000.
 Amount paid up per share: 4d., and also equivalent to £480, being proceeds derived from sale of promoters' shares.
 Amount called up per share: 4d.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: Nil.
 Number of shares forfeited: 286.
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: 286; £6 10s. 9d.
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 41.
 Present number of shareholders: 327.
 Number of men employed by company: 8.
 Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preceding year: Nil.
 Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration: 2oz. 9dwt.; £1 12s. 6d.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £1,214 11s. 4d.
 Total expenditure since registration: £1,999 13s. 6d.
 Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.
 Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.
 Total amount of cash at banker's: £260 3s. 6d.
 Amount of cash in hand: Nil.
 Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.
 Amount of debts considered good: Nil.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): £3 8s.

I, Henry Gilfillan, jun., of Auckland, the Manager of the Ivanhoe Gold-mining Company (No Liability), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company at the 31st day of December, 1896; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

H. GILFILLAN, JUN.,
 Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 30th day of January, 1897,
 before me—Frederick L. Prime, J.P. 188

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Jupiter Gold-mining Company (No Liability).
 When formed, and date of registration: 18th September, 1895; 12th October, 1895.
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: New Zealand Insurance Buildings, Auckland; Henry Gilfillan, jun.
 Nominal capital: £10,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £10,000.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £600, being proceeds derived from sale of promoters' shares.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): Nil.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: Nil.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 40,000.
 Number of shares allotted: 40,000.
 Amount paid per share: Equivalent to £600, being proceeds derived from sale of promoters' shares.
 Amount called up per share: Nil.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: Nil.
 Number of shares forfeited: Nil.
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: Nil.
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 38.
 Present number of shareholders: 97.
 Number of men employed by company: 6.
 Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preceding year: Nil.
 Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration: Nil.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £710 17s. 6d.
 Total expenditure since registration: £948 16s. 4d.
 Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.
 Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.
 Amount of cash at banker's: £315 15s. 2d.

Amount of cash in hand : Nil.
 Amount of debts directly due to company : Nil.
 Amount of debts considered good : Nil.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any) : £2 14s. 6d.

I, Henry Gilfillan, jun., of Auckland, the Manager of the Jupiter Gold-mining Company (No Liability), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company at the 31st day of December, 1896; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

H. GILFILLAN, JUN.,
 Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 20th day of January, 1897,
 before me—Frederick L. Prime, J.P. 184

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company : Renown Gold-mining Company (No Liability).
 When formed, and date of registration : 13th October, 1896 ; 18th November, 1896.
 Whether in active operation or not : In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager : New Zealand Insurance Buildings, Auckland ; Henry Gilfillan, jun.
 Nominal capital : £14,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed : £12,000.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash : £900, being proceeds derived from sale of promoters' shares.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any) : Nil.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid : Nil.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided : 70,000.
 Number of shares allotted : 60,000.
 Amount paid up per share : Equivalent to £900, being proceeds derived from sale of promoters' shares.
 Amount called up per share : Nil.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear : Nil.
 Number of shares forfeited : Nil.
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same : Nil.
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company : 51.
 Present number of shareholders : 56.
 Number of men employed by company : 4.
 Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preceding year : Nil.
 Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration : Nil.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year : £323 12s. 7d.
 Total expenditure since registration : £323 12s. 7d.
 Total amount of dividends declared : Nil.
 Total amount of dividends paid : Nil.
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends : Nil.
 Amount of cash at banker's : £576 7s. 5d.
 Amount of cash in hand : Nil.
 Amount of debts directly due to company : Nil.
 Amount of debts considered good : Nil.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any) : £5 3s.

I, Henry Gilfillan, jun., of Auckland, the Manager of the Renown Gold-mining Company (No Liability), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company at the 31st day of December, 1896; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

H. GILFILLAN, JUN.,
 Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 20th day of January, 1897,
 before me—Frederick L. Prime, J.P. 185

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company : Balfour Gold-mining Company (No Liability).
 When formed, and date of registration : 20th November, 1895 ; 11th December, 1895.
 Whether in active operation or not : In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager : New Zealand Insurance Buildings, Auckland ; Henry Gilfillan, jun.
 Nominal capital : £12,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed : £10,500.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash : £1,400, being proceeds derived from sale of promoters' shares.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any) : Nil.

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Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid : Nil.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided : 80,000.
 Number of shares allotted : 70,000.
 Amount paid up per share : Equivalent to £1,400, being proceeds derived from sale of promoters' shares.
 Amount called up per share : Nil.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear : Nil.
 Number of shares forfeited : Nil.
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same : Nil.
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company : 45.
 Present number of shareholders : 137.
 Number of men employed by company : 3.
 Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preceding year : Nil.
 Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration : Nil.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year : £482 16s. 5d.
 Total expenditure since registration : £986 8s. 5d.
 Total amount of dividends declared : Nil.
 Total amount of dividends paid : Nil.
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends : Nil.
 Amount of cash at banker's : £413 11s. 7d.
 Amount of cash in hand : Nil.
 Amount of debts directly due to company : Nil.
 Amount of debts considered good : Nil.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any) : £3 4s.

I, Henry Gilfillan, jun., of Auckland, the Manager of the Balfour Gold-mining Company (No Liability), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company at the 31st day of December, 1896; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

H. GILFILLAN, JUN.,
 Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 20th day of January, 1897,
 before me—Frederick L. Prime, J.P. 181

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company : Golden Lion Gold-mining Company (No Liability).
 When formed, and date of registration : 23rd August, 1895 ; 11th December, 1895.
 Whether in active operation or not : In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager : New Zealand Insurance Buildings, Auckland ; Henry Gilfillan, jun.
 Nominal capital : £10,500.
 Amount of capital subscribed : £8,250.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash : £1,048 9s. 2d., including £600, being proceeds derived from sale of promoters' shares.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any) : Nil.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid : Nil.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided : 70,000.
 Number of shares allotted : 55,000.
 Amount paid per share : 8d., and also equivalent to £600, being proceeds derived from sale of promoters' shares.
 Amount called up per share : 3d.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear : 99 ; £222 18s. 4d.
 Number of shares forfeited : 5,325.
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same : 5,325 ; £6 1s. 3d.
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company : 56.
 Present number of shareholders : 101.
 Number of men employed by company : 5.
 Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preceding year : Nil.
 Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration : Nil.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year : £934 16s. 1d.
 Total expenditure since registration : £1,021 6s. 4d.
 Total amount of dividends declared : Nil.
 Total amount of dividends paid : Nil.
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends : Nil.
 Amount of cash at banker's : £29 2s. 10d.
 Amount of cash in hand : Nil.
 Amount of debts directly due to company : £222 18s. 4d.
 Amount of debts considered good : £222 18s. 4d.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any) : Nil.

I, Henry Gilfillan, jun., of Auckland, the Manager of the Golden Lion Gold-mining Company (No Liability), do

solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company at the 31st day of December, 1896; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

H. GILFILLAN, JUN.,
Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 20th day of January, 1897,
before me—Frederick L. Prime, J.P. 182

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY

Name of company: Tamihana Gold-mining Company (No Liability).

When formed, and date of registration: 20th August, 1896; 22nd October, 1896.

Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.

Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: New Zealand Insurance Buildings, Auckland; Henry Gilfillan, jun.

Nominal capital: £12,000.

Amount of capital subscribed: £10,000.

Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £800, being proceeds derived from sale of promoters' shares.

Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): Nil.

Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: Nil.

Number of shares into which capital is divided: 60,000.

Number of shares allotted: 50,000.

Amount paid up per share: Equivalent to £800, being proceeds derived from sale of promoters' shares.

Amount called up per share: Nil.

Number and amount of calls in arrear: Nil.

Number of shares forfeited: Nil.

Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: Nil.

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

Present number of shareholders: 54.

Number of men employed by company: Nil.

Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preceding year: Nil.

Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration: Nil.

Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £207 13s. 8d.

Total expenditure since registration: £207 13s. 8d.

Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.

Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.

Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.

Amount of cash at banker's: £592 6s. 4d.

Amount of cash in hand: Nil.

Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.

Amount of debts considered good: Nil.

Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): Nil.

I, Henry Gilfillan, jun., of Auckland, the Manager of the Tamihana Gold-mining Company (No Liability), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company at the 31st day of December, 1896; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

H. GILFILLAN, JUN.,
Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 20th day of January, 1897,
before me—Frederick L. Prime, J.P. 186

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Wealth of Nations Gold-mining Company (No Liability).

When formed, and date of registration: 4th February, 1895; 13th March, 1895.

Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.

Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: New Zealand Insurance Buildings, Auckland; Henry Gilfillan, jun.

Nominal capital: £14,000.

Amount of capital subscribed: £12,000.

Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £1,625, including £875, being proceeds derived from sale of promoters' shares.

Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): Nil.

Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: Nil.

Number of shares into which capital is divided: 70,000.

Number of shares allotted: 60,000.

Amount paid up per share: 3d., and also equivalent to £875, being proceeds derived from sale of promoters' shares.

Amount called up per share: 3d.

Number and amount of calls in arrear: Nil.

Number of shares forfeited: 667.

Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: 667; £15 11s.

Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 50.

Present number of shareholders: 169.

Number of men employed by company: 5.

Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preceding year: Nil.

Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration: 3oz. 2dwt.; £3 7s. 9d.

Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £860 12s. 9d.

Total expenditure since registration: £1,498 7s. 4d.

Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.

Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.

Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.

Amount of cash at banker's: £142 17s. 4d.

Amount of cash in hand: Nil.

Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.

Amount of debts considered good: Nil.

Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): Nil.

I, Henry Gilfillan, jun., of Auckland, the Manager of the Wealth of Nations Gold-mining Company (No Liability), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company at the 31st day of December, 1896; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

H. GILFILLAN, JUN.,
Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 20th day of January, 1897,
before me—Frederick L. Prime, J.P. 187

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Waitete Gold-mining Company (No Liability).

When formed, and date of registration: 18th August, 1896; 29th October, 1896.

Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.

Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: New Zealand Insurance Buildings, Auckland; Henry Gilfillan, jun.

Nominal capital: £5,000.

Amount of capital subscribed: £4,500.

Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £762 10s., being proceeds derived from calls on promoters' shares.

Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): Nil.

Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: Nil.

Number of shares into which capital is divided: 100,000.

Number of shares allotted: 90,000.

Amount paid per share: Equivalent to £762 10s., being proceeds derived from calls on promoters' shares.

Amount called up per share: Nil.

Number and amount of calls in arrear: Nil.

Number of shares forfeited: Nil.

Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: Nil.

Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 16.

Present number of shareholders: 20.

Number of men employed by company: Nil.

Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preceding year: Nil.

Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration: Nil.

Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £643 0s. 5d.

Total expenditure since registration: £643 0s. 5d.

Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.

Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.

Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.

Amount of cash at banker's: £119 9s. 7d.

Amount of cash in hand: Nil.

Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.

Amount of debts considered good: Nil.

Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): Nil.

I, Henry Gilfillan, jun., of Auckland, the Manager of the Waitete Gold-mining Company (No Liability), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company at the 31st day of December, 1896; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

H. GILFILLAN, JUN.,
Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 20th day of January, 1897,
before me—Frederick L. Prime, J.P. 188

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Rainbow Gold-mining Company (No Liability).
 When formed, and date of registration: 11th August, 1896; 3rd September, 1896.
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: New Zealand Insurance Buildings, Auckland; Henry Gilfillan, jun.
 Nominal capital: £2,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £2,000.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £97 18s., being proceeds derived from calls on promoters' shares.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): Nil.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: Nil.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 20,000.
 Number of shares allotted: 20,000.
 Amount paid up per share: Equivalent to £97 18s., being proceeds derived from calls on promoters' shares.
 Amount called up per share: Nil.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: Nil.
 Number of shares forfeited: Nil.
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: Nil.
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 27.

Present number of shareholders: 35.
 Number of men employed by company: 5.
 Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preceding year: Nil.
 Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration: Nil.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £282 8s. 4d.
 Total expenditure since registration: £282 8s. 4d.
 Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.
 Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.
 Amount of cash at banker's: £115 9s. 8d.
 Amount of cash in hand: Nil.
 Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.
 Amount of debts considered good: Nil.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): £315 16s. 1d.

I, Henry Gilfillan, jun., of Auckland, the Manager of the Rainbow Gold-mining Company (No Liability), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company at the 31st day of December, 1896; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

H. GILFILLAN, JUN.,
 Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 20th day of January, 1897, before me—Frederick L. Prime, J.P. 135

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Welcome Find Gold-mining Company (Limited).
 When formed, and date of registration: 1st April, 1895; 18th April, 1895.
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Secretary: New Zealand Insurance Buildings, Auckland; Henry Gilfillan, jun.
 Nominal capital: £17,500.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £17,500.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £5,123 2s. 6d.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): £1,000; nil.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: £1,000.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 70,000.
 Number of shares allotted: 70,000.
 Amount paid up per share: 1s. 9d.
 Amount called up per share: 1s. 9d.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: 1; £1 17s. 6d.
 Number of shares forfeited: Nil.
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: Nil.
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 38.
 Present number of shareholders: 299.
 Number of men employed by company: 14.
 Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preceding year: 304oz.; £858 16s.

Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration: 304oz.; £858 16s.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £3,051 14s. 2d.
 Total expenditure since registration: £5,957 2s. 8d.
 Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.
 Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.
 Amount of cash at banker's: £27 15s. 10d.
 Amount of cash in hand: Nil.
 Amount of debts directly due to company: £1 17s. 6d.
 Amount of debts considered good: £1 17s. 6d.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): £376 19s. 6d.

I, Henry Gilfillan, jun., of Auckland, the Secretary of the Welcome Find Gold-mining Company (Limited), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company at the 31st day of December, 1896; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

H. GILFILLAN, JUN.,
 Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 20th day of January, 1897, before me—Frederick L. Prime, J.P. 136

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: New Whau Gold-mining Company (No Liability).
 When formed, and date of registration: 13th March, 1895; 30th March, 1895.
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: New Zealand Insurance Buildings, Auckland; Henry Gilfillan, jun.
 Nominal capital: £15,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £15,000.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £2,166 13s. 4d., including £500, being proceeds derived from sale of promoters' shares.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): £416 13s. 4d.; nil.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: £416 13s. 4d.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 100,000.
 Number of shares allotted: 100,000.
 Amount paid up per share: 6d.; and also equivalent to £500, being proceeds derived from sale of promoters' shares.
 Amount called up per share: 6d.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: Nil.
 Number of shares forfeited: 150.
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: 150; £1 19s. 6d.
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 36.
 Present number of shareholders: 223.
 Number of men employed by company: 10.
 Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preceding year: 18dwt.; £2 8s. 8d.
 Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration: 40oz. 14dwt.; £108 15s. 5d.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £1,551 18s. 8d.
 Total expenditure since registration: £2,728 15s. 5d.
 Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.
 Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.
 Amount of cash at banker's: 10s. 5d.
 Amount of cash in hand: Nil.
 Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.
 Amount of debts considered good: Nil.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): £62 10s. 8d.

I, Henry Gilfillan, jun., of Auckland, the Manager of the New Whau Gold-mining Company (No Liability), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company at the 31st day of December, 1896; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

H. GILFILLAN, JUN.,
 Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 20th day of January, 1897, before me—Frederick L. Prime, J.P. 127

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Waihi Consols Gold-mining Company (No Liability).

When formed, and date of registration: 11th September, 1895; 18th October, 1895.

Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.

Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: New Zealand Insurance Buildings, Auckland; Henry Gilfillan, jun.

Nominal capital: £17,500.

Amount of capital subscribed: £15,000.

Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £4,500, being proceeds derived from sale of promoters' shares.

Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): Nil.

Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: Nil.

Number of shares into which capital is divided: 175,000.

Number of shares allotted: 150,000.

Amount paid up per share: equivalent to £4,500, being proceeds derived from sale of promoters' shares.

Amount called up per share: Nil.

Number and amount of calls in arrear: Nil.

Number of shares forfeited: Nil.

Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: Nil.

Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 150.

Present number of shareholders: 410.

Number of men employed by company: 7.

Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preceding year: Nil.

Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration: Nil.

Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £2,051 13s. 10d.

Total expenditure since registration: £4,299 15s. 4d.

Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.

Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.

Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.

Amount of cash at banker's: £212 17s. 11d.

Amount of cash in hand: Nil.

Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.

Amount of debts considered good: Nil.

Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): £86 0s. 6d.

I, Henry Gilfillan, jun., of Auckland, the Manager of the Waihi Consols Gold-mining Company (No Liability), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company on the 31st day of December, 1896; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

H. GILFILLAN, JUN.,
Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 20th day of January, 1897,
before me—Frederick L. Prime, J.P. 128

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Exchange Gold-mining Company (No Liability).

When formed, and date of registration: 5th June, 1896; 23rd July, 1896.

Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.

Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: New Zealand Insurance Buildings, Auckland; Henry Gilfillan, jun.

Nominal capital: £2,500.

Amount of capital subscribed: £2,500.

Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £486 2s. 1d., including £133 18s. 10d., being proceeds derived from calls on promoters' shares.

Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): Nil.

Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: Nil.

Number of shares into which capital is divided: 50,000.

Number of shares allotted: 50,000.

Amount paid up per share: 2d., and also equivalent to £133 18s. 10d., being proceeds derived from calls on promoters' shares.

Amount called up per share: 2d.

Number and amount of calls in arrear: 10; £64 10s. 1d.

Number of shares forfeited: Nil.

Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: Nil.

Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 16.

Present number of shareholders: 20.

Number of men employed by company: 5.

Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preceding year: Nil.

Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration: Nil.

Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £433 0s. 10d.

Total expenditure since registration: £433 0s. 10d.

Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.

Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.

Total amount of unpaid dividends: Nil.

Amount of cash at banker's: £50 19s. 7d.

Amount of cash in hand: £2 1s. 8d.

Amount of debts directly due to company: £64 10s. 1d.

Amount of debts considered good: £64 10s. 1d.

Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): £15 5s. 3d.

I, Henry Gilfillan, jun., of Auckland, the Manager of the Exchange Gold-mining Company (No Liability), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company on the 31st day of December, 1896; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

H. GILFILLAN, JUN.,
Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 20th day of January, 1897,
before me—Frederick L. Prime, J.P. 129

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: The Omega Gold-mining Company (No Liability).

When formed, and date of registration: 18th September, 1896; 29th October, 1896.

Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.

Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: New Zealand Insurance Buildings, Auckland; Henry Gilfillan, jun.

Nominal capital: £5,000.

Amount of capital subscribed: £5,000.

Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £602 7s. 2d., including £460, being proceeds derived from calls on promoters' shares.

Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): Nil.

Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: Nil.

Number of shares into which capital is divided: 100,000.

Number of shares allotted: 100,000.

Amount paid up per share: 3d., and also equivalent to £460, being proceeds derived from calls on promoters' shares.

Amount called up per share: 3d.

Number and amount of calls in arrear: 3; £65 19s. 6d.

Number of shares forfeited: Nil.

Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: Nil.

Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 12.

Present number of shareholders: 17.

Number of men employed by company: 5.

Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preceding year: Nil.

Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration: Nil.

Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £550 17s. 1d.

Total expenditure since registration: £550 17s. 1d.

Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.

Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.

Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.

Amount of cash at banker's: £23 14s. 6d.

Amount of cash in hand: £27 15s. 7d.

Amount of debts directly due to company: £65 19s. 6d.

Amount of debts considered good: £65 19s. 6d.

Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): £12 2s. 6d.

I, Henry Gilfillan, jun., of Auckland, the Manager of the Omega Gold-mining Company (No Liability), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company on the 31st day of December, 1896; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

H. GILFILLAN, JUN.,
Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 20th day of January, 1897,
before me—Frederick L. Prime, J.P. 133

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: The Queen of Beauty Gold-mining Company (No Liability).
 When formed, and date of registration: 20th July, 1896; 24th October, 1896.
 Whether in active operation or not: Not in active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: New Zealand Insurance Buildings, Auckland; Henry Gilfillan, jun.
 Nominal capital; £10,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £10,000.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £960, being proceeds derived from sale of promoters' shares.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): Nil.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: Nil.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 100,000.
 Number of shares allotted: 100,000.
 Amount paid up per share: Equivalent to £960, being proceeds derived from sale of promoters' shares.
 Amount called up per share: Nil.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: Nil.
 Number of shares forfeited: Nil.
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: Nil.
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 19.

Present number of shareholders: 20.
 Number of men employed by company: Nil.
 Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preceding year: Nil.
 Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration: Nil.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £544 15s.
 Total expenditure since registration: £544 15s.
 Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.
 Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.
 Amount of cash at banker's: £415 5s.
 Amount of cash in hand: Nil.
 Amount of debts directly due to company: £540.
 Amount of debts considered good: £540.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): 2s. 6d.

I, Henry Gilfillan, jun., of Auckland, the Manager of the Queen of Beauty Gold-mining Company (No Liability), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company at the 31st day of December, 1896; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

H. GILFILLAN, JUN.,
 Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 20th day of January, 1897, before me—Frederick L. Prime, J.P. 134

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Express Gold-mining Company (No Liability).
 When formed, and date of registration: 16th September, 1896; 5th November, 1896.
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: New Zealand Insurance Buildings, Auckland; Henry Gilfillan, jun.
 Nominal capital: £20,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £16,000.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £1,200, being proceeds derived from sale of promoters' shares.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): Nil.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: Nil.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 100,000.
 Number of shares allotted: 80,000.
 Amount paid up per share: Equivalent to £1,200, being proceeds derived from sale of promoters' shares.
 Amount called up per share: Nil.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: Nil.
 Number of shares forfeited: Nil.
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: Nil.
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 44.
 Present number of shareholders: 56.
 Number of men employed by company: 4.

Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preceding year: Nil.
 Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration: Nil.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £446 3s. 6d.
 Total expenditure since registration: £446 3s. 6d.
 Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.
 Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.
 Amount of cash at banker's: £753 16s. 6d.
 Amount of cash in hand: Nil.
 Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.
 Amount of debts considered good: Nil.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): £2 6s. 6d.

I, Henry Gilfillan, jun., of Auckland, the Manager of the Express Gold-mining Company (No Liability), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company at the 31st day of December, 1896; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

H. GILFILLAN, JUN.,
 Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 20th day of January, 1897, before me—Frederick L. Prime, J.P. 130

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Mariner Gold-mining Company (No Liability).
 When formed, and date of registration: 20th June, 1895; 2nd August, 1895.
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: New Zealand Insurance Buildings, Auckland; Henry Gilfillan, jun.
 Nominal capital: £10,500.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £9,000.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £1,031 6s. 4d., including £600, being proceeds derived from sale of promoters' shares.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): Nil.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: Nil.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 70,000.
 Number of shares allotted: 60,000.
 Amount paid up per share: 2d.; and also equivalent to £600, being proceeds derived from sale of promoters' shares.
 Amount called up per share: 2d.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: 54; £68 13s. 8d.
 Number of shares forfeited: Nil.
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: Nil.
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 41.
 Present number of shareholders: 165.
 Number of men employed by company: 5.
 Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preceding year: Nil.
 Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration: Nil.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £447 11s. 1d.
 Total expenditure since registration: £978 3s. 2d.
 Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.
 Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.
 Amount of cash at banker's: £51 1s. 6d.
 Amount of cash in hand: £2 1s. 8d.
 Amount of debts directly due to company: £68 13s. 8d.
 Amount of debts considered good: £68 13s. 8d.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): £5 13s. 6d.

I, Henry Gilfillan, jun., of Auckland, the Manager of the Mariner Gold-mining Company (No Liability), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company at the 31st day of December, 1896; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

H. GILFILLAN, JUN.,
 Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 20th day of January, 1897, before me—Frederick L. Prime, J.P. 131

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Nonpareil Gold-mining Company (No Liability).
 When formed, and date of registration: 10th July, 1896; 27th August, 1896.
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: New Zealand Insurance Buildings, Auckland; Henry Gilfillan, jun.
 Nominal capital: £8,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £6,000.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £765 8s. 4d., including £750, being proceeds derived from sale of promoters' shares.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): Nil.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: Nil.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 80,000.
 Number of shares allotted: 60,000.
 Amount paid up per share: 1d.; and also equivalent to £750, being proceeds derived from sale of promoters' shares.
 Amount called up per share: 1d.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: 129; £234 11s. 8d.
 Number of shares forfeited: Nil.
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: Nil.
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 51.
 Present number of shareholders: 140.
 Number of men employed by company: 8.
 Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preceding year: 8oz. 12dwt.; £24 0s. 8d.
 Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration: 8oz. 12dwt.; £24 0s. 8d.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £781 7s. 3d.
 Total expenditure since registration: £781 7s. 3d.
 Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.
 Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.
 Amount of cash at banker's: £1 16s. 9d.
 Amount of cash in hand: £6 5s.
 Amount of debts directly due to company: £234 11s. 8d.
 Amount of debts considered good: £234 11s. 8d.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): £50 16s. 3d.

I, Henry Gilfillan, jun., of Auckland, the Manager of the Nonpareil Gold-mining Company (No Liability), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company at the 31st day of December, 1896; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

H. GILFILLAN, JUN.,
 Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 20th day of January, 1897, before me—Frederick L. Prime, J.P. 132

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Darwin Gold-mining Company (No Liability).
 When formed: 28th August.
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: 87, Queen Street, Auckland; Robert Hood.
 Nominal capital: £6,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £5,500.
 Amount of capital actually paid in cash: £750.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): Nil.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: £1,500.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 60,000.
 Number of shares allotted: 55,000.
 Amount paid up per share: 6d.
 Amount called up per share: 1d.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: Nil.
 Number of shares forfeited: Nil.
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: Nil.
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 55.
 Present number of shareholders: 85.
 Number of men employed by company: 7.
 Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preceding year: £101 14s. 8d.
 Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration: £101 14s. 8d.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £528 6s. 1d.

Total expenditure since registration: £528 6s. 1d.
 Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.
 Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.
 Amount of cash at banker's: £50 17s. 1d.
 Amount of cash in hand: Nil.
 Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.
 Amount of debts considered good: Nil.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): Nil.

I, Robert Hood, of Auckland, the Manager of the Darwin Gold-mining Company (No Liability), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

ROBERT HOOD,
 Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 16th day of January, 1897, before me—M. G. McGregor, a Solicitor, &c. 180

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Mont d'Or Gold-mining and Water-race Company (Limited).
 When formed, and date of registration: 25th July, 1882.
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Aylmer Street, Ross; Thomas Wanless Bruce.
 Nominal capital: £12,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £12,000.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £10,799 14s.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): Nil.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: Nil.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 12,000.
 Number of shares allotted: 12,000.
 Amount paid up per share: 18s.
 Amount called up per share: 18s.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: Nil.
 Number of shares forfeited: Nil.
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: Nil.
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 5.
 Present number of shareholders: 23.
 Number of men employed by company: 22.
 Quantity and value of gold produced during preceding year: 1,368oz. 0dwt. 6gr.; £5,335 3s. 6d.
 Total quantity and value of gold produced since registration: 19,195oz. 16dwt. 23gr.; £74,067 19s. 10d.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £2,488 14s. 1d.
 Total expenditure since registration: £61,265 5s. 11d.
 Total amount of dividends declared: £24,600.
 Total amount of dividends paid: £24,600.
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.
 Amount of cash at banker's: £470 4s. 8d.
 Amount of cash in hand: Nil.
 Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.
 Amount of debts considered good: Nil.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): Nil.

I, Thomas Wanless Bruce, the Manager of the Mont d'Or Gold-mining and Water-race Company (Limited), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company at the 14th day of January, 1897; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

THOMAS WANLESS BRUCE,
 Manager.

Declared at Ross, this 14th day of January, 1897, before me—J. K. McKey, J.P. 109

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: United Alpine Quartz-mining Company (Limited).
 When formed, and date of registration: 5th October, 1874; 31st October, 1874. Reorganized, 7th August, 1883.
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Lyell; R. W. Shallcrass.
 Nominal capital: £48,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £32,000.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £28,853 9s. 2d.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): Nil.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: £16,000.

Number of shares into which capital is divided: 32,000.
 Number of shares allotted: 32,000.
 Amount paid per share: 18s. 1d.
 Amount called up per share: 18s. 1d.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: £79 17s. 6d.
 Number of shares forfeited: Nil.
 Number of shares sold, and money received for same: Nil.
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 23.
 Present number of shareholders: 117.
 Number of men employed by company: 41.
 Quantity and value of gold produced during preceding year: 379oz. 3dwt. 6gr.; £1,458 0s. 2d.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £6,380 14s. 6d.
 Total amount of dividends declared: £74,266 13s. 4d.
 Total amount of dividends paid: £74,266 13s. 4d.
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.
 Amount of cash at banker's: Nil.
 Amount of cash in hand: £54 19s.
 Amount of debts directly due to company: £84 13s. 1d.
 Amount of debts considered good: £84 13s. 1d.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): About £3,700.

I, Robert William Shallcrass, of Lyell, the Manager of the United Alpine Quartz-mining Company (Limited), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company on the 31st day of December, 1896; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

R. W. SHALLCRASS,
 Manager.

Declared at Lyell, this 20th day of January, 1897, before me—Walter Atkin, J.P. 210

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY

Name of company: Cock Sparrow Gold-dredging Company (Limited).
 When formed, and date of registration: 14th April, 1894; 28th April, 1894.
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Lyell; R. W. Shallcrass.
 Nominal capital: £10,500.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £1,575.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £1,050.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): Nil.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: £8,925.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 21,000.
 Number of shares allotted: 21,000.
 Amount paid up per share: 1s.
 Amount called up per share: 1s.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: £8 5s.
 Number of shares forfeited: 300.
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: Nil.
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 19.
 Present number of shareholders: 35.
 Number of men employed by company: 9.
 Quantity and value of gold produced during preceding year: 635oz. 13dwt. 14gr.; £2,456 11s. 7d.
 Total quantity and value of gold produced since registration: 1,981oz. 1dwt. 3gr.; £7,473 18s. 2d.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £2,586 10s. 10d.
 Total expenditure since registration: £8,293 16s. 3d.
 Total amount of dividends declared: £525.
 Total amount of dividends paid: £525.
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.
 Amount of cash at banker's: Nil.
 Amount of cash in hand: Nil.
 Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.
 Amount of debts considered good: Nil.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): About £670.

I, Robert William Shallcrass, of Lyell, the Manager of the Cock Sparrow Gold-dredging Company (Limited), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company at the 31st day of December, 1896; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

R. W. SHALLCRASS,
 Manager.

Declared at Lyell, this 21st day of January, 1897, before me—Walter Atkin, J.P. 211

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Lyell Creek Extended Quartz-mining Company (Limited).
 When formed, and date of registration: 23rd July, 1881; 2nd August, 1881.
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Lyell; R. W. Shallcrass.
 Nominal capital: £24,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £24,000.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £15,170 16s. 4d.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): Nil.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: £12,000.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 48,000.
 Number of shares allotted: 48,000.
 Amount paid per share: 6s. 4d.
 Amount called up per share: 6s. 4d.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: £29 3s. 8d.
 Number of shares forfeited: Nil.
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: Nil.
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 73.
 Present number of shareholders: 108.
 Number of men employed by company: 6.
 Quantity and value of gold produced during preceding year: 6oz. 2dwt. 12gr.; £20 17s. 5d.
 Total quantity and value of gold produced since registration: 48oz. 8dwt. 16gr.; £186 0s. 5d.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £1,865 9s. 10d.
 Total expenditure since registration: £15,681 8s. 8d.
 Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.
 Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.
 Amount of cash at banker's: 4s. 3d.
 Amount of cash in hand: £33 9s. 4d.
 Amount of debts directly due to company: £29 3s. 8d.
 Amount of debts considered good: £29 3s. 8d.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): About £50.

I, Robert William Shallcrass, of Lyell, the Manager of the Lyell Creek Extended Quartz-mining Company (Limited), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company on the 31st day of December, 1896; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

R. W. SHALLCRASS,
 Manager.

Declared at Lyell, this 21st day of January, 1897, before me—Walter Atkin, J.P. 209

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: The Jutland Flat (Waipori) Gold-mining Company (Limited).
 When formed, and date of registration: 2nd July, 1890.
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Dunedin; Alexander Bartleman.
 Nominal capital: £15,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £15,000.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £4,000.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any):
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: £3,750.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 15,000.
 Number of shares allotted: 15,000.
 Amount paid up per share: 8s. on 10,000 shares; 15s. on 5,000 shares.
 Amount called up per share: 8s. on 10,000 shares.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: Nil.
 Number of shares forfeited: Nil.
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: Nil.
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 7.
 Present number of shareholders: 37.
 Number of men employed by company: 10.
 Quantity and value of gold produced during preceding year: 1,428oz.; £5,580.
 Total quantity and value of gold produced since registration: 4,896oz.; £19,122.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £3,097.
 Total expenditure since registration: £13,492.

Total amount of dividends declared: £4,125.
 Total amount of dividends paid: £4,125.
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.
 Amount of cash at banker's: £333 7s.
 Amount of cash in hand: Nil.
 Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.
 Amount of debts considered good: Nil.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): Nil.

I, Alexander Bartleman, of Dunedin, the Legal Manager of the Jutland Flat (Waipori) Gold-mining Company (Limited), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company at the 31st day of December, 1896; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

A. BARTLEMAN,
 Manager.

Declared at Dunedin, this 19th day of January, 1897,
 before me—A. Lee Smith, J.P. 205

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Upper Waipori Alluvial Gold-dredging Company (Limited).
 When formed, and date of registration; 3rd September, 1889.
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Dunedin: Alexander Bartleman.
 Nominal capital: £12,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £12,000.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £5,950.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): £5,000; nil.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: £5,000.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 24,000.
 Number of shares allotted: 24,000.
 Amount paid up per share: 8s. 6d.
 Amount called up per share: 8s. 6d.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: Nil.
 Number of shares forfeited: Nil.
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: Nil.
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 48.
 Present number of shareholders: 83.
 Number of men employed by company: 18.
 Quantity and value of gold produced during preceding year: 922oz.; £3,605.
 Total quantity and value of gold produced since registration: 6,995oz.; £26,830.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £4,219.
 Total expenditure since registration: £24,149.
 Total amount of dividends declared: £3,600.
 Total amount of dividends paid: £3,600.
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.
 Amount of cash at banker's: Nil.
 Amount of cash in hand: Nil.
 Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.
 Amount of debts considered good: Nil.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): Nil.

I, Alexander Bartleman, of Dunedin, the Legal Manager of the Upper Waipori Alluvial Gold-dredging Company (Limited), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company at the 31st day of December, 1896; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

A. BARTLEMAN,
 Manager.

Declared at Dunedin, this 15th day of January, 1897,
 before me—Alex. C. Begg, J.P. 206

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: York Gold-mining Company (No Liability).
 When formed, and date of registration: 13th October, 1896; 7th November, 1896.
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Company's office, Mutual Life Association of Australasia Buildings, Queen Street, Auckland; F. W. Cowern.
 Nominal capital: £5,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £4,500.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: Nil.

Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): Nil.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: Nil.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 100,000.
 Number of shares allotted: 90,000.
 Amount paid up per share: Nil.
 Amount called up per share: Nil.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: Nil.
 Number of shares forfeited: Nil.
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: Nil.
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 69.
 Present number of shareholders: 71.
 Number of men employed by company: 5.
 Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preceding year: Nil.
 Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration: Nil.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £192 11s. 11d.
 Total expenditure since registration: £442 11s. 11d.
 Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.
 Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.
 Amount of cash at banker's: £576 3s. 1d.
 Amount of cash in hand: Nil.
 Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.
 Amount of debts considered good: Nil.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): Nil.

I, F. W. Cowern, of Auckland, the Manager of the York Gold-mining Company (No Liability), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company on the 31st day of December, 1896; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

F. W. COWERN,
 Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 14th day of January, 1897,
 before me—D. B. McDonald, J.P. 189

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Zone Gold-mining Company (No Liability).
 When formed, and date of registration: 13th October, 1896; 7th November, 1896.
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Company's office, Mutual Life Association of Australasia Buildings, Queen Street, Auckland; F. W. Cowern.
 Nominal capital: £5,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £4,500.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: Nil.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): Nil.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: Nil.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 100,000.
 Number of shares allotted: 90,000.
 Amount paid per share: Nil.
 Amount called up per share: Nil.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: Nil.
 Number of shares forfeited: Nil.
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: Nil.
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 66.
 Present number of shareholders: 68.
 Number of men employed by company: 7.
 Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preceding year: Nil.
 Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration: Nil.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £254 14s. 3d.
 Total expenditure since registration: £504 14s. 3d.
 Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.
 Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.
 Amount of cash at banker's: £564 0s. 9d.
 Amount of cash in hand: Nil.
 Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.
 Amount of debts considered good: Nil.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): Nil.

I, F. W. Cowern, of Auckland, the Manager of the Zone Gold-mining Company (No Liability), do solemnly and sin-

cerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company at the 31st day of December, 1896; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

F. W. COWERN,
Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 14th day of January, 1897,
before me—D. B. McDonald, J.P. 190

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: The Roxburgh Amalgamated Mining and Sluicing Company (Limited).
When formed, and date of registration: 2nd March, 1889.
Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Dunedin; Sidney Cooper Leary, Secretary.
Nominal capital: £30,000.
Amount of capital subscribed: £29,152 10s.
Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £12,737 5s.
Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): Nil.
Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: £15,000.
Number of shares into which capital is divided: 30,000.
Number of shares allotted: 29,152.
Amount paid up per share: 18s. on 14,565 contributing shares; 20s. on 15,000 vendors' shares.
Amount called up per share: 18s. on contributing shares; 20s. on 15,000 shares.
Number and amount of calls in arrear: Nil.
Number of shares forfeited: 825.
Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: Nil.
Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 7.
Present number of shareholders: 141.
Number of men employed by company: Average about 30.
Quantity and value of gold produced during preceding year: 2,233oz. 15dwt. 17gr.; £8,643 11s. 1d.
Total quantity and value of gold produced since registration: 11,118oz. 15dwt. 7gr.; £42,947 8s. 4d.
Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £5,291 3s.
Total expenditure since registration: £42,826 3s. 10d.
Total amount of dividends declared: £13,482 19s. 7d.
Total amount of dividends paid: £13,471 5s. 10d.
Total amount of unclaimed dividends: £11 13s. 9d.
Amount of cash at banker's: £177 5s. 3d.
Amount of cash in hand: 2s.
Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.
Amount of debts considered good: Nil.
Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): Approximate £150.

I, Sidney Cooper Leary, of Dunedin, the Secretary of the Roxburgh Amalgamated Mining and Sluicing Company (Limited), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company at the 31st day of December, 1896; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

S. C. LEARY,
Secretary.

Declared at Dunedin, this 14th day of January, 1897,
before me—Thomas M. Wilkinson, J.P. 198

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Manorburn Gold-dredging Company (Limited).
When formed, and date of registration: 23th January, 1896.
Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Manse Street, Dunedin: Alexander Harris.
Nominal capital: £3,000.
Amount of capital subscribed: £3,000.
Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £3,000.
Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): Nil.
Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: Nil.
Number of shares into which capital is divided: £3,000.
Number of shares allotted: £3,000.
Amount paid per share: £1.
Amount called up per share: £1.
Number and amount of calls in arrear: Nil.
Number of shares forfeited: Nil.

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Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: Nil.
Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 7.
Present number of shareholders: 7.
Number of men employed by company: 7.
Quantity and value of gold produced during preceding year: 173oz. 16dwt. 23gr.; £669 5s. 6d.
Total quantity and value of gold produced since registration: 173oz. 16dwt. 23gr.; £669 5s. 6d.
Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £4,418 3s. 4d.
Total expenditure since registration: £4,418 3s. 4d.
Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.
Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.
Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.
Amount of cash at banker's: £79 1s. 5d.
Amount of cash in hand: Nil.
Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.
Amount of debts considered good: Nil.
Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): £822 19s. 3d.

I, Alexander Harris, of Dunedin, the Manager of the Manorburn Gold-dredging Company (Limited), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company at the 31st day of December, 1896; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

ALEXANDER HARRIS,
Manager.

Declared at Dunedin, this 19th day of January, 1897,
before me—Alex. Thomson, J.P. 199

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: The Roxburgh Gold Steam-dredging Company (Limited).
When formed, and date of registration: 20th August, 1891.
Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Roxburgh; Jabez Burton.
Nominal capital: £5,000.
Amount of capital subscribed: £2,500.
Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £2,000.
Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): Nil.
Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: £2,500.
Number of shares into which capital is divided: 5,000.
Number of shares allotted: 5,000.
Amount paid up per share: 16s.
Amount called up per share: 16s.
Number and amount of calls in arrear: Nil.
Number of shares forfeited: Nil.
Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: Nil.
Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 48.
Present number of shareholders: 55.
Number of men employed by company: 6.
Quantity and value of gold produced during preceding year: 208oz. 7dwt. 3gr.; £792 2s. 9d.
Total quantity and value of gold produced since registration: 2,806oz. 12dwt. 7gr.; £10,794 18s. 3d.
Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £1,250 16s. 4d.
Total expenditure since registration: £9,611 12s. 11d.
Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.
Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.
Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.
Amount of cash at banker's: Nil.
Amount of cash in hand: Nil.
Amount of debts directly due to company: £11 14s.
Amount of debts considered good: £11 14s.
Amount of contingent liabilities of company (approximate): £500.

I, Jabez Burton, of Roxburgh, the Secretary of the Roxburgh Gold Steam-dredging Company (Limited), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company on the 31st day of December, 1896; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

JABEZ BURTON,
Secretary.

Declared at Roxburgh, this 14th day of January, 1897,
before me—David Cormack, J.P. 200

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: The Etrick Gold Steam-dredging Company (Limited).
 When formed, and date of registration: 29th August, 1890.
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Roxburgh; Jabez Burton.
 Nominal capital: £4,500.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £2,500.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £1,987 10s.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): Nil.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: £2,000.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 4,500.
 Number of shares allotted: 4,500.
 Amount paid up per share: 15s. 6d.
 Amount called up per share: 15s. 6d.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: Nil.
 Number of shares forfeited: Nil.
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: Nil.
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 40.
 Present number of shareholders: 47.
 Number of men employed by company: 6.
 Quantity and value of gold produced during preceding year: 836oz. 9dwt. 18gr.; £3,219 7s. 3d.
 Total quantity and value of gold produced since registration: 2,981oz. 16dwt. 3gr.; £11,477 19s. 9d.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £1,365 0s. 1d.
 Total expenditure since registration: £11,510 15s. 2d.
 Total amount of dividends declared: £1,687 10s.
 Total amount of dividends paid: £1,462 10s.
 Total amount of dividends unclaimed: Nil.
 Amount of cash at banker's: £40 17s. 11d.
 Amount of cash in hand: Nil.
 Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.
 Amount of debts considered good: Nil.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): £30.

I, Jabez Burton, of Roxburgh, the Secretary of the Etrick Gold Steam-dredging Company (Limited), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company on the 31st day of December, 1896; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

JABEZ BURTON,
 Secretary.

Declared at Roxburgh, this 14th day of January, 1897,
 before me—David Cormack, J.P. 201

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: The Golden Gate Dredging Company (Limited).
 When formed, and date of registration: 13th March, 1895.
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Roxburgh; Jabez Burton.
 Nominal capital: £2,500.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £2,500.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £2,500.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): Nil.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: Nil.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 2,500.
 Number of shares allotted: 2,500.
 Amount paid up per share: £1.
 Amount called up per share: £1.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: Nil.
 Number of shares forfeited: Nil.
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: Nil.
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 20.
 Present number of shareholders: 29.
 Number of men employed by company: 7.
 Quantity and value of gold produced during preceding year: 1,027oz. 12dwt. 22gr.; £3,968 10s. 8d.
 Total quantity and value of gold produced since registration: 1,144oz. 14dwt.; £4,419 8s. 8d.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £2,328 7s. 10d.
 Total expenditure since registration: £5,637 17s.
 Total amount of dividends declared: £1,312 10s.
 Total amount of dividends paid: £1,000.
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.
 Amount of cash at banker's: £32 6s. 11d.

Amount of cash in hand: Nil.
 Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.
 Amount of debts considered good: Nil.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): £100 (approximate).

I, Jabez Burton, of Roxburgh, the Secretary of the Golden Gate Dredging Company (Limited), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company on the 31st day of December, 1896; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

JABEZ BURTON,
 Secretary.

Declared at Roxburgh, this 14th day of January, 1897,
 before me—David Cormack, J.P. 202

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: The Golden Treasure Dredging Company (Limited).
 When formed, and date of registration: 19th July, 1893.
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Roxburgh; Jabez Burton.
 Nominal capital: £3,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £1,500.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £1,384 5s. 4d.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): Nil.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: £1,500.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 3,000.
 Number of shares allotted: 3,000.
 Amount paid up per share: £1.
 Amount called up per share: £1.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: Nil.
 Number of shares forfeited: 124.
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: Nil.
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 19.
 Present number of shareholders: 19.
 Number of men employed by company: 7.
 Quantity and value of gold produced during preceding year: 1,382oz. 13dwt.; £5,323 0s. 3d.
 Total quantity and value of gold produced since registration: 2,933oz. 18dwt.; £11,526 8s. 9d.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £2,179 8s. 1d.
 Total expenditure since registration: £8,749 9s. 11d.
 Amount of dividends declared: £2,947 18s.
 Amount of dividends paid: £2,660 6s.
 Amount of dividends unclaimed: Nil.
 Amount of cash at banker's: £175, Reserve Fund.
 Amount of cash in hand: Nil.
 Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.
 Amount of debts considered good: Nil.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): £50.

I, Jabez Burton, of Roxburgh, the Secretary of the Golden Treasure Dredging Company (Limited), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company on the 31st day of December, 1896; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

JABEZ BURTON,
 Secretary.

Declared at Roxburgh, this 14th day of January, 1897,
 before me—David Cormack, J.P. 203

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: The Golden Run Dredging Company (Limited).
 When formed, and date of registration: 29th June, 1891.
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Roxburgh; Jabez Burton.
 Nominal capital: £5,000 (originally), increased by £1,000; now £6,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £4,000.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £4,795 5s.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): Nil.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: £2,000.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 6,000.
 Number of shares allotted: 6,000.
 Amount paid up per share: £1.

Amount called up per share : £1.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear : £2 10s.
 Number of shares forfeited : 1,085.
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same : 1,085 ; £1,356 5s.
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company : 42.
 Present number of shareholders : 66.
 Number of men employed by company : About 25.
 Quantity and value of gold produced during preceding year : 813oz. 12dwt. 9gr. : £3,132 5s. 4d.
 Total quantity and value of gold produced since registration : 4,083oz. 5dwt. 4gr. ; £15,720 0s. 3d.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year : £3,225 5s. 3d.
 Total expenditure since registration : £15,959 12s. 9d.
 Amount of dividends declared : Nil.
 Amount of dividends paid : Nil.
 Amount of dividends unclaimed : Nil.
 Amount of cash at banker's : Nil.
 Amount of cash in hand : Nil.
 Amount of debts directly due to company : Nil.
 Amount of debts considered good : Nil.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any) : £1,200 (approximate).

I, Jabez Burton, of Roxburgh, the Secretary of the Golden Run Dredging Company (Limited), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company at the 31st day of December, 1896; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

JABEZ BURTON,
 Secretary.

Declared at Roxburgh, this 14th day of January, 1897,
 before me—David Cormack, J.P. 204

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company : Progress-Castle Rock Gold-mining Company (No Liability).
 When formed, and date of registration : 4th September, 1895; 19th September, 1895.
 Whether in active operation or not : In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager : Legal Chambers, Auckland; William Clarke.
 Nominal capital : £9,750.
 Amount of capital subscribed : £9,750.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash : £716 3s. 7d.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any) : Nil.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid : Nil.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided : 65,000.
 Number of shares allotted : 65,000.
 Amount paid up per share : Nil.
 Amount called up per share : 3d.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear : 23,117 shares; £96 6s. 5d.
 Number of shares forfeited :
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same : Nil.
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company : 42.
 Present number of shareholders : 160.
 Number of men employed by company : 5.
 Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preceding year : £17 16s. 2d.
 Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration : £17 16s. 2d.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year : £806 2s. 6d.
 Total expenditure since registration : £1,334 2s. 10d.
 Total amount of dividends declared : Nil.
 Total amount of dividends paid : Nil.
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends : Nil.
 Amount of cash at banker's : £99 16s. 11d.
 Amount of cash in hand :
 Amount of debts directly due to company : Nil.
 Amount of debts considered good : Nil.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any) : Nil.

I, William Clarke, of Auckland, the Manager of the Progress-Castle Rock Gold-mining Company (No Liability), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company at the 31st day of December, 1896; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

WILLIAM CLARKE,
 Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 20th day of January, 1897,
 before me—Frederick L. Prime, J.P. 154

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company : Golden Fleece Gold-mining Company (No Liability).
 When formed, and date of registration : 23rd August, 1895; 11th September, 1895.
 Whether in active operation or not : In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager : Legal Chambers, Auckland; William Clarke.
 Nominal capital : £15,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed : £12,750.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash : £708 6s. 8d.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any) : Nil.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid : Nil.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided : 100,000.
 Number of shares allotted : 85,000.
 Amount paid up per share : Nil.
 Amount called up per share : 2d.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear : Nil.
 Number of shares forfeited : 6,065.
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same : 6,065 ; £29 17s. 1d.
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company : 45.
 Present number of shareholders : 210.
 Number of men employed by company : 7.
 Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preceding year : Nil.
 Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration : Nil.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year : £658 7s. 11d.
 Total expenditure since registration : £1,189 8s. 7d.
 Total amount of dividends declared : Nil.
 Total amount of dividends paid : Nil.
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends : Nil.
 Amount of cash at banker's : £222 10s. 5d.
 Amount of cash in hand :
 Amount of debts directly due to company : Nil.
 Amount of debts considered good : Nil.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any) : Nil.

I, William Clarke, of Auckland, the Manager of the Golden Fleece Gold-mining Company, do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company at the 31st day of December, 1896; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

WM. CLARKE,
 Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 20th day of January, 1897,
 before me—Frederick L. Prime, J.P. 155

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company : Charleston Gold-mining Company (No Liability).
 When formed, and date of registration : 15th September, 1896; 9th December, 1896.
 Whether in active operation or not : Not in active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager : Legal Chambers, Auckland; William Clarke.
 Nominal capital : £3,050.
 Amount of capital subscribed : £2,750.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash : Nil.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any) : Nil.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid : Nil.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided : 61,000.
 Number of shares allotted : 55,000.
 Amount paid up per share : Nil.
 Amount called up per share :
 Number and amount of calls in arrear : Nil.
 Number of shares forfeited : Nil.
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same : Nil.
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company : 46.
 Present number of shareholders : 46.
 Number of men employed by company :
 Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preceding year : Nil.
 Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration : Nil.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year : Nil.
 Total expenditure since registration : £66 9s.
 Total amount of dividends declared : Nil.
 Total amount of dividends paid : Nil.
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends : Nil.

Amount of cash at banker's: £109 10s. 4d.
 Amount of cash in hand: Nil.
 Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.
 Amount of debts considered good: Nil.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): Nil.

I, William Clarke, of Auckland, the Manager of the Charleston Gold-mining Company (No Liability), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company at the 31st day of December, 1896; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

WILLIAM CLARKE,
 Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 20th day of January, 1897,
 before me—Frederick L. Prime, J.P. 156

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Mount Waihi Gold-mining Company (No Liability).
 When formed, and date of registration: 6th September, 1895; 26th September, 1895.
 Whether in active operation or not: Not in active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Legal Chambers, Auckland; Wm. Clarke.
 Nominal capital: £12,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £12,000.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: Nil.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): Nil.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: Nil.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 60,000.
 Number of shares allotted: 60,000.
 Amount paid per share: Nil.
 Amount called up per share:
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: Nil.
 Number of shares forfeited: Nil.
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: Nil.
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 46.
 Present number of shareholders: 106.
 Number of men employed by company: 1.
 Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preceding year: Nil.
 Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration: Nil.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £200 10s. 9d.
 Total expenditure since registration: £486 11s. 8d.
 Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.
 Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.
 Amount of cash at banker's: £213 8s. 4d.
 Amount of cash in hand:
 Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.
 Amount of debts considered good: Nil.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): Nil.

I, William Clarke, of Auckland, Manager of the Mount Waihi Gold-mining Company (No Liability), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company at the 31st day of December, 1896; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

WM. CLARKE,
 Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 20th day of January, 1897,
 before me—Frederick L. Prime, J.P. 157

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Teutonic Gold-mining Company (No Liability).
 When formed, and date of registration: 29th August, 1895; 26th September, 1895.
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Legal Chambers, Auckland; William Clarke.
 Nominal capital: £12,750.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £10,200.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £386 9s. 2d.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): Nil.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: Nil.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 85,000.
 Number of shares allotted: 68,000.
 Amount paid up per share: Nil.

Amount called up per share: 2d.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: 48,250 shares; £180 4s. 2d.
 Number of shares forfeited: Nil.
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: Nil.
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 47.
 Present number of shareholders: 82.
 Number of men employed by company: 4.
 Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preceding year: Nil.
 Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration: Nil.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £593 13s. 1d.
 Total expenditure since registration: £1,135 2s.
 Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.
 Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.
 Amount of cash at banker's: £75 18s. 10d.
 Amount of cash in hand: £15 8s. 4d.
 Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.
 Amount of debts considered good: Nil.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): Nil.

I, William Clarke, of Auckland, the Manager of the Teutonic Gold-mining Company, do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company at the 31st day of December, 1896; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

WILLIAM CLARKE,
 Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 20th day of January, 1897,
 before me—Frederick L. Prime, J.P. 158

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Karangahake Gold-mining Company (No Liability).
 When formed, and date of registration: 3rd October, 1895; 24th October, 1895.
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Legal Chambers, Auckland; Wm. Clarke.
 Nominal capital: £14,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £12,000.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: Nil.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): Nil.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: Nil.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 70,000.
 Number of shares allotted: 60,000.
 Amount paid up per share: Nil.
 Amount called up per share:
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: Nil.
 Number of shares forfeited: Nil.
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: Nil.
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 83.
 Present number of shareholders: 173.
 Number of men employed by company: 5.
 Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preceding year: Nil.
 Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration: Nil.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £813 4s. 11d.
 Total expenditure since registration: £1,532 3s. 5d.
 Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.
 Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.
 Amount of overdraft at banker's: £32 3s. 5d.
 Amount of cash in hand:
 Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.
 Amount of debts considered good: Nil.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): Nil.

I, William Clarke, of Auckland, Manager of the Karangahake Gold-mining Company, do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company at the 31st day of December, 1896; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

WILLIAM CLARKE,
 Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 20th day of January, 1897,
 before me—Frederick L. Prime, J.P. 159

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: New-Zealander Gold-mining Company (No Liability).
 When formed, and date of registration: 28th August, 1895; 19th September, 1895.
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Legal Chambers, Auckland; Wm. Clarke.
 Nominal capital: £11,250.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £9,750.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £427 16s. 3d.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): Nil.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: Nil.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 75,000.
 Number of shares allotted: 65,000.
 Amount paid per share:
 Amount called up per share: 2d.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: 27,325 shares; £113 17s. 1d.
 Number of shares forfeited: 225.
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: 225; £2 16s. 3d.
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 59.
 Present number of shareholders: 139.
 Number of men employed by company: 5.
 Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preceding year: Nil.
 Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration: Nil.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £699 5s. 10d.
 Total expenditure since registration: £1,292 17s. 1d.
 Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.
 Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.
 Amount of cash at banker's: £27 7s.
 Amount of cash in hand: £13 19s. 2d.
 Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.
 Amount of debts considered good: Nil.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): Nil.

I, William Clarke, of Auckland, the Manager of the New-Zealander Gold-mining Company, do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company at the 31st day of December, 1896; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

WM. CLARKE,
 Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 20th day of January, 1897, before me—Frederick L. Prime, J.P. 160

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY

Name of company: Sir Julius Gold-mining Company (No Liability).
 When formed, and date of registration: 23rd September, 1895; 21st November, 1895.
 Whether in active operation or not: Not in active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Legal Chambers, Auckland; William Clarke.
 Nominal capital: £12,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £12,000.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: Nil.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): Nil.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: Nil.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 60,000.
 Number of shares allotted: 60,000.
 Amount paid up per share: Nil.
 Amount called up per share: Nil.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: Nil.
 Number of shares forfeited: Nil.
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: Nil.
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 35.
 Present number of shareholders: 55.
 Number of men employed by company: 1.
 Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preceding year: Nil.
 Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration: Nil.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £285 16s. 7d.
 Total expenditure since registration: £490 10s. 3d.
 Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.

Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.
 Amount of cash at banker's: £209 9s. 9d.
 Amount of cash in hand:
 Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.
 Amount of debts considered good: Nil.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): Nil.

I, William Clarke, of Auckland, the Manager of the Sir Julius Gold-mining Company, do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company at the 31st day of December, 1896; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

WILLIAM CLARKE,
 Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 20th day of January, 1897, before me—Frederick L. Prime, J.P. 161

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: South British Gold-mining Company (No Liability).
 When formed, and date of registration: 21st June, 1895; 31st July, 1895.
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Legal Chambers, Auckland; William Clarke.
 Nominal capital: £14,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £13,000.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £405 2s. 1d.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): Nil.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: Nil.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 70,000.
 Number of shares allotted: 65,000.
 Amount paid up per share: Nil.
 Amount called up per share: 2d.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: 32,775 shares; £136 11s. 3d.
 Number of shares forfeited: 100.
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: 100; £1 13s. 4d.
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 60.
 Present number of shareholders: 198.
 Number of men employed by company: 5.
 Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preceding year: Nil.
 Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration: Nil.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £665 4s. 2d.
 Total expenditure since registration: £1,274 15s. 6d.
 Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.
 Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.
 Amount of cash at banker's: £25 14s. 3d.
 Amount of cash in hand: £4 15s. 10d.
 Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.
 Amount of debts considered good: Nil.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): Nil.

I, William Clarke, of Auckland, the Manager of the South British Gold-mining Company (No Liability), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company at the 31st day of December, 1896; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

WM. CLARKE,
 Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 20th day of January, 1897, before me—Frederick L. Prime, J.P. 162

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: A 1 Gold-mining Company (No Liability).
 When formed, and date of registration: 18th September, 1895; 11th October, 1895.
 Whether in active operation or not: Not in active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Legal Chambers, Auckland; William Clarke.
 Nominal capital: £11,250.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £8,100.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £112 10s.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): Nil.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: Nil.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 75,000.

Number of shares allotted : 54,000.
 Amount paid up per share : Nil.
 Amount called up per share : 3d.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear : Nil.
 Number of shares forfeited : 2,550.
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same : 2,550 ; £13 5s. 7d.
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company : 53.
 Present number of shareholders : 93.
 Number of men employed by company :
 Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preceding year : Nil.
 Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration : £13 11s. 10d.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year : £317 2s. 10d.
 Total expenditure since registration : £707 16s. 9d.
 Total amount of dividends declared : Nil.
 Total amount of dividends paid : Nil.
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends : Nil.
 Amount of cash at banker's : £23 5s. 1d.
 Amount of cash in hand : Nil.
 Amount of debts directly due to company : Nil.
 Amount of debts considered good : Nil.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any) : Nil.

I, William Clarke, of Auckland, the Manager of the A 1 Gold-mining Company (No Liability), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company at the 31st day of December, 1896; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

WM. CLARKE,
 Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 20th day of January, 1897,
 before me—Frederick L. Prime, J.P. 163

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY

Name of company : Waitekauri South Gold-mining Company (No Liability).
 When formed, and date of registration : 16th August, 1895 ; 4th September, 1895.
 Whether in active operation or not : In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager : Legal Chambers, Auckland ; William Clarke.
 Nominal capital : £14,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed : £11,000.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash : £687 10s.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any) : Nil.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid : Nil.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided : 70,000.
 Number of shares allotted : 55,000.
 Amount paid up per share : Nil.
 Amount called up per share : 3d.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear : Nil.
 Number of shares forfeited : 500.
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same : 500 ; £14 11s. 8d.
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company : 50.
 Present number of shareholders : 125.
 Number of men employed by company : 6.
 Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preceding year : Nil.
 Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration : Nil.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year : £1,000 1s. 5d.
 Total expenditure since registration : £1,513 7s.
 Total amount of dividends declared : Nil.
 Total amount of dividends paid : Nil.
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends : Nil.
 Amount of cash at banker's : £84 16s.
 Amount of cash in hand : Nil.
 Amount of debts directly due to company : Nil.
 Amount of debts considered good : Nil.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any) : Nil.

I, William Clarke, of Auckland, the Manager of the Waitekauri South Gold-mining Company (No Liability), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company on the 31st day of December, 1896; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

WILLIAM CLARKE,
 Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 20th day of January, 1897,
 before me—Frederick L. Prime, J.P. 164

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company : Kuranui Gold-mining Company (Limited).
 When formed, and date of registration : 3rd September, 1895 ; 12th September, 1895.
 Whether in active operation or not : In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager : Legal Chambers, Auckland ; Wm. Clarke.
 Nominal capital : £15,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed : £15,000.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash : £1,250.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any) : Nil.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid : Nil.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided ; 60,000.
 Number of shares allotted : 60,000.
 Amount paid per share : Nil.
 Amount called up per share : 5d.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear : Nil.
 Number of shares forfeited : Nil.
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same : Nil.
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company : 11.
 Present number of shareholders : 43.
 Number of men employed by company : 4.
 Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preceding year : £4 14s. 5d.
 Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration : £4 14s. 5d.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year : £993 14s. 3d.
 Total expenditure since registration : £1,269 11s. 3d.
 Total amount of dividends declared : Nil.
 Total amount of dividends paid : Nil.
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends : Nil.
 Amount of overdraft at banker's : £14 16s. 10d.
 Amount of cash in hand : Nil.
 Amount of debts directly due to company : Nil.
 Amount of debts considered good : Nil.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any) : Nil.

I, William Clarke, of Auckland, the Manager of the Kuranui Gold-mining Company, do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company at the 31st day of December, 1896; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

WM. CLARKE,
 Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 20th day of January, 1897,
 before me—Frederick L. Prime, J.P. 165

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company : Rothschild Gold-mining Company (No Liability).
 When formed, and date of registration : 22nd May, 1896 ; 27th June, 1896.
 Whether in active operation or not : In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager : Hobson's Buildings, Shortland Street, Auckland ; Seering Hall Matthews.
 Nominal capital : £7,500.
 Amount of capital subscribed : £7,500, being proceeds of sale of promoters' shares.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash : £450.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any) : Nil.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid : £450.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided : 60,000.
 Number of shares allotted : 60,000.
 Amount paid up per share : Nil.
 Amount called up per share : 1d.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear : Nil.
 Number of shares forfeited : Nil.
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same : Nil.
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company : 18.
 Present number of shareholders : 101.
 Number of men employed by company : 6.
 Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preceding year : Nil.
 Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration : Nil.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year : Nil.
 Total expenditure since registration : £460 9s. 4d.

Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.
 Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.
 Amount of cash at banker's: Nil.
 Amount of cash in hand: £30.
 Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.
 Amount of debts considered good: Nil.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company: £16 3s.

I, Seering Hall Matthews, of Auckland, the Manager of the Rothschild Gold-mining Company (No Liability), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company at the 31st day of December, 1896; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

SEERING H. MATTHEWS,
 Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 19th day of January, 1897,
 before me—D. B. McDonald, J.P. 171

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Dawn of Hope Gold-mining Company (No Liability).
 When formed, and date of registration: 5th August, 1896; 2nd October, 1896.
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Hobson's Buildings, Shortland Street, Auckland; Seering Hall Matthews.
 Nominal capital: £6,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed; £6,000.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £705.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): Nil.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: £900.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 80,000.
 Number of shares allotted: 60,000.
 Amount paid per share: Nil.
 Amount called up per share: Nil.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: Nil.
 Number of shares forfeited: Nil.
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: Nil.
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 36.
 Present number of shareholders: 38.
 Number of men employed by company: 4.
 Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preceding year: Nil.
 Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration: Nil.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: Nil.
 Total expenditure since registration: £164 14s.
 Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.
 Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.
 Amount of cash at banker's: £395 6s.
 Amount of cash in hand: £145.
 Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.
 Amount of debts considered good: Nil.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company: £44 3s. 8d.

I, Seering Hall Matthews, of Auckland, the Manager of the Dawn of Hope Gold-mining Company (No Liability), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company at the 31st day of December, 1896; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

SEERING H. MATTHEWS,
 Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 19th day of January, 1897,
 before me—D. B. McDonald, J.P. 172

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Waihi Reefs Gold-mining Company (No Liability).
 When formed, and date of registration: 23rd March, 1896; 7th May, 1896.
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Hobson's Buildings, Auckland; Seering Hall Matthews.
 Nominal capital: £9,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £9,000.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £450.

Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): Nil.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: £900.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 45,000.
 Number of shares allotted: 45,000.
 Amount paid up per share: Nil.
 Amount called up per share: 3d.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: 1; £93 12s. 9d.
 Number of shares forfeited: Nil.
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: Nil.
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 17.
 Present number of shareholders: 74.
 Number of men employed by company: 9.
 Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preceding year: Nil.
 Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration: Nil.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: Nil.
 Total expenditure since registration: £867 11s. 6d.
 Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.
 Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.
 Amount of cash at banker's: £72 9s. 11d.
 Amount of cash in hand: £10 8s. 4d.
 Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.
 Amount of debts considered good: Nil.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): £108 14s. 10d.

I, Seering Hall Matthews, of Auckland, the Manager of the Waihi Reefs Gold-mining Company (No Liability), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company at the 31st day of December, 1896; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

SEERING H. MATTHEWS,
 Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 19th day of January, 1897,
 before me—D. B. McDonald, J.P. 173

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Owharoa Gold-mining Company (Limited).
 When formed, and date of registration: 19th November, 1894; 20th November, 1894.
 Whether in active operation or not: Not in active operation, being transferred into the Ohinemuri Syndicate.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Hobson's Buildings, Auckland; Seering Hall Matthews.
 Nominal capital: £37,500.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £37,500.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £1,777 18s. 1d.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): Nil.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: £938 10s.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 75,000.
 Number of shares allotted: 75,000.
 Amount paid up per share: Nil.
 Amount called up per share: 1s. 3d.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: 1: £83 11s. 6d.
 Number of shares forfeited: Nil.
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: Nil.
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 7.
 Present number of shareholders: 58.
 Number of men employed by company: Nil.
 Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preceding year: 11oz. 6dwt.; £23 8s. 9d.
 Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration: 11oz. 6dwt.; £23 8s. 9d.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £2,394 7s. 5d.
 Total expenditure since registration: £3,294 8s. 2d.
 Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.
 Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.
 Amount of cash at banker's: £27 12s. 11d.
 Amount of cash in hand: Nil.
 Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.
 Amount of debts considered good: Nil.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): £83 11s. 6d.

I, Seering Hall Matthews, of Auckland, the Manager of the Owharoa Gold-mining Company (Limited), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company at the 31st day of December, 1896; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

SEERING H. MATTHEWS,
Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 19th day of January, 1897,
before me—D. B. McDonald, J.P. 168

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Owharoa United Gold-mining Company (No Liability).
When formed, and date of registration: 8th July, 1896; 22nd August, 1896.
Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Hobson's Buildings, Shortland Street, Auckland; Seering Hall Matthews.
Nominal capital: £9,000.
Amount of capital subscribed: £9,000.
Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £735, being proceeds of sale of promoters' shares.
Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): Nil.
Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: £900.
Number of shares into which capital is divided: 60,000.
Number of shares allotted: 60,000.
Amount paid up per share: Nil.
Amount called up per share: Nil.
Number and amount of calls in arrear: Nil.
Number of shares forfeited: Nil.
Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: Nil.
Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 53.
Present number of shareholders: 64.
Number of men employed by company: 4.
Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preceding year: Nil.
Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration: Nil.
Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: Nil.
Total expenditure since registration: £703 14s. 6d.
Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.
Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.
Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.
Amount of cash at banker's: £48 15s. 7d.
Amount of cash in hand: £31 5s. 6d.
Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.
Amount of debts considered good: Nil.
Amount of contingent liabilities of company: £10 7s. 9d.

I, Seering Hall Matthews, of Auckland, Manager of the Owharoa United Gold-mining Company (No Liability), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company at the 31st day of December, 1896; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

SEERING H. MATTHEWS,
Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 19th day of January, 1897,
before me—D. B. McDonald, J.P. 169

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Carnage Gold-mining Company (No Liability).
When formed, and date of registration: 7th September, 1895; 13th September, 1895.
Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Hobson's Buildings, Auckland; Seering Hall Matthews.
Nominal capital: £9,000.
Amount of capital subscribed: £9,000.
Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £900, being proceeds of sale of promoters' shares.
Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): Nil.
Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: £900.
Number of shares into which capital is divided: 60,000.
Number of shares allotted: 60,000.
Amount paid up per share: Nil.
Amount called up per share: 2d.
Number and amount of calls in arrear: 1; £54 3s. 4d.

Number of shares forfeited: Nil.
Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: Nil.
Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 46.
Present number of shareholders: 103.
Number of men employed by company: 5.
Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preceding year: Nil.
Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration: Nil.
Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £424 13s. 10d.
Total expenditure since registration: £1,061 17s. 3d.
Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.
Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.
Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.
Amount of cash at banker's: £32 10s. 3d.
Amount of cash in hand: Nil.
Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.
Amount of debts considered good: Nil.
Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): Nil.

I, Seering Hall Matthews, of Auckland, the Manager of the Carnage Gold-mining Company (No Liability), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company at the 31st day of December, 1896; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

SEERING H. MATTHEWS,
Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 19th day of January, 1897,
before me—D. B. McDonald, J.P. 170

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Criterion Gold-mining Company (No Liability).
When formed, and date of registration: 6th July, 1896; 31st July, 1896.
Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Hobson's Buildings, Shortland Street, Auckland; Seering Hall Matthews.
Nominal capital: £11,000.
Amount of capital subscribed: £10,100.
Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £550.
Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): Nil.
Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: £9,000.
Number of shares into which capital is divided: 110,000.
Number of shares allotted: 101,000.
Amount paid up per share: Nil.
Amount called up per share: Nil.
Number and amount of calls in arrear: Nil.
Number of shares forfeited: Nil.
Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: Nil.
Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 49.
Present number of shareholders: 106.
Number of men employed by company: 6.
Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preceding year: Nil.
Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration: 9oz. 2dwt.; £26 11s. 7d.
Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: Nil.
Total expenditure since registration: £476 9s. 2d.
Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.
Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.
Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.
Amount of cash at banker's: £100 2s. 5d.
Amount of cash in hand: Nil.
Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.
Amount of debts considered good: Nil.
Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): £2 13s. 4d.

I, Seering Hall Matthews, of Auckland, the Manager of the Criterion Gold-mining Company (No Liability), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company at the 31st day of December, 1896; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

SEERING H. MATTHEWS,
Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 19th day of January, 1897,
before me—D. B. McDonald, J.P. 174

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Golden Point Gold-mining Company (No Liability).
 When formed, and date of registration: 23rd July, 1895; 4th September, 1895.
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Hobson's Buildings, Auckland; Seering Hall Matthews.
 Nominal capital: £100,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £100,000.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £5,000, being proceeds derived from sale of promoters' shares.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): Nil.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: £95,000.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided; 100,000.
 Number of shares allotted: 100,000.
 Amount paid up per share: 1s.
 Amount called up per share: Nil.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: Nil.
 Number of shares forfeited: Nil.
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: Nil.
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 98.
 Present number of shareholders: 216.
 Number of men employed by company: 9, not including contractors.
 Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preceding year: Nil.
 Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration: 7oz. 15dwt.; £23 5s.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £1,409 11s. 4d.
 Total expenditure since registration: £5,033 7s. 5d.
 Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.
 Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.
 Amount of cash at banker's: £50 12s. 7d.
 Amount of cash in hand: Nil.
 Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.
 Amount of debts considered good: Nil.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): £100.

I, Seering Hall Matthews, of Auckland, the Manager of the Golden Point Gold-mining Company (No Liability), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company at the 31st day of December, 1896; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

SEERING H. MATTHEWS,
 Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 20th day of January, 1897, before me—H. M. Shepherd, J.P. 175

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY

Name of company: De Hirsch Gold-mining Company (No Liability).
 When formed, and date of registration: 12th October, 1896; 12th December, 1896.
 Whether in active operation or not: Not in active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Hobson's Buildings, Shortland Street, Auckland; Seering Hall Matthews.
 Nominal capital: £1,200.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £1,075.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £87 10s.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): Nil.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: Nil.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 24,000.
 Number of shares allotted: 24,000.
 Amount paid up per share: Nil.
 Amount called up per share: Nil.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: Nil.
 Number of shares forfeited: Nil.
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: Nil.
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 10.
 Present number of shareholders: 11.
 Number of men employed by company: None.
 Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preceding year: Nil.
 Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration: Nil.

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Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: Nil.
 Total expenditure since registration: £23 18s.
 Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.
 Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.
 Amount of cash at banker's: £63 12s.
 Amount of cash in hand: Nil.
 Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.
 Amount of debts considered good: Nil.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company: £9 15s. 6d.

I, Seering Hall Matthews, of Auckland, the Manager of the De Hirsch Gold-mining Company (No Liability), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company on the 31st day of December, 1896; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

SEERING H. MATTHEWS,
 Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 20th day of January, 1897, before me—H. M. Shepherd, J.P. 176

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Waimarie Gold-mining Company (No Liability).
 When formed, and date of registration: 7th August, 1896; 29th October, 1896.
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Hobson's Buildings, Shortland Street, Auckland; Seering Hall Matthews.
 Nominal capital: £4,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £3,125.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £525, being proceeds of sale of promoters' shares.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): Nil.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: £525.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 80,000.
 Number of shares allotted: 62,500.
 Amount paid up per share: Nil.
 Amount called up per share: Nil.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: Nil.
 Number of shares forfeited: Nil.
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: Nil.
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 70.
 Present number of shareholders: 70.
 Number of men employed by company: 4.
 Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preceding year: Nil.
 Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration: Nil.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: Nil.
 Total expenditure since registration: £275 3s. 10d.
 Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.
 Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.
 Amount of cash at banker's: £176 1s. 8d.
 Amount of cash in hand: £30.
 Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.
 Amount of debts considered good: Nil.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company: £32 11s. 11d.

I, Seering Hall Matthews, of Auckland, Manager of the Waimarie Gold-mining Company (No Liability), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company on the 31st day of December, 1896; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

SEERING H. MATTHEWS,
 Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 20th day of January, 1897, before me—H. M. Shepherd, J.P. 177

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Flemington Gold-mining Company (Limited).
 When formed, and date of registration: 22nd September, 1896; 1st October, 1896.
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Hobson's Buildings, Shortland Street, Auckland; Seering Hall Matthews.

Nominal capital: £7,500.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £5,000.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £207 Os. 7d.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same: Nil.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: Nil.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 75,000.
 Number of shares allotted: 50,000.
 Amount paid up per share: Nil.
 Amount called up per share: 2d.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: 1; £3 7s. 9d.
 Number of shares forfeited: Nil.
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: Nil.
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 11.
 Present number of shareholders: 23.
 Number of men employed by company: 4.
 Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preceding year: Nil.
 Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration: Nil.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: Nil.
 Total expenditure since registration: £198 16s. 1d.
 Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.
 Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.
 Amount of cash at banker's: £6 3s. 1d.
 Amount of cash in hand: Nil.
 Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.
 Amount of debts considered good: Nil.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company: Nil.

I, Seering Hall Matthews, of Auckland, the Manager of the Flemington Gold-mining Company (Limited), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company at the 31st day of December, 1896; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

SEERING H. MATTHEWS,
 Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 20th day of January, 1897; before me—H. M. Shepherd, J.P. 178

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Kennedy's Bay Township and Gold-mining Company (Limited).
 When formed, and date of registration: 5th August, 1896; 11th August, 1896.
 Whether in active operation or not: Not in active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Hobson's Buildings, Shortland Street, Auckland; Seering Hall Matthews.
 Nominal capital: £2,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £2,000.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £367 10s.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): £250; nil.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: £250.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 200.
 Number of shares allotted: 200.
 Amount paid per share: £2 15s.
 Amount called up per share: £2 15s.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: 1; £120.
 Number of shares forfeited: Nil.
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: Nil.
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 9.
 Present number of shareholders: 9.
 Number of men employed by company: Nil.
 Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preceding year: Nil.
 Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration: Nil.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: Nil.
 Total expenditure since registration: £630 7s. 6d.
 Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.
 Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.
 Amount of cash at banker's: Nil.
 Amount of cash in hand: Nil.
 Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.
 Amount of debts considered good: Nil.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company: £280 17s. 6d.

I, Seering Hall Matthews, of Auckland, the Manager of the Kennedy's Bay Township and Gold-mining Company (Limited), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company at the 31st day of December, 1896; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

SEERING H. MATTHEWS,
 Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 20th day of January, 1897, before me—H. M. Shepherd, J.P. 179

I, THE undersigned, hereby make application to register the Great Maratoto 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 Great Maratoto Gold-mining Company (No Liability).
2. The place of operations (or intended operations) is at Maratoto, Hauraki Mining District.
3. The registered office of the company will be situated at Legal Chambers, Queen Street, 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 eighty thousand, of sixpence each.
6. The number of shares subscribed for is eighty thousand.
7. The name of the Manager is William Clarke.
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.
Mair, Gilbert, Paeroa	4,000
Moss, E. G. B., Paeroa, Solicitor	1,250
Moss, E. G. B., Paeroa, Solicitor (in trust account No. 1)	2,000
Moss, E. G. B., Paeroa, Solicitor (in trust account No. 2)	250
Carnachan, W., Paeroa	500
Kneebone, John, Bank of New Zealand Buildings, Auckland, Mining Agent	6,954
Gentles, Herbert, Bank of New Zealand Buildings, Auckland, Mining Agent	6,954
Purchas, C. E., Queen Street, Auckland, Solicitor	6,954
Ballantyne, R., Survey Office, Auckland, Draughtsman	6,954
Littler, A., High Street, Auckland	6,955
Gaudie, W. R., Auckland	6,955
Self, J. R., Queen Street, Auckland, Draper	6,955
Martin, W. A., Paeroa, Surveyor	6,955
Worthington, F. H., Auckland	16,864
Total	80,000

Dated this 14th day of January, 1897.

WM. CLARKE,
 Manager.

Witness to signature—Edw. L. Russel.

I, William Clarke, 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. CLARKE.

Taken before me, at Auckland, this 14th day of January, 1897—Frederick L. Prime, J.P. 166

I, THE undersigned, hereby make application to register the Lioness 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 Lioness Gold-mining Company (No Liability).
2. The place of operations (or intended operations) is at Karangahake.
3. The registered office of the company will be situated at No. 2, Hobson's Buildings, Shortland Street, Auckland.
4. The value of the company's property, including claim or lease ground and machinery, is £750.
5. The number of shares in the company is sixty thousand, of fourpence each.
6. The number of shares subscribed for is sixty thousand.
7. The name of the Manager is Charles Arthur Stubbs.
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.
Blaikie, James B., Auckland, Ironmonger ..	8,000
Biggs, Thomas, Paeroa ..	20,000
Daldy, W. C., jun., Auckland, Legal Manager ..	4,000
Julian, James T., Auckland, Contractor ..	4,000
Kemp, B. J. M., Auckland, Gentleman ..	4,000
Minetti, Thomas, Devonport, Baker ..	4,000
Rainger, William, Auckland, Sharebroker ..	4,000
Stubbs, Charles Arthur, Auckland, Legal Manager (in trust) ..	4,000
Tanner, H. C. N., Auckland, Merchant ..	4,000
Wright, Arthur, Auckland, Merchant ..	4,000
Total ..	60,000

Dated this 24th day of December, 1896.

C. A. STUBBS,
Manager.

Witness to signature—W. A. Ridings.

I, Charles Arthur Stubbs, 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."

C. A. STUBBS.

Taken before me, this 24th day of December, 1896—J. Russell, a Solicitor of the Supreme Court of New Zealand.

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I, THE undersigned, hereby make application to register the Grosvenor United as a limited company under the provisions of "The Mining Companies Act, 1894."

1. The name of the company is to be the Grosvenor United Gold-mining Company (Limited).
2. The place of operations (or intended operations) is at Thames.
3. The registered office of the company will be situated at the Bank of New Zealand Buildings, Auckland.
4. The nominal capital of the company is £2,968 15s., in 23,750 shares of 2s. 6d. each.
5. The number of shares subscribed for is twenty-three thousand seven hundred and fifty, being not less than two-thirds of the entire number of shares in the company.
6. The number of paid-up shares (if any) is nil.
7. The amount already paid up is nil.
8. The name of the Manager is Arthur Merritt Beale.
9. 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.
Moorcraft, George, Coromandel, Miner ..	2,843
Moorcraft, Thomas, Thames, Miner ..	2,843
Beale, Ernest Clifton, Auckland, Solicitor ..	552
Beale, Margaret Emma Hilton, Auckland, Domestic Duties ..	6,000
Dawson, John, Auckland, Gentleman ..	5,263
Hammond, F. J., Auckland, Solicitor ..	1,851
Wood, Thomas, Auckland, Gentleman ..	687
Colbeck, John Cordingly, Auckland, Agent ..	750
Walker, Horace, Auckland, Insurance Manager ..	833
Bankart, Alfred S., Auckland, Accountant ..	750
Smith, J. R., Auckland, Instructor ..	126
Younghusband, O. R., Auckland, Sharebroker ..	126
Chatfield, A. W., Auckland, Dentist ..	126
Dawson, John, Auckland, Gentleman (in trust) ..	1,000
Total ..	23,750

Dated this 21st day of January, 1897.

A. M. BEALE,
Manager.

Witness to signature—E. C. Beale, Solicitor, Auckland.

I, Arthur Merritt Beale, of Auckland, Legal Manager, 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."

A. M. BEALE.

Taken before me, this 21st day of January, 1897—E. C. Beale, a Solicitor of the Supreme Court of New Zealand.

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I, THE undersigned, hereby make application to register the New Year 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 New Year Gold-mining Company (No Liability).
2. The place of operations (or intended operations) is at Tairua.
3. The registered office of the company will be situated at 10 and 11, New Zealand Insurance Buildings, Queen Street, Auckland.
4. The value of the company's property, including claim or lease ground, is two hundred and sixty-four pounds.
5. The number of shares in the company is one hundred thousand, of one shilling each.
6. The number of shares subscribed for is ninety-six thousand.
7. The name of the Manager is Dennis Gilmore MacDonnell.
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.
Gordon, Herbert, Karangahake, Miner ..	38,000
Farrell, Robert, Auckland, Miner ..	24,000
Campbell, Alexander, Thames, Miner ..	12,000
Amodeo, Frank, Auckland, Master Mariner ..	2,000
Mahony, Edmund, Auckland, Solicitor ..	2,000
Tempest, Alphonsus, Parnell, Gentleman ..	2,000
Morrin, Thomas, Auckland, Gentleman ..	4,000
Wilkins, John, Auckland, Surgeon ..	500
Wright, Arthur, Auckland, Merchant Tailor ..	1,000
Hellaby, William, Auckland, Butcher ..	1,000
Hooper, John H., Auckland, Surgeon ..	500
Amodeo, F. E., Auckland, Tailor ..	500
Aickin, Graves, Auckland, Chemist ..	500
Hill, L. D., Thames, Miner ..	8,000
New Year Gold-mining Company (No Liability) ..	4,000
Total ..	100,000

Dated this 20th day of January, 1897.

D. G. MACDONNELL,
Manager.

Witness to signature—C. Wallnutt.

I, Dennis Gilmore MacDonnell, 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."

D. G. MACDONNELL.

Taken before me, this 20th day of January, 1897—H. M. Shepherd, J.P.

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In the matter of "The Mining Act, 1891," and of "The Foreign Companies Act, 1884," and of the Hauraki Main Lodes (Limited).

NOTICE is hereby given that the Office or place of business of the above-named company in New Zealand, where legal proceedings of any kind may be served upon it, and to which notices of any kind may be addressed or given, is at the corner of Shortland Street and O'Connell Street, in the City of Auckland.

Dated at Auckland, the 6th day of January, 1897.

HERBERT W. FLINT,
Attorney for the Company.

WYNYARD AND PURCHAS,
Solicitors for the Company, Bank of New Zealand
Chambers, Queen Street, Auckland.

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THE WAITEKAURI CONSOLIDATED 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 offices of Mr. Henry Gilfillan, Nos. 40 and 41, New Zealand Insurance Buildings, Auckland.

H. BRETT,
J. P. LAWSON,
Attorneys of the said Company.

Messrs. BUDDLE, BUTTON, AND CO.,
Wyndham Street, Auckland, Solicitors for the
Company.

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NOTICE.—APPLICATION FOR WATER-RACE.

UNDER "THE MINING ACT, 1891," AND "THE PUBLIC WORKS ACT, 1894."

Otago Mining District,
16th January, 1897.

To the Warden at Cromwell.

I HEREBY give notice that I am applying for a water-race to divert and use for industrial purposes, commencing at a spring, Burnt Cottage Creek, through Pre-emptive Right B on Run 245, Section 3, Cromwell District, and terminating at my homestead, Wanaka Road.

The length of such race is 1 mile or thereabouts, and its intended course is easterly.

The mean depth of such race is 1ft., and the mean breadth is 1ft.; and it is proposed to divert one-eighth of a Government head of water.

Such race is already constructed.

ALFRED CLARK
(Per his Agent, JOHN WEBNER).

Hearing at Cromwell, on the first Court day in February, 1897. 208

In the matter of "The Mining Companies Act, 1891," and the Aurora Mining Company (No Liability).

NOTICE is hereby given, pursuant to the provisions of "The Mining Companies Act, 1891," that the Office or place of business of the Aurora Gold-mining Company (No Liability) has been removed from 106, 107, Victoria Arcade, Auckland, to No. 111, Victoria Arcade, Auckland; and that Mr. JOHN F. CHURTON has been appointed Manager, vice Mr. W. R. Waters, resigned.

ARTHUR WRIGHT,
JOSIAH D. WEBSTER, } Directors.

The common seal of the Aurora Gold-mining Company (No Liability) was hereto affixed, by order of the Directors, in the presence of J. F. Churton, Legal Manager. Auckland, 12th January, 1897. 191

In the matter of "The Mining Companies Act, 1891," and the Golden Tokatea Gold-mining Company (No Liability).

NOTICE is hereby given, pursuant to the provisions of "The Mining Companies Act, 1891," that the Office or place of business of the Golden Tokatea Gold-mining Company (No Liability) has been removed from 106 and 107, Victoria Arcade, Auckland, to No. 111, Victoria Arcade, Auckland; and that Mr. JOHN F. CHURTON has been appointed Manager, vice Mr. W. R. Waters, resigned.

W. LEDINGHAM,
JAMES WINGATE, } Directors.

The common seal of the Golden Tokatea Gold-mining Company was affixed hereto, by order of the Directors, in the presence of J. F. Churton, Legal Manager. Auckland, 19th January, 1897. 192

In the matter of "The Mining Companies Act, 1891," and the Duke of Argyle Gold-mining Company (No Liability).

NOTICE is hereby given, pursuant to the provisions of "The Mining Act, 1891," that the Office or place of business of the Duke of Argyle Gold-mining Company (No Liability) has been removed from 106, 107, Victoria Arcade, Auckland, to No. 111, Victoria Arcade, Auckland; and that Mr. JOHN F. CHURTON has been appointed Manager, vice Mr. W. R. Waters, resigned.

W. LEDINGHAM,
GRAVES AICKIN, } Directors.

The common seal of the Duke of Argyle Gold-mining Company (No Liability) was hereto affixed, by order of the Directors, in the presence of J. F. Churton, Legal Manager. Auckland, 12th January, 1897. 193

In the matter of "The Mining Companies Act, 1891," and the Komata Mining Company (No Liability).

NOTICE is hereby given, pursuant to the provisions of "The Mining Companies Act, 1891," that the Office or place of business of the Komata Gold-mining Company (No Liability) has been removed from 106, 107, Victoria Arcade, Auckland, to No. 111, Victoria Arcade, Auckland; and that Mr. JOHN F. CHURTON has been appointed Manager, vice Mr. W. R. Waters, resigned.

W. LEDINGHAM,
WILL. SHARLAND, } Directors.

The common seal of the Komata Gold-mining Company (No Liability) was hereto affixed, by order of the Directors, in the presence of J. F. Churton, Legal Manager. Auckland, 12th January, 1897. 194

In the matter of "The Mining Companies Act, 1891," and the Karaka Queen Gold-mining Company (No Liability).

NOTICE is hereby given, pursuant to the provisions of "The Mining Companies Act, 1891," that the Office or place of business of the Karaka Queen Gold-mining Company (No Liability) has been removed from 106, 107, Victoria Arcade, Auckland, to No. 111, Victoria Arcade; and that Mr. JOHN F. CHURTON has been appointed Manager, vice Mr. W. R. Waters, resigned.

W. LEDINGHAM,
JOHN G. RALPH, } Directors.

The common seal of the Karaka Queen Gold-mining Company (No Liability) was hereto affixed, by order of the Directors, in the presence of J. F. Churton, Legal Manager. Auckland, 12th January, 1897. 195

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 corner of Shortland and O'Connell Streets, in the City of Auckland, to 135, Queen Street, in the same city.

Dated at Auckland, this 21st day of January, 1897.

HERBERT W. FLINT,

Attorney for the Company.

WYNYARD AND PURCHAS,
Solicitors for the Company,
Queen Street, Auckland. 213

In the matter of "The Mining Act, 1891," and of "The Foreign Companies Act, 1884," and of the Hauraki Main Lodes (Limited).

NOTICE is hereby given that the Office or place of business of the above-named company has been changed from the corner of Shortland and O'Connell Streets, in the City of Auckland, to 135, Queen Street, in the same city.

Dated at Auckland, this 21st day of January, 1897.

HERBERT W. FLINT,

Attorney for the Company.

WYNYARD AND PURCHAS,
Solicitors for the Company,
Queen Street, Auckland. 214

ROSEBERRY COAL COMPANY (LIMITED).

Auckland, 18th January, 1897.

NOTICE is hereby given that at an extraordinary general meeting of the above company, held at the office of the company, Shortland Street, Auckland, on the 18th day of January, 1897, the following extraordinary resolution was unanimously passed: "That it has been proved to the satisfaction of the company that it cannot, by reason of its liabilities, continue its business, and that it is advisable to wind up the same, and accordingly that the company be wound up voluntarily."

WM. HANDLEY,

196 Chairman of above-mentioned Meeting.

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 date of Gazette containing this notice.

6983. FRANCIS BEAUMARIS BULKELEY and HENRY CHARLES BULKELEY.—1 rood, Section 844, City of Christchurch. Occupied as to parts by Thomas Kincaid, Thomas Turner, Aitken and Roberts, and monthly tenants.

6984. FRANCIS BEAUMARIS BULKELEY and HENRY CHARLES BULKELEY.—1 rood 1 perch, Section 841, City of Christchurch. Occupied as to parts by John Murray, Langdon and Steel, J. A. Cooke, H. B. Lane, and monthly tenants.

6985. FRANCIS BEAUMARIS BULKELEY and HENRY CHARLES BULKELEY.—53 acres 3 roods, Rural Section 111, Christchurch Survey District. Occupied as to parts by John Owens, S. Goodwin, and A. Dunn.

Diagrams may be inspected at this office.

Dated this 26th day of January, 1897, at the Lands Registry Office, Christchurch.

G. G. BRIDGES,
District Land Registrar.

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.

7996. JAMES JACK.—236 acres and 6 perches, part of Rural Section 4229, Mairaki Survey District. Occupied by Applicant.

7997. WILLIAM GILLIES.—50 acres, Rural Section 4231, Nimrod Survey District. Occupied by Walter Scott.

7998. GEORGE BOWRON.—1 acre and 8 perches, part of Rural Section 41, City of Christchurch. Occupied by Nicholas Martin and George William Allan.

7999. HENRY LAYTON BOWKER.—16 perches, part of Rural Section 69, Borough of Linwood. Occupied by William Bastion.

8000. PHILIP HENRY CANNON.—2 acres 1 rood 22 perches, part of Rural Section 163, Christchurch Survey District. Occupied by Applicant.

8001. MARY ANNE ELIZA LANCE.—52 acres 2 roods, parts of Rural Sections 7553 and 9916, Waipara Survey District. Occupied by Applicant.

Diagrams may be inspected at this office.

Dated this 23rd day of January, 1897, 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 1st day of March, 1897.

2554. FRANCIS WALLACE MACKENZIE.—120 acres, part Sections 37 and 39, Harbour District. Unoccupied.

2592. MARY THOMPSON and MARGARET THOMPSON.—87 acres 3 roods 32 perches, parts of Section 7, Harbour District. Occupied by Applicants.

2640. GEORGE TAIT.—252 acres, Sections 21, 24, 32, 33, Waitotara District. Occupied by William Sutton.

Diagrams may be inspected at this office.

Dated this 27th day of January, 1897, at the Lands Registry Office, Wellington.

J. M. BATHAM,
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 calendar month from the date of publication hereof.

Sections 9, 10, 11, 12, Block II., Town of Clyde.—RICHARD SIDNEY GILKISON, Applicant. Occupied by Moses Holden. No. 4180.

Part of Sections 50, 51, Block IV., Town of Dunedin.—GEORGE COWIE, Applicant. Occupied by Alexander Thompson. No. 4181.

Diagrams may be inspected at this office.

Dated this 25th day of January, 1897, at the Lands Registry Office, Dunedin.

H. TURTON,
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 calendar month from the date of publication hereof.

Pre-emptive rights on Run 245, applications 90c, 102c, Wakefield District; application 8421, Cromwell District; and applications 8422, 6639, Tarras District; also pre-emptive right on Run 340, application 105c, Kawarau District.—EDMUND WILLIAM PARKER, Applicant. Occupied by Applicant. No. 4178.

Section 37, Upper Harbour East District, and Allotments 2, 3, Block VII., Greenwich Park Estate.—ALEXANDER SAMUEL ADAMS and ROBERT GLENDINING, Applicants. Occupied by Mary Glendining. No. 4179.

Diagrams may be inspected at this office.

Dated this 18th day of January, 1897, at the Lands Registry Office, Dunedin.

H. TURTON,
District Land Registrar.

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Private Advertisements.

I, WILLIAM STEWART ROSS, Bachelor of Medicine, Bachelor of Surgery, Bachelor in Obstetric Art, Trin. Coll. Dubl. 1889, now residing in Waipiro Bay, hereby give notice that I intend applying, on the 21st of February, 1897, to have my name placed on the Medical Register for the Colony of New Zealand; and that I have deposited the evidence of my qualification in the office of the Registrar of Births and Deaths at Napier.

W. S. ROSS.

Dated at Waipiro Bay,
16th January, 1897.

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I, GEORGE THOMAS HUMPHREY DE CLIVE-LOWE, Licentiate of the Royal College of Physicians, Edinburgh; Licentiate of the Royal College of Surgeons, Edinburgh; Licentiate of the faculty of Physicians and Surgeons, Glasgow; now residing in Hokianga, hereby give notice that I intend applying on the 20th February next to have my name placed on the Medical Register for the Colony of New Zealand; and that I have deposited the evidence of my qualification in the office of the Registrar of Births and Deaths at Auckland.

GEORGE THOMAS HUMPHREY
DE CLIVE-LOWE.

Dated at Auckland, 20th January, 1897.

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I, CHARLES SEAWARD CANTRELL, Bachelor of Medicine and Master of Surgery of Edinburgh University, now residing in Invercargill, hereby give notice that I intend applying, on the 19th February, 1897, to have my name placed on the Medical Register for the Colony of New Zealand; and that I have deposited the evidence of my qualification in the office of the Registrar of Births and Deaths at Invercargill.

CHARLES SEAWARD CANTRELL.

Dated at Invercargill, 18th January, 1897.

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I, WILLIAM BARTLETT, Member of the Royal College of Surgeons of England, 1873, now residing in Wellington, hereby give notice that I intend applying on the 1st of March next to have my name placed on the Medical Register for the Colony of New Zealand; and that I have deposited the evidence of my qualification in the office of the Registrar-General.

Dated at Wellington, 27th January, 1897.

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WILLIAM BARTLETT.

THE MARLBOROUGH FARMERS' CO-OPERATIVE ASSOCIATION.

NOTICE is hereby given that an extraordinary general meeting of shareholders of the above Association was held at the Good Templars' Hall, Grove Road, on Saturday, 23rd January, 1897, when the following extraordinary resolution was passed: "That it has been proved to the satisfaction of the shareholders that the company cannot by reason of its liabilities continue its business, and it is therefore advisable to wind up the same." And the following resolution was also passed: "That the Marlborough Farmers' Co-operative Association be now wound up, and that Mr. Edward Mead be appointed Liquidator."

E. MEAD,

Blenheim, 26th January, 1897.

Liquidator.

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THE GORE AND MATAURA DISTRICT STANDARD-PRINTING COMPANY (LIMITED).

NOTICE is hereby given, in pursuance of section 202 of "The Companies Act, 1882," that a general meeting of the members of the above-named company will be held, at the Town Hall, Gore, on Friday, the 2nd day of April, 1897, at 3 o'clock in the afternoon, for the purpose of having an account laid before them showing the manner in which the winding-up has been conducted and the property of the company disposed of, and of hearing any explanation that may be given by the Liquidators; and also of determining, by extraordinary resolution, the manner in which the books, accounts, and documents of the company, and of the Liquidators thereof, shall be disposed of.

Dated the 19th day of January, 1897.

JAMES BEATTIE, } Liquidators.
ALFRED LATHAM, }

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NEW PLYMOUTH SAVINGS-BANK.

NOTICE is hereby given that the rate of interest upon deposits with this bank will be reduced to four per cent. on and after the 1st February, 1897.

Dated New Plymouth, this 26th day of January, 1897.
R. PARRIS,
Vice-President.

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