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Tauranga Police Gaol ceased to be a Police Gaol.

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

WHEREAS by an Act of the General Assembly of New Zealand intituled "The Prisons Act, 1882," it is enacted that the Governor may, by Proclamation in the *New Zealand Gazette*, declare that any prison or police gaol shall no longer be a prison or police gaol; and upon the gazettement of such Proclamation, or from and after any later day fixed in such Proclamation for the purpose, such prison or police gaol shall cease to be a prison or police gaol:

Now, therefore, I, David, Earl of Glasgow, the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, in pursuance of the above-recited power and authority, do hereby declare that, from and after the gazettement of this Proclamation, the police gaol at Tauranga, in the Provincial District of Auckland, shall cease to be a police gaol.

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

T. THOMPSON.

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN!

Rural Lands in the Canterbury Land District open for Selection on Lease in Perpetuity.

GLASGOW, Governor.

In pursuance and exercise of the powers and authorities conferred upon me by "The Land for Settlements Act, 1894," and the one hundred and thirty-sixth section of "The Land Act, 1892," I, David, Earl of Glasgow, the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, having received the report of the Surveyor-General in this behalf, as in the said one hundred and thirty-sixth section is provided, do hereby declare that the rural lands enumerated in the Schedule hereto shall be open for selection on and after the twenty-fourth day of March, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven, and that the said lands may be selected on lease in perpetuity, subject to the provisions of "The Land Act, 1892"; and I do hereby declare that the rentals at which the said lands shall be leased shall be those mentioned in the said Schedule hereto opposite the description of such lands respectively.

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SCHEDULE.

CANTERBURY LAND DISTRICT.—SELWYN COUNTY.—CHRIST-CHURCH SURVEY DISTRICT.—OTARAKARO SETTLEMENT.

First-class Land.

Section.	Block.	Area.	Lease in Perpetuity Rent, 5 per cent.	
			Rent per Acre.	Half-yearly Rent.
1	X.	A. R. P.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
2	"	5 0 0	2 14 3	6 15 8
3	"	5 2 18	2 14 3	7 12 3
4	"	7 0 31	2 14 3	9 15 2
5	"	5 2 0	2 14 3	7 9 3
6	"	5 2 0	2 14 3	7 9 3
7	"	5 2 0	2 14 3	7 9 3

On Section 3 the sum of £1 19s. has also to be paid half-yearly for the period of ten years, as interest and sinking fund on buildings.

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

JOHN MCKENZIE,
Minister of Lands.

Notifying Lands in Southland for Sale by Public Auction.

GLASGOW, Governor.

In pursuance of the powers and authorities conferred upon me by the one hundred and thirteenth section of "The Land Act, 1892," I, David, Earl of Glasgow, the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, do hereby appoint Thursday, the first day of April, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven, as the time at which the lands enumerated in the Schedule hereto shall be sold by public auction at Invercargill; and I do hereby fix the prices at which the said lands shall be sold as those mentioned in the said Schedule hereto opposite the description of such lands respectively.

SCHEDULE.

SOUTHLAND LAND DISTRICT.

Section.	Area.	Upset Price.
ORAKA TOWNSHIP. Suburban Land.		
	A. R. P.	£ s. d.
63	0 3 1	1 10 3
64	0 2 0	1 0 0
75	0 2 15	1 3 9
76	1 1 9	2 12 3

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.

Notifying Lands in Marlborough for Sale by Public Auction.

GLASGOW, Governor.

IN pursuance of the powers and authorities conferred upon me by the one hundred and thirteenth section of "The Land Act, 1892," I, David, Earl of Glasgow, the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, do hereby appoint Wednesday, the thirty-first day of March, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven, as the time at which the lands enumerated in the Schedule hereto shall be sold by public auction at Blenheim; and I do hereby fix the prices at which the said lands shall be sold as those mentioned in the said Schedule hereto following the description of such lands.

SCHEDULE.

MARLBOROUGH LAND DISTRICT.—GORE SURVEY DISTRICT.

On Warwick Run.

Section.	Block.	Area.	Upset Price.
		A. R. P.	£ s. d.
4	III.	1,009 0 0	403 12 0
Weighted with £50 9s. cost of survey, and £1,280 value of improvements.			
6	IV.	1,170 0 0	468 0 0
Weighted with £58 10s. cost of survey, and £575 value of improvements.			
53	VIII.	365 0 0	146 0 0
Weighted with £18 5s. cost of survey.			

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

JOHN McKENZIE,
Minister of Lands.

Rural Lands in the Canterbury Land District open for Selection on Lease in Perpetuity.

GLASGOW, Governor.

IN pursuance and exercise of the powers and authorities conferred upon me by "The Land for Settlements Act, 1894," and the one hundred and thirty-sixth section of "The Land Act, 1892," I, David, Earl of Glasgow, the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, having received the report of the Surveyor-General in this behalf, as in the said one hundred and thirty-sixth section is provided, do hereby declare that the rural lands enumerated in the Schedule hereto shall be open for selection on and after the twenty-fourth day of March, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven, and that the said lands may be selected on lease in perpetuity, subject to the provisions of "The Land Act, 1892"; and I do hereby declare that the rentals at which the said lands shall be leased shall be those mentioned in the said Schedule hereto opposite the description of such lands respectively.

SCHEDULE.

CANTERBURY LAND DISTRICT.—SELWYN COUNTY.—CHRISTCHURCH SURVEY DISTRICT.—WHARENUI SETTLEMENT.

First-class Land.

Section.	Block.	Area.	Lease in Perpetuity: Rent, 5 per cent.	
			Rent per Acre.	Half-yearly Rent.
		A. R. P.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
1	X.	2 3 0	3 6 0	*1 11 2
2	"	2 3 0	3 6 0	4 10 9
3	"	2 3 0	3 6 0	4 10 9
4	"	2 3 26	3 6 0	4 16 1
5	"	2 0 17	3 6 0	3 9 6
6	"	3 0 0	3 6 0	4 19 0
7	"	3 0 0	3 6 0	4 19 0
8	"	3 0 0	3 6 0	4 19 0
9	"	3 0 0	3 6 0	4 19 0
10	"	3 0 0	3 6 0	4 19 0
11	"	3 0 0	3 6 0	4 19 0
12	"	2 2 4	3 6 0	4 3 4
13	"	2 0 0	3 6 0	3 6 0
14	"	2 0 0	3 6 0	3 6 0
15	"	2 0 0	3 6 0	3 6 0
16	"	2 0 0	3 6 0	3 6 0
17	"	3 0 0	3 6 0	4 19 0
19	"	2 2 0	3 6 0	4 2 6
20	"	2 2 0	3 6 0	4 2 6
21	"	2 2 0	3 6 0	4 2 6
22	"	2 2 0	3 6 0	4 2 6
23	"	2 2 0	3 6 0	4 2 6
24	"	2 2 0	3 6 0	4 2 6
25	"	2 0 0	3 6 0	3 6 0
26	"	1 1 28	3 6 0	2 7 0
18	"	10 0 15	3 6 0	{ 16 13 1 *9 6 11

* Interest and sinking fund on building.

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

JOHN McKENZIE,
Minister of Lands.

Altering Legal Landing-places at Wellington.

GLASGOW, Governor.

IN exercise of the power in me for this purpose vested by "The Customs Laws Consolidation Act, 1882," I, David, Earl of Glasgow, the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, do hereby annul the Order numbered one hundred and forty, and dated the thirty-first day of January, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-one, in which the legal landing-places for the Port of Wellington were set out and appointed, and in lieu thereof do declare and appoint that, from the day of the date hereof, the wharves known as

- The Queen's Wharf,
- Jervois Quay (from the Queen's Wharf as far as the southern end of the berth known as No. 14),
- The Wool Jetty,
- The Railway Wharf, and
- The Wharf connecting the Wool Jetty and Railway Wharf at their heads,

shall be deemed and taken to be legal landing-places at the Port of Wellington for the lading and unloading of goods under "The Customs Laws Consolidation Act, 1882."

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

WM. HALL JONES.

Governor's Order No. 151.]

Notifying Land in Palmerston North for Sale by Public Auction.

GLASGOW, Governor.

IN pursuance of the powers and authorities conferred upon me by the eleventh section of "The Reserves Disposal and Exchange Act, 1895," I, David, Earl of Glasgow, the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, do hereby appoint Wednesday, the twelfth day of May, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven, as the time at which the lands enumerated in the Schedule hereto shall be sold by public auction; and I do hereby fix the prices at which the said lands shall be sold as those mentioned in the said Schedule hereto, following the description of such lands respectively.

SCHEDULE.

WELLINGTON LAND DISTRICT.
Town of Palmerston North.

Section No. 822: 1 acre 1 rood; upset price, £200.
Section No. 1086: 1 acre 2 roods 6 perches; upset price, £100.

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.

Private Secretary to the Administrator of the Government appointed.

Private Secretary's Office,
Wellington, 8th February, 1897.

HIS Excellency the Administrator of the Government has been pleased to appoint
CHARLES PRENDERGAST KNIGHT, Esq., LL.B.,
to be his Private Secretary.
By order.

C. PRENDERGAST KNIGHT,
Private Secretary.

Legislative Councillors appointed.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Wellington, 3rd February, 1897.

HIS Excellency the Governor has, in Her Majesty's name, summoned
BENJAMIN HARRIS, Esq., of Tuakau;
WILLIAM KELLY, Esq., of Auckland; and
DAVID PINKERTON, Esq., of Dunedin,
to the Legislative Council of New Zealand by writs of summons under the Seal of the said colony of this day's date.
A. J. CADMAN,
Acting Colonial Secretary.

Registrar of Marriages, &c., appointed.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Wellington, 3rd February, 1897.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint
WILLIAM CHARLES FORSDICK
to be Registrar of Marriages and of Births and Deaths, and also to be Vaccination Inspector, for the District of Tairua, vice A. O. Field, resigned, on and from the 4th instant.
J. CARROLL,
Acting Colonial Secretary.

Deputy Registrar of Marriages, &c., appointed.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Wellington, 4th February, 1897.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint
JAMES STODDART MATTHEWS
to be the Deputy of the Registrar of Marriages and of Births and Deaths for the District of Reefton.
J. CARROLL,
Acting Colonial Secretary.

Inspectors of Abattoirs, &c., in Waikato County appointed.

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

HIS Excellency the Administrator of the Government has been pleased to appoint
THOMAS WHITE and
JAMES MCPHERSON
to be Inspectors of Abattoirs and Slaughterhouses and of Cattle intended for Slaughter, under "The Abattoirs and Slaughterhouses Act, 1894," for the County of Waikato.
J. CARROLL,
Acting Colonial Secretary.

Public Vaccinator, Shannon, appointed.

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

HIS Excellency the Administrator of the Government has been pleased to appoint
JAMES GRAHAM JEFFREYS, Esq., L.S.A. Lond., &c.,
to be a Public Vaccinator, under "The Public Health Act, 1876," for the District of Shannon.
J. CARROLL,
Acting Colonial Secretary.

Member of Licensing Committee appointed.

Department of Justice,
Wellington, 28th January, 1897.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint
WILLIAM HENRY SMITH
to be a member of the Licensing Committee for the District of Waiapu.
T. THOMPSON.

Gaoler appointed.

Department of Justice (Prisons Branch),
Wellington, 2nd February, 1897.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint
BARTHOLOMEW LLOYD O'BRIEN
to be Gaoler of Her Majesty's Prison at New Plymouth.
T. THOMPSON.

Stipendiary Magistrate appointed.

Department of Justice,
Wellington, 6th February, 1897.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint
WILLIAM REEVE HASELDEN, Esq.,
to be a Stipendiary Magistrate for the Colony, with ordinary and extended jurisdiction. Appointment to date from 6th February instant.
T. THOMPSON.

Sheriff appointed.

Department of Justice,
Wellington, 6th February, 1897.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint
WILLIAM REEVE HASELDEN, Esq., S.M.,
to be Sheriff for the District of Wairarapa, from the 8th February instant, vice T. Hutchison, Esq., S.M., transferred.
T. THOMPSON.

Justice of the Peace resigned.

Department of Justice,
Wellington, 4th February, 1897.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to accept the resignation by
FREDERICK TRENT, Esq.,
of Christchurch, of his appointment as a Justice of the Peace for the Colony.
T. THOMPSON.

Appointment of Commissioner under "The Naval and Military Claims Settlement and Extinguishment Act, 1896."

Department of Lands and Survey,
Wellington, 29th January, 1897.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint
JAMES CROSBY MARTIN, Esq.,
Public Trustee, to be the Commissioner under and for the purposes of "The Naval and Military Claims Settlement and Extinguishment Act, 1896."
JOHN MCKENZIE,
Minister of Lands.

Members of Auckland Harbour Board appointed.

Marine Department,
Wellington, 8th February, 1897.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased, in pursuance of the provisions of section 7 of "The Auckland Harbour Board Act, 1885," and of all other powers enabling him in that behalf, to appoint
ALFRED EDWARD TYRRELL DEVORE and
WILLIAM JOSEPH NAPIER
to be members of the Auckland Harbour Board.
WM. HALL-JONES,

Member of Lyttelton Harbour Board appointed.

Marine Department,
Wellington, 8th February, 1897.

HIS Excellency the Administrator of the Government has been pleased, in pursuance of the provisions of subsection (1) of section 4 of "The Lyttelton Harbour Board

Act, 1882," section 30 of "The Harbours Act, 1878," and of all other powers enabling him in that behalf, to appoint

JOHN JOYCE, Esq., M.H.R.,

to be a member of the Lyttelton Harbour Board.

WM. HALL-JONES,
Minister of Marine.

Inspector of Sea-fishing appointed at Dunedin.

Marine Department,
Wellington, 8th February, 1897.

HIS Excellency the Administrator of the Government has been pleased, in pursuance of the power and authority vested by subsection (2) of section 6 of "The Fisheries Act, 1894," to appoint

DOUGLAS HARRIS HASTINGS,

of Dunedin, to be an Inspector of Sea-fishing under the above-mentioned Act.

WM. HALL-JONES,
Minister of Marine.

Inspector of Sea-fishing appointed at Greymouth.

Marine Department,
Wellington, 8th February, 1897.

HIS Excellency the Administrator of the Government has been pleased, in pursuance of the power and authority vested by subsection (2) of section 6 of "The Fisheries Act, 1894," to appoint

EDWARD STERLING WHITE,

of Greymouth, Police Sergeant, to be an Inspector of Sea-fishing under the above-mentioned Act.

WM. HALL-JONES,
Minister of Marine.

Retention of Title of "Honourable" by Mr. J. G. Ward.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Wellington, 6th February, 1897.

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

J. CARROLL,
Acting Colonial Secretary.

(New Zealand, General.)

Downing Street, 24th December, 1896.

MY LORD.—I have the honour to acknowledge your telegram of the 19th December, and to inform you that the Queen has been pleased to approve of the retention of the title of "Honourable" by Mr. Joseph George Ward on his quitting office after more than three years' service as a member of the Executive Council of the Colony of New Zealand, and that a notification to this effect will be published in the *London Gazette*.

I have, &c.,

J. CHAMBERLAIN.

Governor the Right Hon. the Earl of Glasgow,
G.C.M.G., &c.

Aliens Law, South African Republic.

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

THE following Aliens Law of the South African Republic is published for general information.

WM. HALL-JONES,
Acting Colonial Secretary.

SOUTH AFRICAN REPUBLIC.—ALIENS LAW.

WHEREAS it has been found necessary to make regulations with regard to the admission of aliens into this republic, it is hereby made known that, in accordance with Article 6 of the Grondwet, the following regulations have been made:—

Article 1.—All foreigners, other than natives, will be admitted into this republic, provided they are furnished with a proper foreign passport, given by or on behalf of the Government of the country to which they belong, and viséd by a Consul or consular official of the republic.

Article 2.—Such passports must show that the said foreigner has sufficient means of subsistence, or can obtain such by his work.

Article 3.—Failing the possession of a passport as aforementioned, foreigners may be admitted on letters of indication, or even on mere mention of their names, provided, however, they can prove their identity, and can show that they can fulfil the conditions laid down in Article 2 to the satisfaction of the authorities named hereafter.

Article 4.—Admission is granted by the Field-cornet at the place of first arrival, or, on crossing the frontier, by the official appointed by the Government, through the issue of a travelling- and residing-passport.

Article 5.—Such travelling- and residing-passport shall be valid for a period of three months, but can each time be renewed for a further three months by the Field-cornet of the place where the foreigner is residing.

Such renewal can only be refused through non-fulfilment of the requirements laid down in Article 2.

The decision of the Field-cornet shall be subject to an appeal to the Government.

Article 6.—Foreigners, who, when applying for a renewal of their travelling- and residing-passports, declare that they intend to settle in the Republic, need only renew their travelling- and residing-passports once a year, provided always that they give the required guarantee that they will be obedient to the laws of the country, by making a sworn or other declaration to the satisfaction of the Field-cornet.

Article 7.—The above regulations shall not be applicable to foreigners who may be already residing in the Republic on the coming into force of this law, or who have been duly registered according to law at the Field-cornet's office, or who may so register themselves within one month.

Article 8.—Travelling- and residing-passports, as mentioned in this law, must be shown on demand to any Landdrost, Mining Commissioner, Resident Justice of the Peace, or Field-cornet.

Article 9.—Foreigners who are residing within the republic contrary to the conditions of this law, and who are not in possession of the necessary travelling- and residing-passports, can be expelled from the country according to Law No. 25 of 1896.

Article 10.—This law shall come into force on the 1st of January, 1897.

Registrar of Brands appointed.—Notice No. 475.

Department of Agriculture (Live Stock Branch),
Wellington, 9th February, 1897.

HIS Excellency the Administrator of the Government has been pleased to appoint

ARTHUR KENNEDY BLUNDELL

to be a Registrar of Brands for the Wanganui Branding District, and to be Chief Registrar of Brands for the New Plymouth, Wanganui, and Rangitikei Branding Districts, in terms of "The Stock Act, 1893," to date from the 1st October, 1896, *vice* R. Hull, resigned.

T. THOMPSON,
For Minister for Agriculture.

Volunteer Officer resigned.

Defence Office,
Wellington, 4th February, 1897.

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

Canterbury Engineer Volunteers.

Captain Samuel Mackay McGee. Date of resignation, 24th December, 1896.

T. THOMPSON.

Revocation of Appointment of Sufferance Wharves, and of Places for the Examination of Goods.

CUSTOMS.—In exercise of the power in me for this purpose vested by "The Customs Laws Consolidation Act, 1882," I, the Minister acting for the Commissioner of Trade and Customs, do, by this order under my hand, revoke and annul the appointment of sufferance wharves appointed at Wellington for the loading and unloading of free and duty-paid goods and New Zealand produce, and of the buildings appointed to be places where goods may be deposited for examination on the landing thereof, as appointed and described in Commissioner's Order No. 384, of the 29th day of January, 1891.

Given under my hand, at Wellington, this fourteenth day of January, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven.

WM. HALL-JONES,
For Commissioner of Trade and Customs.

Commissioner's Order No. 559.]

Sufferance Wharves and Places for the Examination of Goods appointed.

CUSTOMS.—In exercise of the power in me for this purpose vested by "The Customs Laws Consolidation Act, 1882," I, the Minister acting for the Commissioner of Trade and Customs, do hereby appoint that

JERVOIS QUAY (Berth No. 16),
WATERLOO QUAY, from Customhouse Quay to the Wool Jetty, shall be sufferance wharves at the Port of Wellington for the loading and unloading of free and duty-paid goods and New Zealand produce; and that the under-mentioned buildings shall be places where goods may be deposited for examination on the landing thereof, viz.:—

WHARF STORES.

Nine situated on the Queen's Wharf, marked A, B, C, D, E, G, H, I, P;
 Three situated on Jervois Quay, marked M, N, O;
 One situated on the Wool Jetty, marked L.

Given under my hand, at Wellington, this fourteenth day of January, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven.

WM. HALL-JONES,

For Commissioner of Trade and Customs.

Commissioner's Order No. 560.]

Revocation of Appointment of Bonding Warehouse.

CUSTOMS.—In exercise of the authority in me for this purpose vested, I, the Minister acting for the Commissioner of Trade and Customs, do, by this order under my hand, revoke and annul the appointment of the under-mentioned warehouse for the reception and security of goods entered to be warehoused without payment of duty upon the first entry thereof, namely,—

Port of Auckland.

The warehouse known as

SHARLAND'S BOND,

as appointed and described in Commissioner's Order No. 292, of the 18th day of January, 1888.

Given under my hand, at Wellington, this twenty-seventh day of January, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven.

WM. HALL-JONES,

For Commissioner of Trade and Customs.

Commissioner's Order No. 562.]

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.

Commissioner's Decisions under Tariff Acts.

Department of Trade and Customs,
Wellington, 9th February, 1897.

IT is hereby notified for public information that the Hon. the Commissioner of Trade and Customs has decided to interpret the Customs and Excise Duties Acts in relation to the under-mentioned articles as follows:—

NOTE.—“Not otherwise enumerated” appears as n.o.e.; “other kinds” as o.k.; “articles and materials suited only for, and to be used solely in, the fabrication of goods in the colony” as a. & m.s. Articles marked thus * are revised decisions.

Articles, and how classed.	Rate of Duty.
96/1597. Apparatus for photographing by means of “X” rays; as photographic goods n.o.e.	20 per cent.
97/97. Brushes for “Richmond” brand-duster, when imported with the machine; as machinery for flour-mills	5 per cent.
Brushes for “Richmond” brand-duster, when imported separately; as brushware n.o.e.	25 per cent.
96/1538. Caramel-paste, for making caramels; as confectionery n.o.e.	2d. the lb.
97/28. Edgings, flannelette, embroidered with silk; as drapery n.o.e.	20 per cent.
96/1520. Herbs, De Carle's essence of; as druggists' sundries	20 per cent.
*96/1469. Indiarubber ice-bags water-bags rings pillows and beds; as surgical appliances	Free.
96/1594. Leather belting, in lengths for sewing-machines; as leather belting	4d. the lb.
96/1615. Paper, stamped or embossed, in strips for making cardboard boxes; as a. & m.s.	Free.
97/38. Stop-valves; as iron pipes, fittings for	5 per cent.
97/21. Sunday-school tablets; as appliances for teaching purposes	Free.
97/58. Supplements, coloured, for local papers; as pictures	20 per cent.
*96/1341. In C.O. 558, for “Cord, plain white or coloured solid glacé,” read “Cord, plain white or plain coloured solid glacé,” &c.	Free.

W. T. GLASGOW,
Secretary and Inspector.

Commissioner's Order No. 564.]

Notice published pursuant to the Provisions of Section 15 of “The Public Trust Office Consolidation Act, 1894.”

Public Trust Office,
Wellington, 9th February, 1897.

NOTICE is hereby given that, no person having taken out administration, the Public Trustee has filed in the office of the Supreme Court at Wellington an election to administer the several intestate estates of the persons deceased whose names, residences, and occupations, so far as known, are hereunder respectively set forth, their gross properties being estimated not to exceed £250 in each case.

Jane Stuart, late of Fitzroy Bay, in the Provincial District of Nelson, married woman. Filed on the 20th day of January, 1897.

Esther A. Mahony, late of Christchurch, in the Provincial District of Canterbury, widow. Filed on the 20th day of January, 1897.

Charles Portland Fossett, late of Mount Albert, in the Provincial District of Auckland, ironmonger. Filed on the 21st day of January, 1897.

Albert Snell, late of Wellington, in the Provincial District of Wellington, labourer. Filed on the 21st day of January, 1897.

John Wilson, late of Bald Hill Flat, in the Provincial District of Otago, carpenter. Filed on the 21st day of January, 1897.

L. H. Cross, late of London, England, labourer. Filed on the 21st day of January, 1897.

Edmund Beckett, late of Christchurch, in the Provincial District of Canterbury, labourer. Filed on the 29th day of January, 1897.

Robert Stanton, late of Deep Creek, in the Provincial District of Marlborough, miner. Filed on the 3rd day of February, 1897.

Lacey Fowler, late of Waituna West, in the Provincial District of Wellington, labourer. Filed on the 3rd day of February, 1897.

Jean de la Reaux, late of Greytown, in the Provincial District of Wellington, cook. Filed on the 3rd day of February, 1897.

George Nisbet, late of Karangahake, in the Provincial District of Auckland, miner. Filed on the 3rd day of February, 1897.

JAMES C. MARTIN,
Public Trustee.

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

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

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

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

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

All that piece or parcel of land in the Land District of Hawke's Bay, being called or known by the name of “Takapau Paddock,” containing about 190 acres, being portion of Subdivision No. 3, Otawhao Block, in Block III., Takapau Survey District, Waipawa County. Bounded on

the north by Blocks 234 and 120; on the south generally by the Porongahau Stream and a public road; and on the west by the railway-line.

All that piece or parcel of land in the Land District of Hawke's Bay, called or known as "Rees Davis Paddock," containing 110 acres, being Section 7 of Whenuahou D.E. No. 1 Block, in VI. and VII., Takapau Survey District, Waipawa County. Bounded on the south-east by a public road; on the south-west by a public road; on the north-west by Section 6; and on the north-east by Section 8.

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

JOHN D. RITCHIE,
Chief Inspector of Stock.

**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 infected place from which no sheep, carcass, 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.

Reserve in the Town of Tauranga for Lease by Public Auction.

District Lands and Survey Office,
Auckland, 4th February, 1897.

IT is hereby notified that the lease of the under-mentioned lands will be submitted at public auction, at the Land Office, Tauranga, under "The Public Reserves Act, 1881," for a term of fourteen years, on Wednesday, the 7th April, 1897, at 12 noon.

TOWN OF TAURANGA.

Lots 275, 276, 277, 280, 281, and 282 of Section II.: Area, 1 acre 2 roods; upset annual rental, £9.

Conditions of Lease.—Term, fourteen years without right of renewal. Rent payable quarterly in advance, and non-payment of rent for thirty days to carry forfeiture of lease.

The lease is offered subject to a valuation of £75 for improvements.

No allowance for improvements will be made during the currency or at the termination of the lease.

GERHARD MUELLER,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Pastoral Runs, Southland Land District, for Lease by Public Auction.

District Lands and Survey Office,
Invercargill, 3rd February, 1897.

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

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

Run No.	Survey District.	Area.			Upset Rental.		
		A.	R.	P.	£	s.	d.
520	Waiau.. ..	772	3	0	6	8	8

Land level, of gravel formation, and poor soil; vegetation, silver- and blue-tussock; height above sea-level, 200ft. to 600ft. Distance from Otautau Railway-station, about twenty-three miles.

521 | Wairaki .. | 1,970 1 0 | 16 8 4
Open, swampy, undulating country; cold, wet, clay soil; about 500 acres agricultural, the rest pastoral; height above sea-level, from 750ft. to 1,200ft. Distance from Nightcaps Railway-station, about sixteen miles.

522 | Centre Hill .. | 3,483 3 17 | 29 0 8
Hilly country, fairly grassed with silver- and snow-tussock; formation, clay and partly rocky; height above sea-level, from 1,200ft. to 2,700ft. Distance from Mossburn Railway-station by road, about three miles.

Possession will be given on the day of sale. Term of leases, ten years.

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

D. BARRON,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

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

Lands and Survey Office,
Auckland, 9th February, 1897.

NOTICE is hereby given that the under-mentioned kauri and totara timber, situated in Block III., Mangamuka Survey District, Hokianga County, about nine miles by river from Kohukohu, will be offered for sale by public auction at this office on Friday, the 2nd April, 1897, at 11 o'clock a.m.:

117 scorched kauri-trees, containing about 300,000 sup. ft.; upset price, £112 10s.

26 totara-trees, containing about 19,000 sup. ft.; upset price, £7 2s. 6d.

Conditions of Sale.—One-half the purchase-money to be paid in cash or by marked cheque on the fall of the hammer, the balance within twelve months thereafter. Timber to be removed within two years from date of sale.

GERHARD MUELLER,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Land in Auckland open for Selection on Lease in Perpetuity.

District Lands and Survey Office,
Auckland, 9th February, 1897.

THE under-mentioned Crown lands will be open for selection on lease in perpetuity at the District Lands and Survey Office, Auckland, on Wednesday, 24th March, 1897:—

AUCKLAND LAND DISTRICT.—WHAKATANE COUNTY.—WHAKATANE SURVEY DISTRICT.—OPOURIAO ESTATE.

Section.	Block.	Area.	Lease in Perpetuity: Rent, 5 per Cent.			
			Rent per Acre.		Half-yearly Rent.	
FIRST-CLASS LAND.						
		A.	R.	P.	£	s. d.
1	IX.	159	3	15	0	2 0
2	"	190	3	24	0	3 0
13	"	116	1	14	0	2 4
10	XIII.	105	0	0	0	7 4 3
11	"	97	0	0	0	6 8 4

GERHARD MUELLER,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Land in Canterbury open for Selection on Lease in Perpetuity.

District Lands and Survey Office,
Christchurch, 9th February, 1897.

THE under-mentioned Crown lands will be open for selection on lease in perpetuity at the District Lands and Survey Offices, Christchurch and Timaru, on Monday, the 22nd March, 1897.

CANTERBURY LAND DISTRICT.—GERALDINE COUNTY.

Section.	Block.	Area.	Rent per Acre.	Half-yearly Rent.
FIRST-CLASS AGRICULTURAL LAND.				
Ophi Survey District.—Rakitairi Settlement.				
1	XII.	A. R. P. 21 0 21	s. d. 6 6	£ s. d. 3 8 8
2	"	20 0 0	6 6	3 5 0
3	"	10 0 0	6 6	1 12 6
4	"	10 0 0	6 6	1 12 6
5	"	15 0 10	6 6	2 8 11
6	"	14 0 0	6 6	2 5 6
7	"	4 0 0	2 0	0 4 0
8	"	10 0 0	9 0	2 5 0
9	XVI.	20 0 0	6 3	3 2 6
10	"	20 0 0	6 3	3 2 6
11	XII.	192 0 0	6 3	30 0 0
12	"	179 1 0	6 3	28 0 2
13	"	220 1 0	5 6	30 5 8
14	"	264 2 0	6 3	41 6 6
15	XI.	284 2 0	6 0	42 13 6
16	XII.	418 0 0	6 9	70 10 9
17	"	252 3 0	7 0	44 4 7
18	"	424 2 0	5 6	58 7 4
19	XVI.	274 2 0	4 9	32 11 11
20	"	174 2 0	5 9	25 1 8
21	"	148 2 0	5 5	19 19 1
22	"	352 2 0	5 8	49 11 5
23	"	172 2 0	6 6	29 2 2
24	XII.	20 0 3	1 6	0 15 0

Arowhenua Survey District.—Waiapi Settlement.

1	I.	91 2 35	8 6	19 9 10
2	"	151 3 7	8 6	32 5 1
3	"	110 2 4	9 0	24 17 4
5	"	174 2 7	8 6	37 1 10
6	"	19 2 39	8 6	4 3 11
7	"	19 3 17	8 6	4 4 5
8	"	10 0 4	8 6	2 2 7
9	"	10 0 0	8 6	2 2 6
10	"	10 0 12	8 6	2 2 10
11	"	10 0 0	8 6	2 2 6
12	"	17 3 2	8 6	3 15 6
13	"	15 0 0	8 6	3 3 9
14	"	20 0 36	8 9	4 8 6
15	"	443 1 33	7 9	85 18 5

* Interest and sinking fund on buildings.

SIDNEY WEETMAN,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Land in the Town of Palmerston North for Sale by Public Auction.

District Lands and Survey Office,
Wellington, 9th February, 1897.

IT is hereby notified that the under-mentioned sections in the Town of Palmerston North will be offered for sale by public auction at Palmerston North on Wednesday, the 12th May, 1897:—

Section 822, Palmerston North: Area, 1 acre 1 rood; upset price, £200.

Section 1086, Palmerston North: Area, 1 acre 2 roods 6 perches; upset price, £100.

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.

Mr. H. Martin, of Palmerston North, holds a lease of Section 1086 for twenty-one years from the 18th August, 1890. The annual rent payable under the lease is £4 4s. for the first seven years of the term, £5 5s. for the next seven

years, and £6 6s. for the remaining seven years. This section is therefore offered subject to his lease, a copy of which may be inspected by intending purchasers.

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

Land in Marlborough for Sale by Public Auction.

District Lands and Survey Office,
Blenheim, 3rd February, 1897.

IT is hereby notified that the under-mentioned lands will be offered for sale by auction at the Lands and Survey Office, Blenheim, on Wednesday, the 31st day of March, 1897, at 11 o'clock a.m.:—

FOR SALE BY AUCTION.

Gore Survey District, on Warwick Run: Section 4, Block III.: 1,009 acres; upset price, £403 12s., weighted with £50 9s. cost of survey, and £1,280 value of improvements.

Section 6, Block IV.: 1,170 acres; upset price, £468, weighted with £58 10s. cost of survey, and £575 value of improvements.

Section 53, Block VIII.: 365 acres; upset price, £146, weighted with £18 5s. cost of survey.

One-fifth of the purchase-money must be paid on the fall of the hammer, and the balance, together with Crown-grant fee, within thirty days, or the deposit at auction will be forfeited.

SIDNEY WEETMAN,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Pastoral Runs, Hawke's Bay, for Lease by Auction.

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

NOTICE is hereby given that the under-mentioned pastoral runs will be offered for lease by public auction at this office, on Wednesday, the 24th February, 1897.

SCHEDULE.

Run No.	Survey District.	Area.	Upset Annual Rental.	Term of Lease.
7*	Pohui and Maungaharuru	A. R. P. 3,990 2 0	£ s. d. 100 0 0	21 years.
8†	Maungaharuru	3,453 0 0	60 0 0	21 years.

* Weighted with £780 for improvements. † Weighted with £500 for improvements.

Description of Runs.

Run No. 7: The country is broken, rising from the Taupo Road to the top of the range; soil light. About a third of the area has been surface-sown with cocksfoot, fog, and clover, and shows a fair amount of grass; the balance of the land is fern, with a little manuka. There is on the run about two miles of boundary-fencing with five wires, about two miles and a quarter of division fencing, and about 60 chains of fencing bounding the Taupo Road, the latter being constructed of posts about 9ft. apart, and six wires. There are also circular sheep-yards constructed with sawn timber, and four small holding-paddocks enclosed by about two miles of fence with six wires.

Run No. 8 consists of a steep, rocky basin, running out to low hills towards the Mohaka River. About 1,000 acres have been surface-sown with cocksfoot, fog, and clover, and shows a fair amount of grass; the balance of the run consists of light pumice-soil, covered with fern and manuka. There is about two miles of boundary-fencing on the south-west boundary, consisting of posts 11ft. apart, with five wires.

Locality of Runs.

The runs are about thirty miles north-west of Napier. Run No. 7 adjoins the main Napier-Taupo Road, while Run No. 8 is about four miles from it.

CONDITIONS OF LICENSE.

The licenses date from the 1st March, 1897, and possession of the land will be given on that date.

Half-year's rent, and £1 1s. license-fee, must accompany the application, together with the value of the improvements in cash.

Each applicant is required to make the statutory declaration under Part VI. of "The Land Act, 1892."

ERIC C. GOLD SMITH,
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.
		Acres.				
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.

Land in Auckland open for Sale or Selection.

District Lands and Survey Office, Auckland, 7th 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 Wednesday, the 7th April, 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.
AUCKLAND 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.
SECOND-CLASS LAND.										
				A. R. P.	s. d.	£ s. d.	s. d.	£ s. d.	s. d.	£ s. d.
Tauranga..	Te Mania Parish	21	..	9 0 0	15 0	6 15 0	0 9	0 3 5	0 7 2	0 2 9
..	Ditto	22	..	9 2 0	15 0	7 10 0	0 9	0 3 9	0 7 2	0 3 0

Open land, with some swamp, fronting Tauranga Harbour.

GERHARD MUELLER,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Rural Lands, Wellington, open for Selection on Perpetual Lease.

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

THE under-mentioned Crown lands, having been surrendered in terms of section 156 of “The Land Act, 1885,” will be open for selection for perpetual lease on and after Wednesday, the 17th February, 1897. If more than one application be received for the same section on the same day, then the order of selection shall be decided by ballot on the following day, at 10 a.m.

SCHEDULE.

WELLINGTON LAND DISTRICT.—PAHIATUA COUNTY.—MAKURI SURVEY DISTRICT.
First-class Land.

Section.	Block.	Area.	Perpetual Lease.	
			Rent per Acre.	Half-yearly Rent.
		A. R. P.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
2	XIV.	640 0 0	0 1 3	20 0 0

This section is situated about half a mile from the Makuri Township, on the Makuri Valley metalled road, and consists of undulating country on limestone formation. The soil is excellent, and the section well watered, and covered with forest, with the exception of about 26 acres. The timber consists of rata, rimu, konini, mahoe, and supplejack. There is a good homestead-site, and improvements have been effected to the extent of £1,991 13s. 4d. This sum has to be paid in cash on the day the application is approved.

3 | XIV. | 640 0 0 | 0 1 3 | 20 0 0
This section is situated adjacent to Makuri, and has a few acres of flat land on the banks of the Makuri River, sufficient for a homestead-site. The balance is all broken limestone country, with good soil, running up to an altitude of 2,000ft. at the back. Well watered, and fronted by metalled road. Sunny aspect. The forest (about 360 acres) consists of rata, rimu, konini, mahoe, and supplejack. Improvements have been effected to the extent of £1,243 13s. 4d. This sum has to be paid in cash on the day the application is approved.

J. W. A. MARCHANT,
Commissioner of 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.
Acres.

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.

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.

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.

* 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.

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.

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

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.

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 Kurow 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 Otamatakau 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, 1206b, 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 Oematata 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 334d, 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.

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.

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 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.

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.

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	Hakataramea	X., XI., XIV., XV.	A. R. P. s. d. 992 0 0	1 0	£ s. d. 49 12 0
36205	"	XII., XV., XVI.	2,840 0 0	0 9	106 10 0
36388	{ Nimrod .. Waihao ..	{ XIV., XV., VI.	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'taramea Waihao ..	{ 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 Hakataramea, Nimrod, and Waihao Survey Districts, are situated on the slopes of the Station Peak Range, which extends from the junction of the Hakataramea 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 Hakataramea 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 Hakataramea 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.

Totara Timber, Mangaone and Tararua 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.
1	7, 11	I.	Mangaone ..	A. R. P. 160 0 0	£ s. d. 16 0 0
3	12	VII.	Tararua ..	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 1s. 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.

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.	A. 3,148 R. 3 P. 10	s. 0 d. 6	£ 39 s. 7 d. 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.

Tairi County.

Strath Tairi	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.

- 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.
- No person can lease more than one run.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.

* Place of abode or occupation. † Here specify.

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."

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

J. P. MAITLAND,
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, on Thursday, 25th February, 1897, 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, on Thursday, 25th February, 1897, 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.

To be sold at the Lands and Survey Office, Christchurch, on Saturday, 27th February, 1897, at 12 o'clock noon.

159 | Rockwood .. | Selwyn | 6,900 | 200 | 3 yrs.
This run comprises part of the Malvern Hills, lying to the west of the Selwyn River, the nearest point being distant about a mile from Whitecliffs Railway-station. It consists of tussock pastoral country, the hills ranging up to an eleva-

tion of 2,400ft., and having for the most part easy rounded tops and spurs; the western portion of the run is more broken: there are patches of bush and scrub in places.

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.

The Crown reserves a right, at any time within two years from the date of commencement of the term of lease, on notice to the purchaser, to resume possession of Runs 139 (Loburn), 136 (Broomfield), and 159 (Rockwood), either in whole or part, which may be selected by the New Zealand Midland Railway Company (Limited), in virtue of any right which the said company, or any person or body lawfully claiming through or under it, may have to or in respect of any unsatisfied land claim. The effect of any such resumption shall be to determine the lease or license, wholly or in part, as the case requires; if the resumption be only as to part, then the rent in future shall be reduced in proportion to the area resumed.

No compensation will be paid or payable by or on behalf of the Crown by reason of the exercise of the power hereby reserved. Provisions to the purport of this condition, and necessary to give effect to the same, will be inserted in each lease or license granted to a purchaser.

SIDNEY WEETMAN,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

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

District Lands and Survey Office,
Christchurch, 12th 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 Wednesday, the 24th February, 1897, at the annual rental noted below. In case of more than one application for the runs on the same day, priority of selection will be decided by ballot on the following day, at 11 a.m.

SCHEDULE.

CANTERBURY LAND DISTRICT.—MACKENZIE COUNTY.—BURKE AND TENGAWAI SURVEY DISTRICTS.
First-class Pastoral Country.

Section.	Survey District.	Block.	Area.				Rent per Acre.	Annual Rental.
			A.	R.	P.	d.		
36458	Burke ..	IV., VIII.	2,126	2	0	9	79 14 11	
36459	Tengawai	I., V.						
36460	Burke ..	VIII., XII.	1,966	0	0	8	65 10 8	
36461	Tengawai	V.						
36462	{ Burke .. Tengawai	{ XII. IX.	1,200	0	0	8	40 0 0	
36463	{ Burke .. Tengawai	{ XII., XVI. IX., XIII.						
36464	Burke ..	XII.	3,057	0	0	6½	81 10 5	
36465	Tengawai	V., IX.						

These sections are situated adjacent to and south of Burke's Pass, being subdivisions of the original Three Springs, Albury, and Rollesby Stations, and comprise generally mountainous and hilly open tussock country of good quality, rocky and shingly on the main tops and spurs, with patches of undulating land and small flats. The sections are fairly well watered by springs and streams. The elevation of the country ranges from 1,700ft. to about 3,500ft. above sea-level, and it is subject to heavy falls of snow, which lie on the higher lands during the winter. The access is by the main roads connecting Burke's Pass with Fairlie and Albury, the distances therefrom to the nearest points on the sections being respectively about ten and twelve miles. The Duck Stream and other branch roads are unformed. These sections, except for the drawback of being subject to falls of snow, are, by quality of soil and situation, well adapted for pastoral pursuits.

The sections are weighted with valuations for improvements as follows:—

Sections 36458 and 36459 with £134 10s. 6d., being valuation of boundary and subdivision fencing.

Sections 36460 and 36461 with £843 5s. 10d., being valuation of good eight-roomed dwellinghouse, outbuildings, yards, garden, boundary and subdivision fencing, &c.

Section 36462 with £225 15s. 10d., being valuation of small dwellinghouse, yards, and boundary-fencing.

Section 36463 with £193, being valuation of three-roomed dwellinghouse, outbuildings, and boundary and subdivision fencing.

Sections 36464 and 36465 with £141 10s., being valuation of small dwellinghouse, yards, and boundary-fencing.

These sums must be paid on allotment, in addition to the usual deposit of a half-year's rent, and lease-fee of £1 1s.

Possession of the sections will be given to the successful applicants for the same on the 1st March, 1897.

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-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, and the sum fixed for valuation of 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.

NOTE.—One-fourth of the rent paid during the first fifteen years is returned to the local body, to be spent in improving the access to the land.

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 freshhold 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.

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., Mangaru 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.

Kauri Timber, Auckland, for Sale by Auction.

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

IT is hereby notified that the under-mentioned kauri timber, situated in Block V., Opuawhanga Survey District, Whangarei County, on the main road to, and about three miles from, Whananaki Harbour, will be submitted for sale by public auction, at this office, on Friday, the 19th March, 1897, at 11 o'clock a.m.:

About 156,000ft. old dead kauri
About 544,000ft. singed and green kauri } Upset price, £350.

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 within twelve months thereafter.

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

GERHARD MUELLER,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Rural Land in Canterbury open for Selection on Lease in Perpetuity.

District Lands and Survey Office,
Christchurch, 1st February, 1897.

THE under-mentioned Crown lands will be open for selection on lease in perpetuity at the District Lands and Survey Office, Christchurch, on and after Wednesday, the 24th March, 1897.

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

SCHEDULE.

WAIMATE COUNTY.—OTAIO SURVEY DISTRICT.

First-class Surveyed Land.

Section.	Block.	Area.	Lease in Perpetuity.	
			Rent per Acre.	Half-yearly Rent.
<i>Pareora Settlement.</i>				
1 and 2	XII.	A. R. P. 53 3 38	£ s. d. 0 12 10·8	£ s. d. 17 8 3

These sections are situated at the north-western corner of the Pareora Settlement, about three miles from the St. Andrew's Railway-station, and about nine miles and a half from Timaru, and comprise open level agricultural land of good quality, well adapted for occupation by working-men, gardeners, and others. The allotment is weighted with a sum of £78 12s., being valuation of hut, boundary and subdivision fencing, cultivation, planting, drains, &c., which sum must be paid on allotment, in addition to the usual deposit and fees.

SIDNEY WEETMAN,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Native Land Court Notices.

Native Land Court Agent licensed.

[In continuation of notice dated 2nd February, 1897, published in *New Zealand Gazette*, No. 12, of 4th *idem*, page 376.]

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.:

RICHARD T. BLAKE.

Dated at Wellington, this 8th day of February, 1897.

EDWARD BUCKLE,
Registrar.

"The Native Land Court Act, 1894."

Native Land Court Office, Auckland, 2nd February, 1897.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Native Appellate Court which was notified to sit at Whakatane, Bay of Plenty, on the 22nd day of February, 1897, has been adjourned to the 8th day of March, 1897.

[Auckland, 97-10.]

JAS. W. BROWNE, Registrar.

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

Registrar's Office, Auckland, 3rd February, 1897.

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

JAS. W. BROWNE, Registrar.

THE ALIENATIONS ABOVE REFERRED TO.

No.	Nature of Alienation.	Date.	Name of Land.	Names of Parties.
1	Mortgage (C.A. 96-75) ..	2nd February, 1897 ..	Sections 400 and 401, Parish of Whangamarino	Ellen Wilson, a half-caste, of Rangiriri, to William Buchanan, of Auckland.
2	Mortgage (C.A. 96-81) ..	2nd February, 1897 ..	Sections 400 and 401, Parish of Whangamarino.	Ellen Wilson, a half-caste, of Rangiriri, to William Aitken, of Auckland.

"The Native Land Court Act, 1894."

Registrar's Office, Gisborne, 2nd February, 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 Tolago Bay on the 9th day of March, 1897, or as soon thereafter as the business of the Court will allow.

JOHN BROOKING, Registrar.

[Gisborne, 97-10.]

SCHEDULE.

APPLICATIONS UNDER SECTION 78 OF "THE NATIVE LAND COURT ACT, 1894," TO ASCERTAIN THE INTEREST ACQUIRED BY OR ON BEHALF OF HER MAJESTY.

No.	Name of Applicant.	Name of Land.
63	Hon. John McKenzie, Minister of Lands (16-361)	Mangatokerau No. 1.
64	Hon. John McKenzie, Minister of Lands (16-360)	Mangatokerau No. 2.

"The Horowhenua Block Act, 1896."

Native Land Court Office, Wellington, 8th February, 1897.

NOTICE is hereby given that the following further applications affecting portions of the Horowhenua Block, as set forth in the Schedule hereto, will be heard by the Native Appellate Court under the provisions of "The Horowhenua Block Act, 1896," at the sitting which has been notified to be held at Levin on the 25th day of February, 1897, or as soon thereafter as the business of the Court will allow. All persons interested are hereby notified to attend at the time and place aforesaid.

EDWARD BUCKLE, Registrar.

[Wellington, 97-18.]

SCHEDULE.

No.	Name of Applicant.	No. of Subdivision affected.	Nature of Application.
14	A. Knocks (agent for Manihera te Rau)	No. 11	For ascertainment of title under "The Equitable Owners Act, 1886."
15	Kipa te Whatanui	Nos. 6, 11, 12, and 14	For ascertainment of title under "The Equitable Owners Act, 1886."
16	A. Knocks (agent for Heeni Kipa)	No. 11	For ascertainment of title under "The Equitable Owners Act, 1886."
17	A. Knocks (agent for Riria Wirihana)	No. 11	For appointment of successor to Tauteka, deceased.
18	A. Knocks (agent for Manihera te Rau)	No. 11	For appointment of successor to Pirihiira te Rau, deceased.
19	A. Knocks (agent for Manihera te Rau and others)	Nos. 6, 11, 12, and 14	For ascertainment of title, under "The Equitable Owners Act, 1886," to Subdivisions 6, 12, and 14; also for award of reserves out of Division 11.
20	Te Kerehi Tomo	No. 6	For appointment of successor to Heeni Kuku, deceased.

"The Native Land Court Act, 1894."

Registrar's Office, Wellington, 9th February, 1897.

NOTICE is hereby given that a sitting of the Native Land Court will be held at Temuka on the 23rd day of March, 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, 97-19.]

SCHEDULE.

APPLICATION FOR PARTITION.

No.	Name of Applicant.	Name of Land.
1	Tame Parata (for the owners)	Arowhenua No. 884 (Timaru).

APPLICATION FOR PROBATE OF WILL.

No.	Name of Applicant.	Name of Deceased.	Name of Person objecting.
9	Hana Pohio Rikiti and another	Wiremu Tuna Pohio	Miriana Waka.

"The Native Land Court Act, 1894."—Sitting of Court adjourned.

Native Land Court Office, Wellington, 8th February, 1897.

NOTICE is hereby given that the sitting of the Native Appellate Court advertised to take place at Dannevirke on the 18th February, 1897, has been adjourned to the 23rd February, 1897, at Hastings.

EDWARD BUCKLE, Registrar.

**"THE WEST COAST SETTLEMENT
RESERVES ACT, 1892."**

NOTICE TO NATIVE OWNERS AND LESSEES of a MEETING to be held at HARLE'S HALL, WAITOTARA, at 9 o'clock a.m. on TUESDAY, the 9th MARCH, 1897, to fix the Rent for NEW LEASES to THOMAS HUTCHISON NICHOLSON and GEORGE ALEXANDER NICHOLSON of Section 389 and Part Sections 389, 390, and 394, Blocks VIII. and IX., Wairoa, containing 672 acres and 8 perches (more or less), being Land comprised in Confirmed Lease No. 39.

RAKEI Tewharekorito, Te Mateone, Toerangi Whiu, Tamu Tewharekorito, Patumoaana Uruteangina, Karewa Tewharekorito, Te Moko Tewharekorito, Tutaua, Kereopa Waihora, Te Rawhao, Rakei Rukuwai, Eponga, Te Pote Raimapau, Raone Peina, Hemi Wiremu, Mere Wiremu, Takara Wiremu, Whiu te Atarua, Te Rauwhangi, Puakotiri, Waitoto Raikiao, Kuiti Fakinga (trustee, Puakotiri), Mateone, Te Mateone, Te Amo te Kahu, Piriana Korangi, Konehe Korangi, Toherangi Korangi, Te Aoturoa Korangi, Tawhitipou, Huritau, Wirihana te Rangitukihouno, Tawake te Kuratawhiti, Hori Mukakai, Poutonga, Tahupotiki, Matetahora, Miriama Mihaka, Mahu Tuterangi Kuritanga, Pipi Ruauru, Te Paki Aoturoa, Wirihana Rangitukihouno, Ngapini Hamiora, Karipa, Te Matewai, Ngahina Tawhitipou, Ngawhare, Kuratawhiti, Tikiku Aratu, Taituha Waiaraki, Morehu Pera, Te Uru Hawaki Mihaka, Pipi Ruauri, Wiremu Mihaka, Tiko Mihaka, Toherangi Hamiora, Te Hoeroa Hamiora, Patumoaana Hamiora, and the other Native owners of all that piece of land situate in the Wairoa Survey District, being Section 389 and Part Sections 389, 390, and 394, Blocks VIII. and IX., and containing by admeasurement 672 acres and 8 perches (more or less), being the land comprised in confirmed lease No. 39, to Thomas Hutchison Nicholson, of Waverley, settler, as assignee:

Whereas the above-named Thomas Hutchison Nicholson and George Alexander Nicholson have given notice to me, under the provisions of section 8 of "The West Coast Settlement Reserves Act, 1892," that they desire to obtain under that section new leases of the land above described; and I consider their application ought to be given effect to: Now, therefore, I do hereby appoint a meeting to take place between the said Thomas Hutchison Nicholson and George Alexander Nicholson and all the Native owners of the above-described land, for the purpose of fixing the rent to be paid for the said land for the first twenty-one years of the new lease, and I fix Harle's Hall, Waitotara, as the place where, and Tuesday, the 9th March, 1897, at 9 o'clock in the forenoon, as the time when, such meeting shall take place.

Dated this 9th day of February, 1897.
J. C. MARTIN,
Public Trustee.

No. 141.]

**"THE WEST COAST SETTLEMENT
RESERVES ACT, 1892."**

NOTICE TO NATIVE OWNERS AND LESSEE of a MEETING to be held at HARLE'S HALL, WAITOTARA, at 2 o'clock p.m. on TUESDAY, the 9th MARCH, 1897, to fix the Rent for a NEW LEASE to JOHN VERRY, of Part Sections 389 and 390 and Section 391, Blocks VIII. and XII., Wairoa, containing 500 acres (more or less), being Land comprised in Confirmed Lease No. 38.

NGAHAU Erna, Te Ata, Tiweka Whakatiki, Wiremu te Kahu, Tiaki te Kahu, Ripaka Ngareta, Titahi Mahutonga, Metiria Tuauri, Tupuhi Waina Matatira, Aroponu, Kahu Pa-rama, Ngahauerua, Eakina, Tuacore, Te Katene te Katurei, Te Hau Taipa, Katene Taipa, Harata Taipa, Ngakapu Kurainapa, Te Mane Taipa, Matakaha Taipa, Ngaungoti Taipa, Te Ohu Pirimona, Matai Taipa (trustee, Te Hau Taipa and Katene Aperahama), Te Retu Mahutonga, Ngamoko, Te Waiwari, Te Repe, Tira, Wharekawa, Fairama, Haranuku Apiu, Hine-kahu, Kahukuka, Ranangi, Te Whiu, Poharama, Takarangi, Ngaruru Mere, Ihaka Takarangi, Tiopera, Turei Wharenikanu, Aperahama te Rangiangina, Tawake te Uri, Pirihana, Te Konehe, Whiu Aoturoa, Morehu, Whiu, Toherangi Whiu, Ihaka Tamaiti, Tiopira, Ngauru, Horomona Whiu, Ema Whakawina, Hana Karia, Rio Maako, Poariki Piu, Te Waka Hapuku, Hakaria Karamana, Te Unahi, Te Atakahura, Rakei Rukuwai, Tukupoto, Kakara Iherangi, Mitai, Paorangui, Huirangi, Huirangi, Miriama te Waihuri (trustee, Ngauru Waahi), Pokai, Wahi, and the other Native owners of all that piece of land situate in the Wairoa Survey District, being Part Sections 389 and 390 and Sec-

tion 391, Blocks VIII. and XII., Wairoa, and containing by admeasurement 500 acres (more or less), being the land comprised in confirmed lease No. 38, to John Verry, of Waitotara, Farmer, as lessee:

Whereas the above-named John Verry has given notice to me, under the provisions of section 8 of "The West Coast Settlement Reserves Act, 1892," that he desires to obtain under that section a new lease of the land above described; and I consider his application ought to be given effect to: Now, therefore, I do hereby appoint a meeting to take place between the said John Verry and all the Native owners of the above-described land, for the purpose of fixing the rent to be paid for the said land for the first twenty-one years of the new lease; and I fix Harle's Hall, Waitotara, as the place where, and Tuesday, the 9th day of March, 1897, at 2 o'clock in the afternoon, as the time when, such meeting shall take place.

Dated this 9th day of February, 1897.
J. C. MARTIN,
Public Trustee.

No. 142.]

**"THE WEST COAST SETTLEMENT
RESERVES ACT, 1892."**

NOTICE TO NATIVE OWNERS AND LESSEE of a MEETING to be held at the COURTHOUSE, HAWERA, at 2 o'clock p.m. on THURSDAY, the 11th MARCH, 1897, to fix the Rent for a NEW LEASE to SAMUEL WOODS of Section 20, Block II., HAWERA, containing 325 acres (more or less), being Land comprised in Memorandum of Lease registered No. 438.

TE Rangihirama, Niho Nganeko, Maku, Rupa-tahanga, Hine Korako, Te Hahengi, Tarawha, Marangai, Waikauri, Toroa, Rangi-ture, Tihirangi, Tihirangi Takarangi, Hore te Rango, Te Raumanga, Te Rangimourihau, Te Rewha Whakaahua, Pihau Wiki, Tuarea, Te Whareaitu, Hemi Watene, Hema Watene, Poriana, Muroa, Ngaha, Te Rangitupoki, Maku Rangitupoki, Hine Korako Tainini (trustee, Tainini), Te Manu, Reti, Wharemate, Ngaparititi, Iwi-ahia, Tukohu, Ngataura, Kaikore Hira, Turiakina, Tamira, Tare Waka, Rangimawe, Mauriri, Whakawiria Tumahuhi, Whakawiria, Tunui Mininiki (Mere Hinekete and Mahuri, trustees), Hemi Rakei, Tipene, Ruka, Reretene, Nihera Raukura, Hori Pumuka, Ihikiera, Taara Tahua, Paora, Mutu-te-Hohinga, Pumipi Ngapeta, Te Whetu, Te Hokinga Hinekete, Te Mawae, Mukahai, Tamaka, Te Hapimana, Rete, Mahuri, Nehara, Mukumaru, Te Pirihui Tukawainga, Te Opetana, Te Kokori, Ngapeta, Mata Takarangi, Kua Putahanga, Waikauri, Waikare, Tihirangi, Miriama, Rawinia, Ngarewarewa, Tukohu, Piki, Mere Hinekete, Mereana Hawaki, Hare Tamawaru, Tupu-moewa, Moutoho, Ngahina, Tupotohaka, Rua Mahurangi, Mereana Hawaki, Nihera, Mahuri Rangui, Tunui Mininiki, Mauriri Nukuhou, Whakawiria Tumahuhi, Te Kiri, Pahaka, Te Putaka, Tarawha, Ruiti, Hinerangi Tuarea, Komako te Whenua, Tapahi Hanatana, Kurarua, Kurakeke, Rawinia Timoti, Pito Tahua, Mata Piri, Tutae te Mawae, Hapaira, Makuini, Te Rewa Whakaahua, Pihau Wiki, Wiki, Hui, Kimirongo, Tawhiti, Te Urutahi, Hone Pihama, Te Para Ruskere, Wiki Nukumaru, Wikitoria, Wiremu Takokenga Mininiki, Henare Mininiki, Akanihi Mininiki, Te Herenga Koutuka Mininiki, Riripoti Mininiki, Taiteti Mininiki, William Nicholas, Pirato, Ral-uera, Ralera, Ngarongongo, Tutangi, Tamawhero, Hinemahu (trustee, Tutangi), Hare Tamawaru, Tairoroama, Hema, Hemi, Whareaitu, Tapahi, Komako, and the other Native owners of all that piece of land situate in the Hawera Survey District, being Section 20 Block II., and containing by admeasurement 325 acres (more or less), being the land comprised in memorandum of lease, registered No. 438, to Samuel Woods, of Hawera, farmer, as transferee:

Whereas the above-named Samuel Woods has given notice to me, under the provisions of section 8 of "The West Coast Settlement Reserves Act, 1892," that he desires to obtain under that section a new lease of the land above described; and I consider his application ought to be given effect to: Now, therefore, I do hereby appoint a meeting to take place between the said Samuel Woods and all the Native owners of the above-described land, for the purpose of fixing the rent to be paid for the said land for the first twenty-one years of the new lease; and I fix the Court-house, Hawera, as the place where, and Thursday, the 11th March, 1897, at 2 o'clock in the afternoon, as the time when, such meeting shall take place.

Dated this 9th day of February, 1897.
J. C. MARTIN,
Public Trustee.

No. 143.]

Auckland Savings-bank Balance-sheet for 1896.

STATEMENT of the Receipts and Payments of the Auckland Savings-bank for the Year ending the 31st December, 1896:—

RECEIPTS.		£	s.	d.
Balance, 1st January, 1896	..	85,033	3	5
Deposited during the year	..	399,339	12	1
Interest added during the year	..	613	5	7
Interest added, 31st December, 1896	..	16,531	16	2
Interest on mortgages and debentures	..	19,193	14	0
Interest on deposits with—				
Bank of New Zealand	..	3,764	3	2
National Bank of New Zealand	..	540	0	0
Bank of New South Wales	..	472	10	0
Union Bank of Australia	..	175	0	0
Bank deposits repaid	..	2,000	0	0
Mortgages repaid	..	29,359	0	0
Debentures repaid	..	700	0	0
		<u>£557,722</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>5</u>

PAYMENTS.		£	s.	d.
Repaid depositors	..	380,705	4	11
Interest credited depositors	..	17,145	1	9
Advanced on mortgage	..	15,405	0	0
Placed on deposit with—				
Union Bank of Australia	..	1,000	0	0
Bank of New Zealand	..	1,000	0	0
National Bank of New Zealand	..	8,000	0	0
Bank of New South Wales	..	8,000	0	0
Charges	..	3,366	3	6
Building Account	..	68	6	0
Deposit with Bank of New Zealand (current account)	..	123,032	8	3
		<u>£557,722</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>5</u>

R. CAMERON, Manager.
S. G. ROUNTREE, Accountant.
G. S. KISSLING, Auditor.

31st December, 1896.

We hereby certify that we have examined the above statement of the receipts and payments of the Auckland Savings-bank, and to the best of our belief it contains a true and correct account of all the transactions of the bank during the year, and that the balance of cash amounts to £123,032 8s. 3d.

J. H. UPTON, Vice-President.
JAMES HARDIE,
J. EDSON,
C. C. McMILLAN,
JOHN REID, } Trustees.

Bank of New Zealand,
Auckland, 12th January, 1897.

We hereby certify that the amount at the credit of the Trustees of the Auckland Savings-bank in account with the Bank of New Zealand, on the 31st December, 1896, was £119,141 13s. 8d.

	£	s.	d.
Balance as above	119,141	13	8
Cash in hand, paid in on 5th January, 1897	3,890	14	7
	<u>£123,032</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>3</u>

T. L. MURRAY, Manager.
H. BUCKLETON, Accountant.

STATEMENT of the ASSETS and LIABILITIES of the Auckland Savings-bank on the 31st December, 1896.

LIABILITIES.		£	s.	d.
Amount due 21,076 depositors	..	543,798	14	1
Investment Fluctuation Account	..	10,000	0	0
Balance	..	34,658	4	10
		<u>£588,456</u>	<u>18</u>	<u>11</u>

ASSETS.		£	s.	d.
Invested on mortgage (revalued)	..	215,632	0	0
Invested on debentures	..	158,400	0	0
Interest due, 31st December, 1896	..	4,601	1	1
Deposits with—				
Bank of New Zealand	..	21,500	0	0
National Bank of New Zealand	..	21,500	0	0
Bank of New South Wales	..	21,500	0	0
Union Bank of Australia	..	6,000	0	0
Interest accrued on deposits, 31st December, 1896	..	1,291	9	7
Bank premises	..	15,000	0	0
Deposit with Bank of New Zealand (current account)	..	123,032	8	3
		<u>£588,456</u>	<u>18</u>	<u>11</u>

R. CAMERON, Manager.
S. G. ROUNTREE, Accountant.

31st December, 1896.

We hereby certify that, to the best of our belief, the above is a true and correct statement of the assets and liabilities of the Auckland Savings-bank on the 31st December, 1896.

J. H. UPTON, Vice-President.
JAMES HARDIE,
C. C. McMILLAN,
JOHN REID,
J. EDSON,
G. S. KISSLING, Auditor. } Trustees.

PARTICULARS of the Estates of Deceased Persons which have been placed under the Charge of the PUBLIC TRUSTEE for Management during the Month of January, 1897.

No.	Name of Deceased.	Colonial Residence.	Supposed British or Foreign Residence.	Date of Order, or Date of Filing of Election to administer.	Value or Estimated Value of Estate (gross).	Time of Deceased's Death.	Remarks.
1	Anderson, John August	Mangatainoka	..	15 Jan., 1897	Under £110	8 Nov., 1896	Relatives known.
2	Beckett, Edward	Linwood	..	29 Jan., 1897	£125	5 Dec., 1896	Relatives known.
3	Bennett, John	Tophouse	..	7 Jan., 1897	£12	19 Nov., 1896	..
4	Broadfoot, David	Bullendale	Scotland	9 Jan., 1897	£50	3 Dec., 1896	..
5	Bushell, Robert	Okato	..	18 Jan., 1897	£20	..	..
6	Cutler, George Osbert	Auckland	..	18 Jan., 1897	£22	8 Nov., 1896	Relatives known.
7	Drysdale, James	Palmerston S.	Scotland	9 Jan., 1897	£90	9 Dec., 1896	Relatives known.
8	Efey, Charles	Christchurch	Germany	18 Jan., 1897	£560	13 Dec., 1896	Will annexed.
9	Forsgate, John, or Thomas	Tadmor	England	7 Jan., 1897	£196	21 Nov., 1896	Relatives known
10	Fossett, Charles Portland	Auckland	..	21 Jan., 1897	£95	2 Sept., 1895	Relatives known.
11	Fraser, John Robert	Kaikoura	Ireland	9 Jan., 1897	£175	28 Oct., 1896	Relatives known.
12	Moxham, James Kiddy	Halcombe	..	15 Dec., 1896	£570	..	..
13	Parks, Alexander Edward	Puysegur Point	Portsmouth	22 Dec., 1896	£315	12 Nov., 1896	Relatives known.
14	Snell, Albert	Wellington	Cornwall	21 Jan., 1897	£210	28 Dec., 1896	Relatives known.
15	Stevens, Campbell	Wallacetown	Scotland	18 Jan., 1897	£106	16 Dec., 1896	Relatives known.
16	Stuart, Jane	Nelson	..	20 Jan., 1897	£20	4 June, 1896	Relatives known.
17	Tunn, Andrew	Dunedin	Ireland	26 Jan., 1897	£315	26 Dec., 1896	Relatives known.
18	Wilson, John	Bald Hill Flat	Scotland	21 Jan., 1897	£9	5 Nov., 1896	..
19	Cable, William John	Queenstown	..	15 Jan., 1897	£10	25 Sept., 1896	..

Dated the 2nd day of February, 1897.

JAMES C. MARTIN,
Public Trustee.

Result of University Scholarships and Schools of Mines Examinations.

Mines Department, Wellington, 10th February, 1897.

THE following table, showing the results of the recent Schools of Mines examinations, and for university scholarships in connection therewith, is published for general information.

A. J. CADMAN,
Minister of Mines.

RESULT OF UNIVERSITY SCHOLARSHIPS AND SCHOOLS OF MINES EXAMINATIONS.

Thames School of Mines.

Name of Student.	Practical Chemistry (Senior).	Practical Chemistry (Junior).	Theoretical Chemistry (Senior).	Theoretical Chemistry (Junior).	Theoretical Chemistry, Elementary.	Practical Assaying (Senior).	Practical Assaying (Junior).	Practical Assaying, Wet (Senior).	Practical Assaying, Wet (Junior).	Mineralogy.	Metallurgy of Gold and Silver.	Mining.	Ventilation and Explosives.	Pumping and Wind-ing.	General and Mining Geology.	Land and Mining Surveying.	Map-drawing.	Mechanical Drawing.
K. M. Barrance ..	90	..	96	..	..	98	..	95	..	73.5	64	83	71	79	87.5	56	70	†
G. C. S. Fleming ..	100	..	100	..	..	100	..	98	..	..	80	82	71	..	88.8	59	75	†
H. E. Metcalfe	70	96	..	..	86	..	63	..	64.5	62	74	70	44	86.2	50	65	†
G. McDermott	66	..	61	..	45	68	..
E. P. Bennett	43	..	..
F. Woolcock ..	79	..	68	..	..	90	..	85	..	..	..	54	60	17	..	84	65	†
W. Donovan ..	85	..	94	..	..	94	..	85	..	..	..	..	..	..	54	51	..	†
G. H. White	46	..	64	..	..	..	..
Acheson Jones	91	..	90	..	..	42	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
M. D. O'Keefe	28	..	..	..	..	..	..
W. Lovatt	77	..	..	..	..	..	..	46.6	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
J. H. Jackson	68	..	..	94	..	..	90	54.5	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Robert Clarke	70	94	..	..	82	..	88	..	74	73	..	..	..	59.8	74	..	..
Norman McNaughton	64	..	..	55	60	..	..	..	..	..	..	41.5	..	..	..
W. J. Gillies	76	..	..	70	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
L. N. Wilson	90	..	90	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
J. A. Endean	90	..	96	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
A. H. Thorpe	85	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
J. T. Reed	80	..	71	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
W. S. Moyle	70	..	53	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
J. Clark	73	..	70	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Adam H. Wilson	72	..	58	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
A. Campbell	70	..	73	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Charles Clark	70	..	85	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
A. Ross	67	..	60	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
N. G. Laurie	67	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
J. McLean	50	..	*	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
L. J. Lawless	59	..	80	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
G. W. Nicholls	56	..	52	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
D. Twohill	51	..	60	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
A. E. Brown	*
Ernest Anderson	*
Frederick James Moyle	87	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Willie S. Clark	87	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
F. Jones	90	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
F. W. Hetherington	85	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
F. D. Kidd	80	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Leonard Thorburn	60	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
William G. Dare	57	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
R. McQuade	50	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Ernest Bull	50	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Samuel Carter	90	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..

NOTE.—Messrs. K. M. Barrance and G. C. S. Fleming were the only scholarship candidates.

* Failed in this subject.

† No award made.

Reefton School of Mines.

Name of Student.	Practical Assaying (Senior).	Practical Assaying (Junior).	Practical Assaying, Dry (Senior).	Pumping and Wind-ing.	Lead and Mining Surveying.
T. O. Bishop ..	97	90	90	..	70
N. Lawn ..	..	..	..	62	..
J. Sutherland ..	95	91	90	..	..
S. Lawn ..	..	81	..	..	..
N. S. Lawn ..	..	..	95	..	..

Tender for Tailoring for the Permanent Militia accepted.

Defence Office, Wellington, 3rd February, 1897.

IT is hereby notified for general information that the under-mentioned tender for tailoring for the Permanent Militia at Wellington has been accepted for three years from the 19th December, 1896.

Name of Tenderer.	Non-commissioned Officers and Men's Full-dress Tunics.		Non-commissioned Officers and Men's Full-dress Trousers per Pair.		Non-commissioned Officers and Men's Norfolk Jackets.		Non-commissioned Officers and Men's Zouave Trousers per Pair.		Rebraiding and Re-facing Non-commissioned Officers' and Men's Tunics.		Rebraiding and Re-facing Non-commissioned Officers' and Men's Jackets.		Replacing Scarlet Stripes in Trousers, per Pair.		Making Arm-Chevrons of Rank—							
	s.	d.	s.	d.	s.	d.	s.	d.	s.	d.	s.	d.	s.	d.	Sergeant-Major, Four Stripes each.	Sergeant, Three Stripes each.	Corporal, Two Stripes each.	Bombardier, One Stripe each.				
John Coogan, Wellington	27	6	12	6	22	6	12	6	10	0	8	0	4	0	1	6	1	3	1	0	0	9
Defence, 97/84.]															T. THOMPSON.							

Notice under Subsection (2) of Section 22 of "The West Coast Settlement Reserves Act, 1892."

WHEREAS by section 22 of "The West Coast Settlement Reserves Act, 1892," it is provided as follows: "For the purpose of carrying into effect the provisions of this Act, the Public Trustee, subject to the regulations of the Survey Department of the colony, may (1) make surveys of reserves, and subdivide the same as he thinks fit; (2) lay off any portions of reserves for public roads, and may make such roads. Any road so laid off shall, upon a notice being published in the *New Zealand Gazette* that the same has been laid off as a road, be deemed a public highway, and shall vest in Her Majesty the Queen":

And whereas under the authority of the said section the Public Trustee has, in accordance with the regulations of the Survey Department of the colony, laid off as public roads the portions of the reserves vested in him under "The West Coast Settlement Reserves Act, 1892," specified in the Schedule hereto:

Now, in pursuance of the said authority and of all other powers and authorities him thereunto enabling, the Public Trustee hereby notifies that the land comprised in the various Land Transfer plans specified in the first column of the Schedule hereto, and named as specified in the second column of the said Schedule, have been laid off out of the lands comprised in the grants referred to in the third column of the said Schedule as public roads.

Dated this 8th day of February, 1897.

JAMES CROSBY MARTIN,
Public Trustee.

SCHEDULE.

Land Transfer Plan Number.		
896	Hoani Road	Grant 3892, through Section 1, Block 5, Cape Survey District.
896	Komene Road	Grant 3887, through Section 4, Blocks 4 and 5, Cape.
924	Carrington Road	Through Sections 4 and 6, Block 10, Cape Survey District, Grants 3887 and 3889.
774	Turu Road	Grant 3938, through Section 34, Blocks 5 and 6, Opunake.
766	Opua Road	Between Grants 3936 and 3937 to Wiremu Road, Blocks 6 and 7, Opunake Survey District.
794		
820	Deviation of Tawhiti Road	Grant 3779, through Section 68, Block 1, Hawera Survey District.
768	Puketiki Road	Grant 3781, through Section 5, Blocks 2 and 6, Hawera Survey District.
768	Whakatau Road and Waina Road	Grant 3781, through Section 5, Block 2, Hawera.
764	Nawhini Road	Grant 3781, through Section 3, Block 3, Hawera Survey District.
630	Tihi Road	Grants 3778 and 3952, branch road through Meremere Road, through Sections 6 and 8, Mokoia and Whareroa Blocks, Block 7, Hawera Survey District.
645		
709	Grant Road	Tawhiti Road, Grant 3953, giving access to Subdivisions 2 and 3, Block 6, Whareroa Reserve, Hawera Survey District.
818	Lysaght Road	From the Ohangai Road to the Meremere Road, Blocks 7 and 11, Whareroa and Mokoia Reserves, Hawera Survey District.
849	Otutaha Road	In Taumaha Reserve, Grant 3777, Section 2, Block 15, Hawera Survey District.
952	Urekawa Road	Through Section 30, Blocks 3 and 4, Grant 3791, Carlyle Survey District, Otautau Reserve.
976	Panui Road	Through Grant 3953 to Panui Reserve.
738	Ohine Road	Through Section 9, Block III., Carlyle Survey District, Grant 3791.
332	High Road	Through Parapara, Grant 3953.
767		
682	Wiremu Road	Through Ngatitara, Blocks III. and VII., Opunake Survey District, Grant 3938.
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793		
727	Iti Road	From Meremere and Ohangai Road, Grant 3778, to Survey District 8, Mokoia.
738	Tiwhaiti Road	From Ohangai Road, to give access to Survey District 3, Whareroa Native Reserve, Grant 3953.
793	Forest Road	Ngatikahumate, Block IV., Opunake Survey District, Grant 3937.
734	Tutangi Road	Through Otoia Reserve, Grant 3776.
734	Tamaiti Road	
734	Whero Road	
734	Piupiu Road	
774	Rua Road	
807	Omahuru Road	Block I., Hawera Survey District, Grant 3805.
774	Hitona Road	Block VI., Opunake-Ngatitara, Grant 3938.
773	Tauru Road	Block 1, Opunake-Ngatitara-Nekerangi, Grant 3947.

Countries.	Auckland.	Kaipara.	Tauranga.	Poverty Bay.	New Plymouth.	Patea.	Wanganui.	Wellington.	Napier.	Wairau.	Pioston.	Nelson.	Westport.	Greymouth.	Hokitika.	Lyttelton and Christch'rah.	Timaru.	Oamaru.	Dunedin.	Invercargill and Bluff.	Parcels Post.	Totals.	Corresponding Quarter, 1895.	Countries.		
British Possessions.	296,680	2	253	5,048	9,966	2,879	20,119	394,407	94,399	2,241	18	20,062	3,855	5,068	2,599	306,959	12,307	7,519	290,998	24,408	7,997	1,321,362	1,028,931	British Possessions.		
United Kingdom	19,083		38	1,571	880	54	1,685	14,142	1,851	39	982	371	948	1,144	255	82,375	944	957	92,695	5,621	637	84,498	97,077	United Kingdom		
Victoria	47,692	779						33,398	5,488	45	1,895	98	1,144	1,144	214	15,843	1,668	2,992	19,698	4,697	1,941	180,113	194,486	Victoria		
New South Wales	90							6,925	6		1,772				65	3,149	708	708	20,416	3,283	23	80,027	61,248	New South Wales		
Queensland	1,536			149	37		37	631	270	88				154		1,287	91	128	1,188	101	33	6,617	7,143	Queensland		
South Australia																						11	11	18	South Australia	
Western Australia																						11	11	18	Western Australia	
Tasmania	1,061			38	42		37	2,195	95	1						1,137		36	1,946	801	15	7,408	9,139	Tasmania		
Pacific Islands—																									Pacific Islands—	
Fiji																1,310	47	41	498			143,000	121,083	Fiji		
Fanning																			783			724	740	Fanning		
Malden																						1,495	1,495	Malden		
Africa—																									Africa—	
Cape Colony																							9	9	Cape Colony	
Mauritius																							3	3	Mauritius	
Natal																							9	9	Natal	
Asia—																									Asia—	
Hongkong	886							2,274	872					1,118		743	291	26	1,671			70	6,960	6,742	Hongkong	
Bombay	3,236							1,250	872							1,915	261	26	1,740			112	10,080	95,626	Bombay	
Madras	21															2,317	330		10			238	31	25,538	23	Madras
Ceylon	3,771		10	130	311	329	325	12,123	762	40				135	134	449			4,222			238	15	17,922	186	Ceylon
Singapore	694				70			111								2,047			679			7	1,979	2,047	Singapore	
America—																									America—	
Canada	365															102			450			36	6,872	2,305	Canada	
British Columbia	981																								British Columbia	
Foreign Countries.																									Foreign Countries.	
Europe—																									Europe—	
France	1,745							3,076	123							862			698			13	6,960	2,691	France	
Spain								194								51			158			235	235	485	Spain	
Portugal																143			301			908	301	908	Portugal	
Italy	259							769	55							313			736			625	625	625	Italy	
Austria	32															32						64	64	64	Austria	
Switzerland	2,395																		95			2,518	2,518	2,518	Switzerland	
Greece	482				100		1,132	1,098	99							892			654			74	3,725	1,275	Greece	
Germany	8,900				514		1,132	5,957	601							6,320			5,808			614	31,325	20,223	Germany	
Norway								18								152						15	88	88	88	Norway
Sweden								89														1	191	191	191	Sweden
Denmark	34							41								65						13	35	35	35	Denmark
Belgium	738							699	22							2,200			1,227			5	4,878	3,313	Belgium	
Holland	696							599	22							65			874			10	2,471	2,943	Holland	
America—																									America—	
U.S., East Coast	40,698				30			22,602	2,922	122						25,975			47,490			905	144,650	87,167	U.S., East Coast	
West Coast	16,030							4,660	494							3,543			4,816			22	30,259	12,880	West Coast	
Costa Rica																							25	25	Costa Rica	
West Indies																									West Indies	
Africa—																									Africa—	
Egypt								177								362			468			3	539	685	Egypt	
Cape Colony	130															6						3	135	22	Cape Colony	
Mauritius																									Mauritius	
Natal																									Natal	
Asia—																									Asia—	
China	481																								China	
Japan	2,163				8			2,316	397							100			1,072			164	7,793	5,149	Japan	
Siam																4,299			1,161			110	1,185	1,185	Siam	
S. African Republic																692			1,189			94	6,531	2,543	S. African Republic	
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RETURN of the VALUE of EXPORTS from the several PORTS of NEW ZEALAND during the QUARTER ended 31st DECEMBER, 1896.

COUNTRIES.	Auckland.	Kaipara.	Tauranga.	Poverty Bay.	New Plymouth and Waitara.	Patea.	Wanganui.	Wellington.	Napier.	Wairai and Pictou.	Nelson.	Westport.	Greymouth.	Rohitika.	Lyttelton and Christchurch.	Timaru.	Oamaru.	Dunedin.	Invercargill and Bluff.	Parcels Post.	Totals.	Corresponding Quarter, 1896.	
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	
<i>British Possessions.</i>																							
United Kingdom ..	148,830	3,456	..	105,330	58,766	5,755	32,804	309,384	115,901	17,258	3,076	7,780	15,349	..	218,587	88,773	10,975	94,178	72,355	1,105	1,309,662	1,264,046	
Australia—																							
Victoria ..	6,847	4,349	..	1	848	..	23	1,967	904	687	279	3,894	31,197	5,889	4,054	2,868	115	31,603	26,981	213	122,719	151,492	
New South Wales ..	37,700	14,100	..	120	347	..	..	4,847	200	297	1,105	..	9,004	11,212	41,135	10,402	709	8,822	10,139	585	150,724	229,972
Queensland ..	207	505	..	4	..	..	..	63	..	..	644	..	..	..	1,397	1,123	72	765	317	86	5,183	6,638
South Australia ..	794	..	..	..	181	..	..	197	..	..	79	..	..	..	1,680	11	50	1,351	699	22	5,064	3,068
Western Australia ..	577	678	..	12	..	19	..	308	..	..	..	..	..	148	3,758	6,924	461	14,592	6,556	56	34,089	8,575
Tasmania ..	486	..	..	..	..	..	..	164	..	..	..	..	..	..	1,531	2	26	382	204	48	2,843	2,140
Pacific Islands—																							
Norfolk ..	261	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	263	317
Fiji ..	4,778	..	..	..	223	..	..	79	..	..	..	879	..	..	1,108	228	..	234	42	..	7,571	7,529
Phoenix ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	68
Malden ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	..
Africa—																							
Cape Colony ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	921	..	2,965	..	..	11	3,897	4,084
Natal ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	3	4	2
Mauritius ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	44	..	..	45	30
Asia—																							
Hongkong ..	748	..	..	..	50	..	..	731	..	..	..	..	1,500	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	3,081	1,182
Bengal ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	12	26	1,046
Madras ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	23	..	..	23	79
Ceylon ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	12	..	..	208	..	1	221	27
Singapore ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	59	..	..	59	1
America—																							
Canada	6	6	2
Falkland Islands ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	69	..	..	..	..	1	70	..
British Columbia ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..
Jamaica ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	2	..
<i>Foreign Countries and Possessions.</i>																							
Europe—																							
France ..	14	..	..	..	..	..	..	40	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	435	..	7	496	10
Italy ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	10	10	1
Germany ..	2,610	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	138	70	30	..	40	26	2,914	623
Sweden ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..
Norway ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4
Belgium ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..
Holland ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	324
Switzerland ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	4	..
Denmark ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	6	6	..
America—																							
United States—																							
On the East Coast ..	42,871	..	..	..	..	..	..	53	..	..	..	..	..	..	1,050	750	400	252	500	..	45,876	77,514
On the West Coast ..	23,763	..	..	..	..	..	..	195	20	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	27,950	..	..	51,928	8,271
Chili ..	105	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	105	206
Argentine Republic ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	8
Brazil ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	188	165	96	17	..	..	466	213
Uruguay ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	134	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	134	2

RETURN of the VALUE of EXPORTS from the several PORTS of NEW ZEALAND during the QUARTER ended 31st DECEMBER, 1896—continued.

COUNTRIES.	Auckland.	Kaipara.	Tauranga.	Poverty Bay.	New Plymouth and Waitara.	Patea.	Wanganui.	Wellington.	Napier.	Waikau and Pictou.	Nelson.	Westport.	Greymouth.	Hokitika.	Lyttelton and Christchurch.	Timaru.	Oamaru.	Dunedin.	Invercargill and Bluff.	Parcels Post.	Totals.	Corresponding Quarter, 1896.		
Asia—	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	
China ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	49
Japan ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4
Siam ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	6
Philippine Islands	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5
Pacific Islands—																								
New Caledonia ..	460	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	20	..	..	5	..	..	..	485	861
Chesterfield ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	10
New Hebrides	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	24	..	..	..	24	9
Friendly ..	8,004	..	..	..	5	..	..	24	..	..	..	244	..	..	882	..	..	..	..	..	..	9,159	9,586
Savage ..	502	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	502	292
Navigators ..	2,667	..	..	..	..	..	..	31	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2,756	3,644
Cook ..	5,541	..	..	..	..	..	..	12	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	20	..	..	..	5,590	4,344
Society ..	3,396	..	..	..	..	..	..	7	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3,403	2,029
Paumotu Arch. ..	49	49	184
Sandwich ..	275	14	297	368
Surprise	4
Huon	9
New Guinea	38
Totals ..	291,485	23,088	..	105,467	60,420	5,774	32,827	318,236	117,039	18,242	5,183	12,797	57,050	17,249	276,530	111,317	15,899	181,050	117,837	2,276	1,769,766	..	..
Corresponding Qr., '95	331,158	28,494	1	26,510	25,606	10,024	38,566	249,840	280,409	16,963	11,914	16,368	72,223	19,316	213,638	74,408	31,003	222,104	118,189	2,127	..	1,788,866	..	

COMPARATIVE RETURN of the VALUE of EXPORTS from the several PORTS of NEW ZEALAND during the YEARS 1896 and 1895.

1896 ..	1,275,614	76,812	2,317,872	204,612	42,361	288,565	1,489,753	849,131	118,866	59,530	37,940	228,200	74,474	1,694,850	539,497	247,198	1,052,285	713,480	7,721	9,318,763	..
1895 ..	1,302,075	90,621	1,136,539	108,846	30,347	241,053	1,140,354	870,422	123,355	63,727	40,736	257,065	74,546	1,635,331	474,858	310,893	1,047,489	595,277	6,689	8,550,224	..

Department of Trade and Customs, Wellington, 4th February, 1897.

W. T. GLASGOW,
Secretary and Inspector.

RETURN of the NUMBER, TONNAGE, and CREWS of VESSELS ENTERED INWARDS at the several PORTS of NEW ZEALAND during the QUARTER ended 31st DECEMBER, 1896.

PORTS OF ARRIVAL.	Sailing or Steam Vessels.	WHENCE.						BRITISH.									FOREIGN.									TOTALS.									Corresponding Quarter, 1895.		
		United Kingdom.		British Possessions.		Foreign Countries and Whale Fisheries.		With Cargoes.			In Ballast.			Totals.			With Cargoes.			In Ballast.			Totals.			With Cargoes.			In Ballast.			Totals.					
		With Cargoes.	In Ballast.	With Cargoes.	In Ballast.	With Cargoes.	In Ballast.	Vessels.	Tons.	Crews.	Vessels.	Tons.	Crews.	Vessels.	Tons.	Crews.	Vessels.	Tons.	Crews.	Vessels.	Tons.	Crews.	Vessels.	Tons.	Crews.	Vessels.	Tons.	Crews.	Vessels.	Tons.	Crews.	Vessels.	Tons.	Crews.			
Auckland	Sailing	1	..	12	1	3	..	15	4893	136	1	1160	18	16	6053	154	1	531	9	..	..	..	1	531	9	16	5424	145	1	1160	18	17	6584	163	16	8392	168
	Steam	5	1	28	1	11	..	39	49629	1722	2	361	38	41	49990	1760	5	9695	444	..	..	..	5	9695	444	44	59324	2166	2	361	38	46	59685	2204	46	60219	2193
Total	..	6	1	40	2	14	..	54	54522	1858	3	1521	56	57	56043	1914	6	10226	453	..	..	..	6	10226	453	60	64748	2311	3	1521	56	63	66269	2367	62	68611	2361
Kaipara	Sailing	..	..	1	..	1	..	1	245	8	..	..	..	1	245	8	1	150	11	..	..	..	1	150	11	2	395	19	..	..	..	2	395	19	3	987	24
Poverty Bay	Sailing	..	..	2	..	..	..	2	366	16	..	..	..	2	366	16	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	366	16	..	..	..	2	366	16	2	250	12	
Wanganui	Sailing	..	..	2	..	..	..	2	403	14	..	..	..	2	403	14	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	403	14	..	..	..	2	403	14	3	453	20	
Wellington	Sailing	4	..	9	..	1	..	12	7830	157	..	..	..	12	7830	157	2	1375	24	..	..	..	2	1375	24	14	9205	181	..	..	..	14	9205	181	9	7107	146
	Steam	7	..	13	1	..	..	20	41447	1301	1	82	10	21	41529	1311	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	20	41447	1301	1	82	10	21	41529	1311	22	41134	1446
Total	..	11	..	22	1	1	..	32	49277	1458	1	82	10	33	49359	1468	2	1375	24	..	..	..	2	1375	24	34	50652	1482	1	82	10	35	50734	1492	31	48241	1592
Napier	Sailing	..	..	4	1	..	..	4	1049	31	1	831	16	5	1880	47	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	1049	31	1	831	16	5	1880	47	7	5608	107	
Picton	Sailing	..	..	1	1	..	..	1	97	5	1	649	15	2	746	20	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	97	5	1	649	15	2	746	20	1	222	8	
Nelson	Sailing	1	..	..	..	..	..	1	1092	26	..	..	..	1	1092	26	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1092	26	..	..	..	1	1092	26	1	997	23	
Westport	Sailing	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	670	11	1	670	11	..	..	..	1	670	11	1	670	11	..	..	..
Greymouth	Sailing	..	..	1	..	..	..	1	191	7	..	..	..	1	191	7	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	191	7	..	..	..	1	191	7	..	..	..
	Steam	1	..	..	..	..	..	1	355	13	..	..	..	1	355	13	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	355	13	..	..	..	1	355	13	..	..	..
Total	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	2	546	20	..	..	..	2	546	20	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	546	20	..	..	..	2	546	20	..	..	..
Lyttelton	Sailing	1	..	5	2	1	..	4	3386	61	2	2381	46	6	5767	107	3	1939	33	..	..	..	3	1939	33	7	5325	94	2	2381	46	9	7706	140	9	7645	143
	Steam	..	..	1	1	..	..	1	1304	34	1	2427	51	2	3731	85	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1304	34	1	2427	51	2	3731	85	5	9960	191	
Total	..	1	..	6	3	1	..	5	4690	95	3	4808	97	8	9498	192	3	1939	33	..	..	..	3	1939	33	8	6629	128	3	4808	97	11	11437	225	14	17605	334
Timaru	Sailing	..	..	2	..	..	1	1	519	14	1	904	17	2	1423	31	1	369	10	..	..	..	1	369	10	2	888	24	1	904	17	3	1792	41	2	2398	38
	Steam	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	377	15	
Total	..	..	..	2	..	..	1	1	519	14	1	904	17	2	1423	31	1	369	10	..	..	..	1	369	10	2	888	24	1	904	17	3	1792	41	3	2775	53

RETURN of the NUMBER, TONNAGE, and CREWS of VESSELS CLEARED OUTWARDS at the several PORTS of NEW ZEALAND during the QUARTER ended 31st DECEMBER, 1896.

PORTS OF DEPARTURE.	Sailing or Steam Vessels.	CLEARED FOR						BRITISH.						FOREIGN.						TOTALS.						Corresponding Quarter, 1895.											
		United Kingdom.		British Possessions.		Foreign Countries and Whale Fisheries.		With Cargoes.			In Ballast.			Totals.			With Cargoes.			In Ballast.			Totals.														
		With Cargoes.	In Ballast.	With Cargoes.	In Ballast.	With Cargoes.	In Ballast.	Vessels.	Tons.	Crews.	Vessels.	Tons.	Crews.	Vessels.	Tons.	Crews.	Vessels.	Tons.	Crews.	Vessels.	Tons.	Crews.	Vessels.	Tons.	Crews.	Vessels.	Tons.	Crews.	Vessels.	Tons.	Crews.						
Auckland	Sailing Steam	1	..	10	..	5	1	15	6122	143	1	33	3	16	6155	146	1	712	12	..	..	..	1	712	12	16	6834	155	1	33	3	17	6867	158	19	9314	191
Total	..	1	..	33	1	18	1	46	38951	1547	2	1426	30	48	40377	1577	6	10407	456	..	..	..	6	10407	456	52	49358	2003	2	1426	30	54	50784	2033	60	53658	2171
Kaipara	Sailing Steam	1	..	18	..	..	..	16	5395	139	..	..	..	16	5395	139	3	1250	30	..	..	..	3	1250	30	19	6645	169	..	..	..	19	6645	169	25	9004	224
Total	..	1	..	18	..	..	..	16	5395	139	..	..	..	16	5395	139	3	1250	30	..	..	..	3	1250	30	19	6645	169	..	..	..	19	6645	169	26	9381	239
Poverty Bay	Sailing	1	..	..	..	..	..	1	1306	28	..	..	..	1	1306	28	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1306	28	..	..	..	1	1306	28	..	..	..
Wellington	Sailing Steam	2	..	1	2	..	..	3	2566	52	1	292	7	4	2858	59	..	..	..	1	541	9	1	541	9	3	2566	52	2	833	16	5	3399	68	..	..	..
Total	..	12	..	11	4	..	..	23	47073	1275	3	726	52	26	47799	1327	..	..	..	1	541	9	1	541	9	23	47073	1275	4	1267	61	27	48340	1336	27	56788	1690
Napier	Sailing	2	..	..	1	..	..	2	1961	37	1	98	5	3	2059	42	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	1961	37	1	98	5	3	2059	42	2	2357	45
Westport	Sailing Steam	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	1192	21	..	..	..	2	1192	21	2	1192	21	..	..	..	2	1192	21	..	..	..
Total	..	..	..	1	..	2	..	1	917	27	..	..	..	1	917	27	2	1192	21	..	..	..	2	1192	21	3	2109	48	..	..	..	3	2109	48	1	411	21
Greymouth	Sailing	..	..	3	..	..	..	3	950	25	..	..	..	3	950	25	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	950	25	..	..	..	3	950	25	2	570	15
Lyttelton	Sailing Steam	1	..	3	1	1	..	3	2176	50	1	252	9	4	2423	59	2	1480	24	..	..	..	2	1480	24	5	3656	74	1	252	9	6	3908	83	4	3827	75
Total	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	3	10515	310	..	..	..	3	10515	310	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	10515	310	..	..	..	3	10515	310	2	5793	102
Timaru	Sailing	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	1192	28	..	..	..	3	1192	28	3	1192	28	..	..	..	3	1192	28	..	..	..
Oamaru	Sailing	..	..	1	..	..	..	1	728	14	..	..	..	1	728	14	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	728	14	..	..	..	1	728	14	..	..	..
Dunedin	Sailing Steam	..	..	2	1	..	..	2	652	18	1	1066	20	3	1718	38	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	652	18	1	1066	20	3	1718	38	1	395	9
Total	..	1	..	3	2	..	..	4	4105	109	2	2137	48	6	6242	157	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	4105	109	2	2137	48	6	6242	157	1	395	9

RETURN of the NUMBER, TONNAGE, and CREWS of VESSELS CLEARED OUTWARDS at the several PORTS of NEW ZEALAND during the QUARTER ended 31st DECEMBER, 1896—continued.

PORTS OF DEPARTURE.	Sailing or Steam Vessels.	CLEARED FOR									BRITISH.									FOREIGN.									TOTALS.									Corresponding Quarter, 1895.		
		United Kingdom.		British Possessions.		Foreign Countries and Whale Fisheries.		With Cargoes.			In Ballast.			Totals.			With Cargoes.			In Ballast.			Totals.			With Cargoes.			In Ballast.			Totals.								
		With Cargoes.	In Ballast.	With Cargoes.	In Ballast.	With Cargoes.	In Ballast.	Vessels.	Tons.	Crews.	Vessels.	Tons.	Crews.	Vessels.	Tons.	Crews.	Vessels.	Tons.	Crews.	Vessels.	Tons.	Crews.	Vessels.	Tons.	Crews.	Vessels.	Tons.	Crews.	Vessels.	Tons.	Crews.	Vessels.	Tons.	Crews.						
Bluff Harbo'r	Sailing Steam	3	3	850	25	3	850	25	3	850	25	3	653	24		
	Total ..	..	..	13	..	..	..	13	16500	762	..	..	..	13	16500	762	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	13	16500	762	16	23179	942
Total ship'ng outwards	Sailing Steam	8	..	44	5	8	1	49	22706	531	5	1741	44	54	24447	575	11	5826	115	1	541	9	12	6367	124	60	28532	646	6	2282	53	66	30814	699	..	..	..
	Total ..	14	..	48	4	13	..	70	108721	3817	4	2898	100	74	111619	3917	5	9695	444	..	..	..	5	9695	444	75	118416	4261	4	2898	100	79	121314	4361	..	..	..
Correspndng. Quar., 1895	Sailing Steam	9	..	40	2	5	..	48	21002	496	2	1041	20	50	22043	516	6	4077	67	..	..	..	6	4077	67	54	25079	563	2	1041	20	..	..	..	56	26120	583
	Total ..	18	..	51	6	12	1	76	115854	4088	7	5343	135	83	121197	4283	5	9695	467	..	..	..	5	9695	467	81	125549	4555	7	5343	195	..	..	..	88	130892	4750
Total ..	Sailing Steam	27	..	91	8	17	1	124	136856	4584	9	6384	215	133	143240	4799	11	13772	534	..	..	..	11	13772	534	135	150628	5118	9	6384	215	..	..	..	144	157012	5333

COMPARATIVE RETURN of the NUMBER, TONNAGE, and CREWS of VESSELS CLEARED OUTWARDS for the YEARS 1896 and 1895.

Year	Sailing Steam	With Cargoes.	In Ballast.	Totals.	Vessels.	Tons.	Crews.	Vessels.	Tons.	Crews.	Vessels.	Tons.	Crews.	Vessels.	Tons.	Crews.	Vessels.	Tons.	Crews.	Vessels.	Tons.	Crews.	Vessels.	Tons.	Crews.	Vessels.	Tons.	Crews.	Vessels.	Tons.	Crews.						
1896	Sailing Steam	55	..	171	16	34	4	214	105579	2420	18	7856	174	232	113435	2594	46	27357	513	2	1740	26	48	29097	599	260	132936	2933	20	9596	200	..	..	..	280	142532	3133
	Total ..	61	..	192	11	48	..	284	435828	15152	11	16336	356	295	452164	15508	17	32963	1576	..	..	..	17	32963	1576	301	468791	16728	11	16336	356	..	..	..	312	485127	17084
1895	Sailing Steam	59	..	153	24	28	4	217	100152	2371	26	10592	247	243	110744	2618	23	15497	294	2	1536	26	25	17033	320	240	115649	2665	28	12128	273	..	..	..	268	127777	2938
	Total ..	71	..	205	14	38	1	296	471760	16550	15	14507	428	311	486267	16978	18	34902	1703	..	..	..	18	34902	1703	314	506662	18253	15	14507	428	..	..	..	329	521169	18681
Total ..	Sailing Steam	116	..	363	27	82	4	493	541407	17572	29	24192	530	527	565599	18102	63	60320	2089	2	1740	26	65	62060	2115	561	601727	19661	31	25932	556	..	..	..	592	627659	20217
	Total ..	130	..	358	38	66	5	513	571912	18921	41	25099	675	554	597011	19596	41	50399	1997	2	1536	26	43	51935	2023	554	622311	20918	43	26635	701	..	..	..	597	648946	21619

Department of Trade and Customs, Wellington, 29th January, 1897.

W. T. GLASGOW,
Secretary and Inspector.

RETURN of the QUANTITY and VALUE of EXPORTS from NEW ZEALAND during the QUARTER ended 31st DECEMBER, 1896.

ARTICLES	AUCKLAND		KAIPARA		TAURANGA		POVERTY BAY		NEW PLYMOUTH AND WAITARA.		PATEA		WANGANUI		WELLINGTON		NAPIERE		WAIRAU AND PICTON		NELSON		ARTICLES	
	Quantity	Value	Quantity	Value	Quantity	Value	Quantity	Value	Quantity	Value	Quantity	Value	Quantity	Value	Quantity	Value	Quantity	Value	Quantity	Value	Quantity	Value		
The Mine,—																							The Mine,—	
Coal tons	5891	3652	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3498	3439	...	...	...	...	...	...	Coal
Gold ounces	27471	104094	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Gold
Silver ounces	30330	3421	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Silver
Minerals tons	3	12	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3	38	...	...	...	...	...	...	Minerals
	...	111179	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3477	...	...	...	...	...	...
The Fisheries,—																							The Fisheries,—	
Fish cwt.	572	1020	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	5	4	...	...	...	...	...	...	Fish
Oysters dozens	23900	120	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1098	...	...	...	...	...	...	Oysters
Other kinds ... ..	...	149	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Other kinds
	...	1289	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1100	...	...	...	...	...	...
The Forest,—																							The Forest,—	
Fungus cwt.	349	1123	...	...	...	...	...	...	177	247	...	...	...	...	558	771	...	...	...	...	...	...	Fungus
Gum (Kauri) tons	1514	80169	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Gum (Kauri)
Timber (Sawn & Hewn) feet	2571084	10736	6052997	23088	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	30900	104	...	...	...	...	...	...	Timber (Sawn & Hewn)
Other kinds ... ..	...	375	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	293	...	...	...	...	...	...	Other kinds
	...	102403	...	23088	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1168	...	...	...	...	...	...
Animals and Produce,—																							Animals and Produce,—	
Bacon and Hams cwt.	83	276	...	...	...	...	10	28	10	33	...	...	...	...	13	36	...	...	...	...	...	...	Bacon and Hams
Beef (Salted) cwt.	1166	1213	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Beef (Salted)
Butter cwt.	2982	12067	...	...	...	...	13	48	13351	52593	217	793	150	560	5841	23101	...	...	...	...	...	...	Butter
Cheese cwt.	39	99	...	...	...	...	56	104	751	1340	...	...	...	...	3901	7209	...	...	...	...	...	...	Cheese
Hides number	376	330	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Hides
Live Stock number	674	1536	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	70	224	...	...	...	...	...	...	Live Stock
Meats (Preserved) cwt.	683	1441	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	202	383	...	...	762	1025	93	192	...	...	...	...	Meats (Preserved)
(Frozen) cwt.	6345	6666	...	...	...	...	9998	10728	2044	1851	...	...	...	...	23852	25732	4701	5484	...	...	...	...	(Frozen)
Sausage-skins cwt.	30	158	...	...	...	...	42	165	...	...	...	...	...	...	262	1448	...	...	...	...	...	...	Sausage-skins
Skins (Rabbit) number	Skins (Rabbit)
(Sheep) number	19380	809	...	...	...	...	18896	968	960	27	7200	404	14272	1123	152944	990	...	19176	110	2950	30	...	(Sheep)
Tallow tons	157	2513	26	465	5	87	23	446	40	663	72125	5226	6139	370	9353	543	2225	321	...	Tallow
Wool lbs.	391304	13281	2764442	92956	98546	3155	112500	3748	1000667	30416	7165057	228915	86	3156208	109961	564311	15428	52839	1527	...	Wool
Other kinds ... ..	...	40796	...	...	...	...	105462	...	59086	...	5774	...	32762	...	302908	...	116162	...	16421	...	2964	...	Other kinds
Agricultural Products,—																							Agricultural Products,—	
Bran and Sharps tons	43	160	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	9	30	...	...	...	...	...	...	Bran and Sharps
Chaff tons	9	38	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Chaff
Flour tons	455	3747	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	11	140	...	...	...	...	...	...	Flour
Grain (Barley) bushels	143	21	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Grain (Barley)
(Beans and Peas) bushels	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	(Beans and Peas)
(Maize) bushels	109	15	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	(Maize)
(Malt) bushels	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	(Malt)
(Oats) bushels	1047	130	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1220	277	...	...	...	(Oats)
(Wheat) bushels	215	54	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	(Wheat)
Hops cwt.	Hops
Meal (Oat) centals	13	8	20	12	Meal (Oat)
Potatoes tons	106	660	Potatoes
Seeds (Grass & Clover) cwt.	365	847	Seeds (Grass & Clover)
Other kinds	220	80	Other kinds
	...	5053	
Manufactures,—																							Manufactures,—	
Apparel	437	34	Apparel
Leather cwt.	321	1333	423	1548	Leather
Phormium tons	260	2864	121	1212	141	1412	11	122	...	Phormium
Woolens	5	Woolens
Other kinds	7293	100	Other kinds
	...	11932	42	
Miscellaneous value	...	1178	Miscellaneous
	
Total New Zealand Produce and Manufactures ... ..	...	273830	...	23088	...	...	105463	...	59580	...	5774	...	32804	...	315068	...	116164	...	18242	...	...	5013	...
Specie ... ..	...	3251	...	...	...	...	...	...	840	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Other Colonial, British, and Foreign Produce and Manufactures	14404	4	23	...	3167	...	89	170	...	
TOTALS	291485	...	23088	105467	...	60420	...	5774	...	32827	...	318236	...	117039	...	18242	5183	...	

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RETURN of the QUANTITY and VALUE of EXPORTS from NEW ZEALAND during the QUARTER ended 31st DECEMBER, 1896—continued.

ARTICLES	WESTPORT		GREYMOUTH		HOKITIKA		LYTTELTON		TIMARU		OAMARU		DUNEDIN		INVERCARGILL		PARADES POST.	TOTALS		CORRESPONDING QUARTER, 1895	ARTICLES		
	Quantity	Value	Quantity	Value	Quantity	Value	Quantity	Value	Quantity	Value	Quantity	Value	Quantity	Value	Quantity	Value		Quantity	Value			Value	
The Mine,—																							
Coal ... tons	2164	1123	...	...	...	...	4272	4806	...	...	...	...	882	946	...	...	...	...	16707	13966	18750	The Mine,—
Gold ... ounces	2817	11198	12656	51825	4351	17003	...	...	...	...	...	...	16735	68454	2803	11212	...	...	67033	263786	360766	Coal
Silver ... ounces	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	30330	3421	2357	Gold
Minerals ... tons	...	...	12	173	...	...	...	...	...	...	195	160	...	...	...	...	...	...	220	471	946	Silver
	...	12321	...	51998	...	17003	...	4806	...	...	...	180	...	69400	...	11213	...	...	...	220	471	Minerals
The Fisheries,—																							
Fish ... cwt.	...	...	13	48	67	246	...	...	...	...	1	1	382	1270	1471	2056	...	...	2511	4645	2246	The Fisheries,—
Oysters ... dozens	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	24930	251	...	...	48830	371	273	Fish
Other kinds ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	143	...	...	...	1388	1107	Oysters
The Forest,—																							
Fungus ... cwt.	1084	2141	1727	The Forest,—
Gum (Kauri) ... tons	1514	90169	92441	Fungus
Timber (Sawn and Hewn) feet	...	...	595335	2205	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	9250316	86133	42040	Timber (Sawn & Hewn)
Other kinds ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	686	814	Other kinds
Animals and Produce,—																							
Bacon and Hams ... cwt.	...	...	...	...	...	...	2579	8349	...	...	5	15	269	845	233	764	...	...	3202	10346	3598	Animals and Produce,—
Beef (Salted) ... cwt.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	24	17	...	...	...	...	1190	1230	1243	Bacon and Hams
Butter ... cwt.	...	...	...	...	...	...	1587	6287	31	92	...	...	1774	6889	...	...	...	...	26372	103845	71802	Beef (Salted)
Cheese ... cwt.	...	...	...	...	...	...	873	1663	16	31	...	...	4766	9284	626	1339	...	...	11028	21049	18936	Butter
Hides ... number	411	380	793	758	...	...	...	...	...	...	40	26	...	...	17	8	...	...	1637	1482	2730	Cheese
Live Stock ... number	...	...	...	...	...	...	269	2104	...	...	...	...	4	100	...	...	...	...	1017	3964	5369	Hides
Meats (Preserved) ... cwt.	...	...	...	...	...	...	594	1779	...	...	61	122	952	2938	1334	1978	...	...	4681	8585	11862	Live Stock
Meats (Frozen) ... cwt.	...	...	...	...	...	...	51965	53550	31366	29374	357	334	9896	9200	36321	40047	...	...	176845	182968	210133	Meats (Preserved)
Sausage-skins ... cwt.	...	...	...	...	...	...	452	1796	216	820	...	...	15	55	132	540	...	...	1269	5412	4596	Meats (Frozen)
Skins (Rabbit) ... number	...	...	...	...	...	...	13188	96	...	...	37219	262	3193946	23665	2466177	3134	...	...	3885500	28287	36739	Sausage-skins
Skins (Sheep) ... number	...	...	...	...	...	...	201884	9686	48334	1712	4040	127	61669	5009	51624	2608	...	...	519081	29133	35939	Skins (Rabbit)
Tallow ... tons	8	116	...	...	...	...	715	12719	213	3679	...	...	78	1030	204	3202	...	...	1972	33002	28192	Skins (Sheep)
Wool ... lbs.	...	...	...	...	...	...	2884533	97256	1584969	53783	336555	10238	485753	18905	528905	21213	...	...	21127819	700882	674450	Tallow
Other kinds	242	554	...	221	1510	1144	Wool
		478		758				195727		89491		11554		77571		75054				1132966		1106533	
Agricultural Products,—																							
Bran and Sharps ... tons	...	...	...	...	...	...	770	2504	602	1924	213	511	428	1296	78	290	...	...	2141	6715	3047	Agricultural Products,—
Chaff ... tons	...	...	...	...	...	...	1105	3395	207	605	84	211	11	34	16	36	...	...	1432	4319	37	Bran and Sharps
Flour ... tons	...	...	...	...	...	...	1425	14732	1407	14250	120	1008	...	...	...	...	...	...	3418	33877	566	Chaff
Grain (Barley) ... bushels	...	...	...	...	...	...	435	81	...	...	1108	160	1739	284	...	...	...	...	3425	546	229	Flour
Grain (Beans and Peas) ... bushels	...	...	...	...	...	...	7174	1066	99	17	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	7273	1083	3224	Grain (Barley)
Grain (Maize) ... bushels	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	109	15	5177	Grain (Beans and Peas)
Grain (Malt) ... bushels	...	...	...	...	...	...	38972	9042	...	...	...	...	88	25	...	...	...	...	40280	9344	5308	Grain (Maize)
Grain (Oats) ... bushels	...	...	...	...	...	...	23677	2503	25577	2415	20285	1922	163066	16580	252390	24303	...	...	486042	47153	48424	Grain (Malt)
Grain (Wheat) ... bushels	...	...	...	...	...	...	34424	6754	12317	2448	...	...	9794	1789	1218	239	...	...	57968	11282	65	Grain (Oats)
Hops ... cwt.	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	7	...	...	...	...	17	90	...	...	...	...	397	2014	2994	Grain (Wheat)
Meal (Oat) ... cwt.	...	...	...	...	...	...	134	72	...	...	...	...	435	200	3131	1493	...	...	3733	1795	803	Hops
Potatoes ... tons	...	...	...	...	...	...	15	48	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	121	708	5072	Meal (Oat)
Seeds (Grass and Clover) ... cwt.	...	...	...	...	...	...	6736	15991	...	...	4	4	296	634	72	73	...	...	7473	17549	2311	Potatoes
Other kinds ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1403	...	...	...	...	117	...	757	...	...	...	...	2931	2353	Seeds (Grass and Clover)
								57598		21657		4160		20049		27491				139321		79610	
Manufactures,—																							
Apparel ... cwt.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	350	...	5	...	2	...	4	...	...	...	...	...	845	666	Manufactures,—
Leather ... tons	...	...	...	...	...	...	2204	11560	...	...	...	...	771	3425	...	...	...	...	3762	17983	21761	Apparel
Phormium ... tons	...	...	...	...	...	...	49	723	10	147	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	593	6493	7015	Leather
Woolens ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	293	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	587	1557	Phormium
Other kinds	1484	2963	602	14438	Woolens
								14409		152		2		6682		602				40326		41401	
Miscellaneous ... value	13	...	3	382	...	3	2276	4445	6837	Miscellaneous
Total New Zealand Produce and Manufactures ...	...	12797	...	55009	...	17249	...	272554	...	111303	...	15895	...	175319	...	116816	2276	...	...	1734235	1757848	
Specie ...	...	...	...	1500	...	...	...	1958	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	500	...	...	...	8835	538	
Other Colonial, British, and Foreign Produce and Manufactures ...	...	...	...	541	...	...	...	2018	...	14	...	14	...	5731	...	521	...	...	...	26696	36761	
TOTALS ...	...	12797	...	57050	...	17249	...	276530	...	111317	...	15899	...	181050	...	117837	2276	...	...	1769766	1795147	

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

NOTICE is hereby given that HENRY AUGUSTUS HOFFMANN, of Auckland, Piano-tuner, was this day adjudged bankrupt; and I hereby summon a meeting of creditors, to be holden at my office, on Monday, the 8th day of February, 1897, at 11 o'clock.

1st February, 1897. J. LAWSON,
Official Assignee.

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

NOTICE is hereby given that PETER OLAF PEDERSEN, of Matamau, Labourer, was this day adjudged bankrupt; and I hereby summon a meeting of creditors, to be holden at the Courthouse, Dannevirke, on Wednesday, the 17th day of February, 1897, at 1 o'clock.

M. W. P. LASCELLES,
Deputy Official Assignee.
Napier, 9th February, 1897.

In Bankruptcy.—In the District Court of Taranaki, holden at Hawera.

In the matter of "The Bankruptcy Act, 1892"; and in the matter of the bankruptcy of DAVID NIMMO SCOTT and JOHN EDWARD MACKENZIE, carrying on business at Hawera as Booksellers and Stationers, under the style of "D. Nimmo Scott and Co."

NOTICE is hereby given that at the next sitting of this honourable Court to be holden at Hawera, on Wednesday, the 10th day of March next, I, the above-named John Edward Mackenzie, intend to apply for an order of discharge.

Dated at Hawera, the 4th day of February, 1897.
J. E. MACKENZIE.

H. CAPLEN, Solicitor, Hawera.

In Bankruptcy.—In the District Court of Taranaki, holden at Hawera.

In the matter of "The Bankruptcy Act, 1892"; and in the matter of the bankruptcy of DAVID NIMMO SCOTT and JOHN EDWARD MACKENZIE, of Hawera, carrying on business at Hawera as Booksellers, under the style or firm of "D. Nimmo Scott and Co."

NOTICE is hereby given that at the next sitting of this honourable Court to be holden at Hawera, on Wednesday, the 10th day of March, 1897, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon, at the Courthouse, Hawera, I, the above-named David Nimmo Scott, will make application for an order of discharge.

Dated at Hawera, this 8th day of February, 1897.
D. NIMMO SCOTT.

Witness—R. D. WELSH, Solicitor, Hawera.

In Bankruptcy.

NOTICE is hereby given that the under-mentioned dividends are now payable at my office, Wanganui, on all proved and admitted claims:—

Estate of Sarah Whale: First and final, of 2s. 9d. in the pound.

Estate of C. A. Whale: First and final, of 3s. 4d. in the pound.

JOHN NOTMAN,
Deputy Official Assignee.

Wanganui, 9th February, 1897.

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

NOTICE is hereby given that JOHN GETTES CAMPBELL, of Marton, Hotelkeeper, was this day adjudged bankrupt; and I hereby summon a meeting of creditors, to be holden at my office, on the 12th day of February, 1897, at 2 o'clock.

G. J. SCOTT,
Deputy Official Assignee.
Palmerston North, 5th February, 1897.

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

NOTICE is hereby given that EDWARD JACKMAN, of Awahuri, Farmer, was this day adjudged bankrupt; and I hereby summon a meeting of creditors, to be holden at my office, on Friday, the 19th day of February, 1897, at 2.30 o'clock.

JAMES ASHCROFT,
Official Assignee.
Wellington, 10th February, 1897.

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

NOTICE is hereby given that JOHN DAVIES, of Kaiapoi, Labourer, was this day adjudged bankrupt; and I hereby summon a meeting of creditors, to be holden at my office, on the 15th day of February, 1897, at 11 o'clock.

G. L. GREENWOOD,
Official Assignee.

Christchurch, 6th February, 1897.

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

NOTICE is hereby given that ROBERT MONCRIEFF CUTHBERTSON, of Ashburton, Solicitor, was this day adjudged bankrupt; and I hereby summon a meeting of creditors, to be holden at my office, on the 10th day of February, 1897, at 11.30 o'clock in the forenoon.

JOHN DAVISON,
Deputy Official Assignee.
4th February, 1897.

Mining Notices.**STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.**

Name of company: Phoenix Water-race Company (Registered).

When formed, and date of registration: 12th October, 1867.

Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.

Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: 3, High Street, Dunedin; John Mouat.

Nominal capital: £1,500.

Amount of capital subscribed: £1,500.

Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £1,500.

Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): The paid-up value of scrip issued to shareholders was equal to the capital subscribed by them—namely, £1,500; no paid-up scrip whatever was given to shareholders.

Number of shares into which capital is divided: 1,000.

Number of shares allotted: 1,000.

Amount paid per share: £1 10s.

Amount called up per share: The whole.

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: 34.

Present number of shareholders: 22.

Number of men employed by company: The company's property is leased, and it therefore does not directly employ any other person than the manager and an inspector.

Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preceding year: The company does not itself carry on mining for gold or silver, but merely supplies water for mining and other purposes.

Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration: No answer can be given to this for the reasons last above stated.

Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: The company's property being leased, the whole expenditure is made by the lessees, with the exception of the manager's salary, directors' fees, office expenses, and inspection of property, which altogether amount to about £25 a year.

Total expenditure since registration: The company, not being directly engaged in gold-mining, is unable to give any reply to this question other than that the whole of the company's capital was expended in the purchase of the company's property.

Total amount of dividends declared: £5,875.

Total amount of dividends paid: £5,850. A further sum of £75 has been paid in dividends since 31st December, 1896.

Amount of cash at banker's: £101 15s. 3d.

Amount of cash in hand: Nil.

Amount of debts directly due to company: There are no debts due to the company except the accruing rent of their property, of £225 a year, the next half-yearly payment of which falls due in July, 1897.

Amount of debts considered good: The whole of above.

Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): All liabilities of the company have been paid up to date.

I, John Mouat, of Dunedin, the Manager of the Phoenix Water-race Company (Registered), 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."

JOHN MOUAT,
Manager.

Declared at Dunedin, this 15th day of January, 1897,
before me—W. D. Milne, Solicitor, Dunedin.

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Blue Spur and Gabriel's Gully Consolidated Gold Company (Limited).
 When formed, and date of registration: 1st February, 1888.
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: London; Jasper Foster, Secretary.
 Nominal capital: £130,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £89,066.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £30,000.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): £30,000.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: £60,000.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 130,000.
 Number of shares allotted: 82,298 ordinary, 8,968 preference.
 Amount paid per share: £1 on 80,000 ordinary shares, £1 on 8,968 preference shares.
 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:
 Number of men employed by company: Average about 45.
 Quantity and value of gold produced during preceding year: 3,176oz.; £12,849.
 Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration: 22,393oz.; £87,127.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £6,904 7s. 8d.
 Total expenditure since registration: £114,413 16s. 9d.
 Total amount of dividends declared: £11,659, approximately.
 Total amount of dividends paid: £11,659, approximately.
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends:
 Amount of cash at banker's: £488 5s. 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):

I, John Howard Jackson, of Lawrence, the General Manager of the Blue Spur and Gabriel's Gully Consolidated Gold 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."

J. HOWARD JACKSON,
 General Manager.

Declared at Lawrence, this 26th day of January, 1897,
 before me—Chas. C. Rawlins, J.P. 338

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Clyde Dredging Company (Limited).
 When formed, and date of registration: 17th May, 1895.
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Dunedin; E. R. Smith, Secretary.
 Nominal capital: £4,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £3,850.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £3,840.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): £150; no cash.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: £150.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 80.
 Number of shares allotted: 80.
 Amount paid per share: £50 on 77 shares (less arrears).
 Amount called up per share: £50 on 77 shares.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: £10.
 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: 43.
 Number of men employed by company: 7.
 Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preceding year: 305oz. 11dwt. 5gr.; £1,175 17s. 1d.
 Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration: 305oz. 11dwt. 5gr.; £1,175 17s. 1d.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £868 18s. 10d.
 Total expenditure since registration: £5,285 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: 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; direct liabilities, approximately, £650.

I, E. R. Smith, of Dunedin, the Secretary of the Clyde 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."

E. R. SMITH,
 Secretary.

Declared at Dunedin, this 12th day of January, 1897,
 before me—John Angus, J.P. 340

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Sailors' Gully (Waitahuna) Gold-mining Company (Limited).
 When formed, and date of registration: 3rd June, 1896.
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Lawrence; Alfred Crooke, Secretary.
 Nominal capital: £2,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £1,807.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £3 10s.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): £1,800; nil.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: £1,800.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 2,000.
 Number of shares allotted: 1,807.
 Amount paid per share: 10s.
 Amount called up per share: 10s.
 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: 8.
 Number of men employed by company: 4.
 Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preceding year: 40oz. 19dwt. 3gr.; £157 13s. 5d.
 Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration: 40oz. 19dwt. 3gr.; £157 13s. 5d.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £643 8s.
 Total expenditure since registration: £643 8s.
 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): £120 10s.

I, Alfred Crooke, of Lawrence, in the Provincial District of Otago, in the Colony of New Zealand, the Secretary of the Sailors' Gully (Waitahuna) Gold-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."

ALFRED CROOKE,
 Secretary.

Declared at Lawrence, this 25th day of January, 1897,
 before me—Thos. Pilling, J.P. 384

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Argosy Gold-mining Company (No Liability).
 When formed, and date of registration: 7th October, 1895; 25th March, 1896.
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: 71, Queen Street, Auckland; Jesse King.
 Nominal capital: £10,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £8,750.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £291 13s. 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: Nil.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 80,000.

Number of shares allotted: 70,000.
 Amount paid per share: Nil.
 Amount called up per share: 1d.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: Nil.
 Number of shares forfeited: 450.
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: 450; £1 17s. 6d.
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 43.
 Present number of shareholders: 94.
 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: £663 6s. 7d.
 Total expenditure since registration: £951 6s. 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: £9 13s. 10d.
 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, Jesse King, of Auckland, the Manager of the Argosy 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."

JESSE KING,
 Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 30th day of January, 1897,
 before me—H. Rees George, J.P. 398

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Golden Band Gold-mining Company (No Liability).
 When formed, and date of registration: 25th September, 1896; 6th November, 1896.
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Mercantile Chambers, Queen Street, Auckland; John Hastie.
 Nominal capital: £6,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £5,250.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £468 15s.
 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: £1,000.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 80,000.
 Number of shares allotted: 70,000.
 Amount paid per share: 6d.
 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: 52.
 Present number of shareholders: 52.
 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: £197 19s. 4d.
 Total expenditure since registration: £197 19s. 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: £268 11s. 4d.
 Amount of cash in hand: £2 4s. 4d.
 Amount of debts directly due to company: £50.
 Amount of debts considered good: £50.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): Nil.

I, John Hastie, of Auckland, the Manager of the Golden Band Gold-mining Company (No Liability), do solemnly and sincerely declare that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, 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 be-

lieving the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

JOHN HASTIE,
 Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 21st day of January, 1897,
 before me—D. B. McDonald, J.P. 430

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Ourawera Gold-mining Company (Limited).
 When formed, and date of registration: 23rd May, 1895.
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Invercargill; Robert Erskine.
 Nominal capital: £2,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £1,600.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £1,600.
 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: 2,000.
 Number of shares allotted: 1,600.
 Amount paid per share: £1.
 Amount called up per share: £1.
 Number of shares forfeited: Nil.
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 12.
 Present number of shareholders: 14.
 Number of men employed by company: 11.
 Quantity and value of gold produced during preceding year: 486oz. 3dwt. 16gr.; £1,920 6s. 11d.
 Total quantity and value of gold produced since registration: 511oz. 15dwt. 4gr.; £2,021 19s. 4d.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £1,727 13s. 3d.
 Total expenditure since registration: £4,068 18s. 5d.
 Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.
 Amount of cash at banker's: Nil.
 Amount of cash in hand: Nil.
 Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.

I, Robert Erskine, of Invercargill, the Legal Manager of the Ourawera Gold-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. ERSKINE,
 Manager.

Declared at Invercargill, this 12th day of January, 1897,
 before me—W. H. Hall, J.P. 337

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Bakery Flat Sluicing Company (Limited).
 When formed, and date of registration: 10th September, 1896.
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Dunedin; A. J. C. Brown.
 Nominal capital: £3,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £2,000.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £650.
 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: £500.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 3,000.
 Number of shares allotted: 2,500.
 Amount paid per share: 6s. 6d.
 Amount called up per share, and due: 6s. 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: 24.
 Present number of shareholders: 25.
 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: £694 13s. 9d.
 Total expenditure since registration: £694 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 : £17 12s. 8d.
 Amount of cash in hand : £2 0s. 1d.
 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 Johnston Cree Brown, of Dunedin, the Secretary of the Bakery Flat 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."

A. JOHNSTON C. BROWN,
 Secretary.

Declared at Dunedin, this 23rd day of January, 1897,
 before me—Thos. M. Wilkinson, J.P. 341

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company : Seven Reefs Gold-mining Company (No Liability).
 When formed, and date of registration : 19th May, 1896 ; 3rd September, 1896.
 Whether in active operation or not : In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager : Herald Chambers, Tennyson Street, Napier ; Francis Crossley Fulton.
 Nominal capital : £8,250.
 Amount of capital subscribed : £2,750.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash : £1,000.
 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 : £1,750.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided : 55,000.
 Number of shares allotted : 55,000.
 Amount paid per share : 1s.
 Amount called up per share : 1d.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear : 38,167 ; £159 0s. 7d.
 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 : 37.
 Present number of shareholders : 42.
 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 : £548 17s.
 Total expenditure since registration : £548 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 : £21 14s. 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) : £27 7s. 1d.

I, Francis Crossley Fulton, of Napier, the Manager of the Seven 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."

F. C. FULTON,
 Manager.

Declared at Napier, this 29th day of January, 1897, before me—H. P. Cohen, J.P. 342

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company : Hauraki South Gold-mining Company (Limited).
 When formed, and date of registration : 11th June, 1896.
 Whether in active operation or not : In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Local Secretary : Legal Chambers, Auckland ; Wm. Clarke.
 Nominal capital : £90,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed : £75,000.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash : £10,000.
 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 :

Number of shares into which capital is divided : 90,000.
 Number of shares allotted : 75,000.
 Amount paid per share : £1.
 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 :
 Present number of shareholders :
 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 : £598 10s. 5d.
 Total expenditure since registration : £598 10s. 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 : £401 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, William Clarke, of Auckland, the Local Secretary of the Hauraki South 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,
 Local Secretary.

Declared at Auckland, this 27th day of January, 1897,
 before me—Frederick L. Prime, J.P. 354

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company : Golden Lead Mining Company (Limited).
 When formed, and date of registration : 18th September, 1890 ; 30th October, 1890.
 Whether in active operation or not : In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager : Reefton ; Thomas Hubert Lee.
 Nominal capital : £12,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed : £12,000.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash : £8,599 1s. 6d.
 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 per share : 7s. 3d.
 Amount called up per share : 7s. 3d.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear : — ; £100 18s. 6d.
 Number of shares forfeited during year : Nil.
 Number of forfeited shares sold during year, and money received for same : Nil.
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company : 69.
 Present number of shareholders : 38.
 Number of men employed by company : 4.
 Quantity and value of gold produced during preceding year : 46oz. 7dwt. 13gr. : £188 10s. 10d.
 Total quantity and value of gold produced since registration : 2,170oz. 2dwt. 15gr. ; £8,727 0s. 2d.
 Amount expended in carrying on operations during preceding year : £701 12s. 6d.
 Total expenditure since registration : £16,195 7s. 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 : Nil.
 Amount of cash in hand : £13 15s. 6d.
 Amount of debts directly due to company : £275 6s. 7d.
 Amount of debts considered good : £252 9s. 10d.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any) : £513 14s. 3d.

I, Thomas Hubert Lee, of Reefton, the Manager of the Golden Lead 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."

T. HUBERT LEE, Manager.

Declared at Reefton, this 30th day of January, 1897,
 before me—James Thorburn, J.P. 397

S STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Hercules Quartz-mining Company (Limited).
 When formed, and date of registration: 28th October, 1889; 22nd November, 1889.
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Reefton; Thomas Hubert Lee.
 Nominal capital: £24,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £24,000.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £7,197 1s. 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: 24,000.
 Number of shares allotted: 24,000.
 Amount paid per share: 6s.
 Amount called up per share: 6s.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: £2 18s. 4d.
 Number of shares forfeited during the year: Nil.
 Number of forfeited shares sold during year, and money received for same: Nil.
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 70.
 Present number of shareholders: 80.
 Number of men employed by company: 19.
 Quantity and value of gold produced during preceding year: 138oz. 19dwt. 17gr.; £556 3s. 6d.
 Total quantity and value of gold produced since registration: 3,410oz. 13dwt. 9gr.; £13,628 12s. 1d.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £2,363 7s. 7d.
 Total expenditure since registration (including dividends), £21,429 16s. 3d.
 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: £3 0s. 8d.
 Amount of debts directly due to company: £2 18s. 4d.
 Amount of debts considered good: £2 18s. 4d.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): £341 12s. 5d.

I, Thomas Hubert Lee, of Reefton, the Manager of the Hercules Quartz-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."

T. HUBERT LEE,
 Manager.

Declared at Reefton, this 30th day of January, 1897,
 before me—James Thorburn, J.P. 398

S STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Westralia and New Zealand Gold Explorers (Limited).
 Where formed, and date of registration: London; 1st January, 1896.
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Macetown, Otago; Walter John Stanford.
 Nominal capital: £52,501 15s.
 Amount of capital subscribed: All.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: 3d. per share.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): 3s. 3d.; 3d. per share.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: 3s. per share.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 210,007.
 Number of shares allotted: All.
 Amount paid per share: 3s. 3d.
 Amount called up per share: 3s. 3d.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: Not known.
 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: Not known.
 Present number of shareholders: Not known.
 Number of men employed by company: 25.
 Quantity and value of gold produced during preceding year: 200oz.; £783 16s. 2d.
 Total quantity and value of gold produced since registration: 200oz.; £783 16s. 2d.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £3,688 13s. 5d.

Total expenditure since registration: £3,688 13s. 5d.
 Amount of cash at banker's in New Zealand: £37 8s. 9d.
 Amount of cash in hand: Nil.
 Amount of debts directly due to company: £41 7s. 2d.
 Amount of debts considered good: £41 7s. 2d.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): £827 9s.

I, Walter John Stanford, of Macetown, the Legal Manager of the Westralia and New Zealand Gold Explorers (Limited), do solemnly and sincerely declare that, to the best of my knowledge, information, and belief, this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company on the 2nd day of January, 1897; and I make this solemn declaration believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

WALTER J. STANFORD,
 Manager.

Declared before me, at Macetown, this 20th day of January, 1897—W. T. Smith, J.P. 335

S STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Glenrock Consolidated (Limited).
 Where formed, and date of registration: London; 1st July, 1895.
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Macetown, Otago; Walter John Stanford.
 Nominal capital: £225,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed: 2s. per share on 450,000 shares, £45,000.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £22,500.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): £22,500.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: Nil.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 450,007 shares of 10s. each.
 Number of shares allotted: All.
 Amount paid per share: 9s.
 Amount called up per share: 9s.
 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: About 1,700.
 Present number of shareholders: Nearly 2,000.
 Number of men employed by company: 25.
 Quantity and value of gold produced during preceding year: 358oz. 16dwt.; £1,418 11s. 6d.
 Total quantity and value of gold produced since registration: 1,195oz.; £4,744 9s. 4d.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £4,045 16s. 6d.
 Total expenditure since registration: £9,362 13s. 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: £379 19s.
 Amount of cash in hand:
 Amount of debts directly due to company: £4 10s.
 Amount of debts considered good: £4 10s.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): £757 1s. 6d.

I, Walter John Stanford, of Macetown, the Legal Manager of the Glenrock Consolidated (Limited), do solemnly and sincerely declare that, to the best of my knowledge, information, and belief, this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company on the 2nd day of January, 1897; and I make this solemn declaration believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

WALTER J. STANFORD,
 Manager.

Declared before me, at Macetown, this 20th day of January, 1897—W. T. Smith, J.P. 336

S STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Elvira Gold-mining Company (No Liability).
 When formed, and date of registration: 11th September, 1896; 17th October, 1896.
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Bank of New Zealand Buildings, Auckland; William Elliot.
 Nominal capital: £10,000.

Amount of capital subscribed : £8,000.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash : £570.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any) : 7d. ; £570.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid : 7d.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided : 100,000.
 Number of shares allotted : 80,000.
 Amount paid per share : 7d.
 Amount called up per share : 7d.
 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 : 62.
 Present number of shareholders : 68.
 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 10s. 6d.
 Total expenditure since registration : £262 10s. 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 : £307 9s. 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) : £5 10s. 2d.

I, William Elliot, of Auckland, the Manager of the Elvira 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 ELLIOT,
 Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 18th day of January, 1897,
 before me—Joseph Thornes, J.P. 356

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company : King of Whangamata Gold-mining Company (No Liability).
 When formed, and date of registration : 5th August, 1896 ; 9th September, 1896.
 Whether in active operation or not : In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager : Bank of New Zealand Buildings, Auckland ; William Elliot.
 Nominal capital : £10,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed : £8,000.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash : £1,200.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any) : 7d. ; £1,200.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid : 7d.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided : 100,000.
 Number of shares allotted : 80,000.
 Amount paid per share : 7d.
 Amount called up per share : 7d.
 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 : 73.
 Present number of shareholders : 87.
 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 : £545 2s. 10d.
 Total expenditure since registration : £545 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 : £654 17s. 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) : £15 5s. 8d.

I, William Elliot, of Auckland, the Manager of the King of Whangamata 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 ELLIOT,
 Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 20th day of January, 1897,
 before me—Joseph Thornes, J.P. 366

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company : Pigmy Gold-mining Company (No Liability).
 When formed, and date of registration : 18th October, 1895 ; 21st November, 1895.
 Whether in active operation or not : In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager : Bank of New Zealand Buildings, Auckland ; William Elliot.
 Nominal capital : £13,500.
 Amount of capital subscribed : £10,500.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash : £1,350 8s. 4d.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any) : 8d. ; £1,350 8s. 4d.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid : 8d.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided : 90,000.
 Number of shares allotted : 72,200.
 Amount paid per share : 8d.
 Amount called up per share : 8d.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear : 1 ; 8s. 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 : 93.
 Present number of shareholders : 149.
 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 : £865 13s. 5d.
 Total expenditure since registration : £1,211 4s. 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 : No. 1 Account, £139 3s. 11d. ; No. 2 Account, £500.
 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) : £15 7s. 5d.

I, William Elliot, of Auckland, the Manager of the Pigmy 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 ELLIOT,
 Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 18th day of January, 1897,
 before me—Joseph Thornes, J.P. 364

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company : Bendigo Gold-mining Company (No Liability).
 When formed, and date of registration : 27th July, 1896 ; 21st August, 1896.
 Whether in active operation or not : In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager : Bank of New Zealand Buildings, Auckland ; William Elliot.
 Nominal capital : £9,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed : £8,000.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash : £1,200.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any) : 7d. ; £1,200.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid : 7d.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided : 90,000.
 Number of shares allotted : 80,000.
 Amount paid per share : 7d.
 Amount called up per share : 7d.

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: 70.
 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; £645 19s. 3d.
 Total expenditure since registration: £645 19s. 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: £554 0s. 9d.
 Amount of cash in hand:
 Amount of debts directly due to company:
 Amount of debts considered good:
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): £27 17s. 5d.

I, William Elliot, of Auckland, the Manager of the Bendigo 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 ELLIOT,
 Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 18th day of January, 1897,
 before me—Joseph Thornes, J.P. 359

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Monarch of All Gold-mining Company (No Liability).
 When formed, and date of registration: 22nd November, 1895; 17th January, 1896.
 Whether in active operation or not: Not in active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Bank of New Zealand Buildings, Auckland; William Elliot.
 Nominal capital: £10,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £8,562 10s.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £1,096 8s. 10d.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): 8d.; £1,096 8s. 10d.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: 8d.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 80,000.
 Number of shares allotted: 68,500.
 Amount paid per share: 8d.
 Amount called up per share: 8d.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: 17; £28 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: 69.
 Present number of shareholders: 140.
 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; £815 3s. 4d.
 Total expenditure since registration: £1,119 19s. 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: Nil.
 Amount of cash in hand: Nil.
 Amount of debts directly due to company: £28 19s. 6d.
 Amount of debts considered good: £28 19s. 6d.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): £13 2s.

I, William Elliot, of Auckland, the Manager of the Monarch of All 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 ELLIOT,
 Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 20th day of January, 1897,
 before me—Joseph Thornes, J.P. 371

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Atlas Gold-mining Company (No Liability).
 When formed, and date of registration: 7th July, 1896; 23rd July, 1896.
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Bank of New Zealand Buildings, Auckland; William Elliot.
 Nominal capital: £10,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £9,000.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £1,575.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): 1s.; £1,575.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: 1s.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 100,000.
 Number of shares allotted: 90,000.
 Amount paid per share: 1s.
 Amount called up per share: 1s.
 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: 30.
 Present number of shareholders: 96.
 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: £856 7s. 1d.
 Total expenditure since registration: £856 7s. 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: £718 12s. 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): £35 3s.

I, William Elliot, of Auckland, the Manager of the Atlas 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 ELLIOT,
 Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 18th day of January, 1897,
 before me—Joseph Thornes, J.P. 362

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Scandinavian Gold-mining Company (No Liability).
 When formed, and date of registration: 10th October, 1895; 21st November, 1895.
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Bank of New Zealand Buildings, Auckland; William Elliot.
 Nominal capital: £12,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £11,250.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £2,745 16s. 8d.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): 8d.; £2,745 16s. 8d.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: 8d.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 80,000.
 Number of shares allotted: 75,000.
 Amount paid per share: 8d.
 Amount called up per share: 8d.
 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: 61.
 Present number of shareholders: 168.
 Number of men employed by company: 3.
 Quantity and value of gold produced during preceding year: 52oz. 11dwt.; £129 1s.
 Total quantity and value of gold produced since registration: 52oz. 11dwt.; £129 1s.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £1,596 15s. 9d.

Total expenditure since registration : £2,777 5s. 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 : 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) :
 £21 14s. 4d.

I, William Elliot, of Auckland, the Manager of the Scandinavian 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 ELLIOT,
 Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 20th day of January, 1897,
 before me—Joseph Thornes, J.P. 369

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Rangatira Gold-mining Company (No Liability).
 When formed, and date of registration: 9th October, 1895; 5th November, 1895.
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: 110, Victoria Arcade, Auckland; William Jones Smith.
 Nominal capital: £15,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £13,575.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £708 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: 100,000.
 Number of shares allotted: 90,500.
 Amount paid per share: 2½d.
 Amount called up per share: 3½d.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: —; £15 19s. 11d.
 Number of shares forfeited: 17,198.
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: 17,198; £51 1s. 9d.
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 44.
 Present number of shareholders: 146.
 Number of men employed by company: 7.
 Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preceding year: £10.
 Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration: £10.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £799 9s. 4d.
 Total expenditure since registration: £1,106 13s.
 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: £33 17s. 9d.
 Amount of debts directly due to company: £60.
 Amount of debts considered good: £60.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): £100.

I, William Jones Smith, of Auckland, the Manager of the Rangatira 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."

W. J. SMITH,
 Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 18th day of January, 1897,
 before me—A. Goldwater, a Solicitor, &c., Auckland. 385

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Gem of Hauraki Gold-mining Company (No Liability).
 When formed, and date of registration: 6th August, 1896; 23rd September, 1896.
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: 110, Victoria Arcade, Auckland; William James Smith.
 Nominal capital: £5,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £3,950.
 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: 79,000.
 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: 78.
 Present number of shareholders: 85.
 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: £315 7s. 5d.
 Total expenditure since registration: £315 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: Nil.
 Amount of cash in hand: Nil.
 Amount of debts directly due to company: £115 11s.
 Amount of debts considered good: £115 11s.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): £10.

I, William James Smith, of Auckland, the Manager of the Gem of Hauraki 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."

W. J. SMITH,
 Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 18th day of January, 1897,
 before me—A. Goldwater, a Solicitor, &c. 386

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Merchant of Venice Gold-mining Company (No Liability).
 When formed, and date of registration: 12th October, 1896; 7th December, 1896.
 Whether in active operation or not: Not in active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: 110, Victoria Arcade, Auckland; William James Smith.
 Nominal capital: £6,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £3,625.
 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: 47,500.
 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: 28.
 Present number of shareholders: 29.
 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: £117 10s.
 Total expenditure since registration: £117 10s.
 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: £182 10s.
 Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.
 Amount of debts considered good: Nil.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): £10.

I, William James Smith, of Auckland, the Manager of the Merchant of Venice 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."

W. J. SMITH,
Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 18th day of January, 1897,
before me—A. Goldwater, a Solicitor, &c. 387

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Jubilee Gold-mining Company (Limited).
When formed, and date of registration: 22nd July, 1896;
16th September, 1896.
Whether in active operation or not: Not in active operation.
Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager:
Bank of New Zealand Buildings, Queen Street, Auckland;
Charles Grosvenor.
Nominal capital: £1,000.
Amount of capital subscribed: £1,000.
Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £166 13s. 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: Nil.
Number of shares into which capital is divided: 40,000.
Number of shares allotted: 40,000.
Amount paid per share: 1d.
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:
20.
Present number of shareholders: 21.
Number of men employed by company: Nil.
Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during pre-
ceding 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: £21.
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 4s. 2d.
Amount of cash in hand: £36 9s. 2d.
Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.
Amount of debts considered good: Nil.
Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): £52
1s. 6d.

I, Charles Grosvenor, of Auckland, the Manager of the
Jubilee 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 Decem-
ber, 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."

CHARLES GROSVENOR,
Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 28th day of January, 1897,
before me—H. G. Seth-Smith, J.P. 391

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Morion-Puru Gold-mining Company (No
Liability).
When formed, and date of registration: 4th August, 1896;
20th October, 1896.
Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager:
Bank of New Zealand Buildings, Queen Street, Auckland;
Charles Grosvenor.
Nominal capital: £15,000.
Amount of capital subscribed: £12,562 10s.
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: 86,000.
Amount paid per share: Nil.
Amount called up per share: Nil.
Number and amount of calls in arrear: Nil.
Number of shares forfeited: 2,250.

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Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for
same: Nil.

Number of shareholders at time of registration of company:
63.
Present number of shareholders: 64.
Number of men employed by company: 4.
Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preced-
ing 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: £1,233 11s. 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: £353 18s. 3d.
Amount of cash in hand: £100.
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 Grosvenor, of Auckland, the Manager of the
Morion-Puru 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."

CHARLES GROSVENOR,
Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 28th day of January, 1897,
before me—H. G. Seth-Smith, J.P. 392

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Brilliant Gold-mining Company (No
Liability).
When formed, and date of registration: 16th March, 1896;
22nd July, 1896.
Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager:
Bank of New Zealand Buildings, Queen Street, Auckland;
Charles Grosvenor.
Nominal capital: £6,000.
Amount of capital subscribed: £5,175.
Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £55 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: 40,000.
Number of shares allotted: 34,500.
Amount paid per share: $\frac{5}{2}$ d. (approximately).
Amount called up per share: 1d.
Number and amount of calls in arrear: 45; £88 1s.
Number of shares forfeited: 1,000.
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: 64.
Number of men employed by company: 4.
Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preced-
ing 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: £662 14s. 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: Nil.
Amount of cash in hand: £6 5s.
Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.
Amount of debts considered good: Nil.
Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any):
£89 6s. 1d.

I, Charles Grosvenor, of Auckland, the Manager of the
Brilliant Gold-mining Company (No Liability), do solemnly
and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete state-
ment of the affairs of the said company at the 31st day of
December, 1896; and I make this solemn declaration con-
scientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of
"The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

CHARLES GROSVENOR,
Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 28th day of January, 1897
before me—H. G. Seth-Smith, J.P. 388

S STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Byron Bay Gold-mining Company (No Liability).
 When formed, and date of registration: 27th September, 1895; 21st October, 1895.
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Bank of New Zealand Buildings, Queen Street, Auckland; Charles Grosvenor.
 Nominal capital: Original, £17,500; increase, 4th May, 1896, £12,500: total, £30,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £25,500.
 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: 120,000.
 Number of shares allotted: 102,000.
 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: 64.
 Present number of shareholders: 268.
 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: £628 17s. 10d.
 Total expenditure since registration: £1,958 12s. 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: £305 12s. 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, Charles Grosvenor, of Auckland, the Manager of the Byron Bay 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."

CHARLES GROSVENOR,
 Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 28th day of January, 1897,
 before me—H. G. Seth-Smith, J.P. 389

S STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Empire Gold-mining Company (No Liability).
 When formed, and date of registration: 25th October, 1895; 18th January, 1896.
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Bank of New Zealand Buildings, Queen Street, Auckland; Charles Grosvenor.
 Nominal capital: £7,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £5,600.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £392 4s.
 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: 56,000.
 Amount paid per share: 1½d. (approximate).
 Amount called up per share: 2d.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: 16; £36 19s. 4d.
 Number of shares forfeited: 13,372.
 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: 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: Nil.
 Total expenditure since registration: £802 6s. 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: 12s. 9d.
 Amount of cash in hand: £1 14s. 6d.
 Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.
 Amount of debts considered good: Nil.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): £48 16s. 4d.

I, Charles Grosvenor, of Auckland, the Manager of the 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."

CHARLES GROSVENOR,
 Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 28th day of January, 1897,
 before me—H. G. Seth-Smith, J.P. 390

S STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Moonlight Sluicing Company (Limited).
 When formed, and date of registration: 27th April, 1894; 14th May, 1894.
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Dunedin; Thomas Callender.
 Nominal capital: £2,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £2,000.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £1,352 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: £450.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 2,000.
 Number of shares allotted: 2,000.
 Amount paid per share: 17s 6d., less arrears.
 Amount called up per share: 17s. 6d.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: £3 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: 7.
 Present number of shareholders: 24.
 Number of men employed by company: 3.
 Quantity and value of gold produced during preceding year: 172oz. 8dwt. 14gr.; £664 0s. 6d.
 Total quantity and value of gold produced since registration: 268oz. 15dwt. 19gr.; £1,035 0s. 4d.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £520 16s. 7d.
 Total expenditure since registration: £2,425 11s.
 Total amount of dividends declared: £100.
 Total amount of dividends paid: £100.
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.
 Amount of cash at banker's: £165 16s. 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, Thomas Callender, of Dunedin, the Legal Manager of the Moonlight Sluicing 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."

THOMAS CALLENDER,
 Manager.

Declared at Dunedin, this 21st day of January, 1897,
 before me—A. Bartleman, J.P. 392

S STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Matakiki Gold-dredging Company (Limited).
 When formed, and date of registration: 27th June, 1892; 7th July, 1892.
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Dunedin; Thomas Callender.
 Nominal capital: £2,000.

Amount of capital subscribed : £2,000.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash : £1,848 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 : Nil.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided : 2,000.
 Number of shares allotted : 2,000.
 Amount paid per share : 19s. on 1,455 shares, and 18s. on 545 shares (less arrears).
 Amount called up per share : 19s. on 1,455 shares, and 18s. on 545 shares.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear : £24 10s.
 Number of shares forfeited : 44.
 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 : 42.
 Number of men employed by company : 10.
 Quantity and value of gold produced during preceding year : 369oz. 1dwt. 10gr. ; £1,435 7s. 10d.
 Total quantity and value of gold produced since registration : 2,083oz. 14dwt. 21gr. ; £8,068 1s. 10d.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year : £2,025 10s. 2d.
 Total expenditure since registration : £9,499 15s. 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 : £122 19s.
 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 Callender, of Dunedin, the Legal Manager of the Matakaitaki 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."

THOMAS CALLENDER,
 Manager.

Declared at Dunedin, this 21st day of January, 1897,
 before me—A. Bartleman, J.P. 333

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company : Sew Hoy Big Beach Gold-mining Company (Limited).
 When formed, and date of registration : 3rd September, 1889; 9th December, 1889.
 Whether in active operation or not : In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager : Dunedin; Thomas Callender.
 Nominal capital : £87,750.
 Amount of capital subscribed : £87,750.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash : £8,775.
 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 : £72,000.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided : 54,000.
 Number of shares allotted : 54,000.
 Amount paid per share : £1 10s.
 Amount called up per share : £1 10s.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear : Nil.
 Number of shares forfeited : 225.
 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 : 177.
 Number of men employed by company : 24.
 Quantity and value of gold produced during preceding year : 2,308oz. 12dwt. 21gr. ; £9,015 3s. 8d.
 Total quantity and value of gold produced since registration : 20,822oz. 5dwt. 15gr. ; £80,377 9s. 9d.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year : £8,310 19s. 9d.
 Total expenditure since registration : £63,607 13s. 1d.
 Total amount of dividends declared : £16,138 2s. 6d.
 Total amount of dividends paid : £16,138 2s. 6d.
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends : Nil.
 Amount of cash at banker's : £114 0s. 3d.
 Amount of cash in hand : Nil.
 Amount of debts directly due to company : £32 17s. 8d.
 Amount of debts considered good : £32 17s. 8d.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any) : Nil.

I, Thomas Callender, of Dunedin, the Legal Manager of the Sew Hoy Big Beach 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."

THOMAS CALLENDER,
 Manager.

Declared at Dunedin, this 21st day of January, 1897,
 before me—A. Bartleman, J.P. 334

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company : Amalgamated Waipori Deep Lead Gold-mining Company (Limited).
 When formed, and date of registration : 20th December, 1889.
 Whether in active operation or not : In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Secretary : Dunedin; Andrew Hamilton.
 Nominal capital : £12,500.
 Amount of capital subscribed : £12,050.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash : £5,616 1s.
 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 : £6,150.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided : 12,500.
 Number of shares allotted : 12,050.
 Amount paid per share : £1 on 5,900 shares.
 Amount called up per share : £1 on 5,900 shares.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear : Nil.
 Number of shares forfeited : 713.
 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 : 102.
 Number of men employed by company : 12.
 Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preceding year : 297oz. 16dwt. 12gr. ; £1,150 3s. 10d.
 Total quantity and value of gold produced since registration : 2,598oz. 13dwt. 11gr. ; £10,001 15s. 7d.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year : £1,307 19s. 5d.
 Total expenditure since registration : £10,235 19s. 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 : Nil.
 Amount of cash in hand : Nil.
 Amount of debts directly due to company : £9 13s. 6d.
 Amount of debts considered good : £9 13s. 6d.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any) : Nil.

I, Andrew Hamilton, of Dunedin, the Secretary of the Amalgamated Waipori Deep Lead 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."

AND. HAMILTON,
 Secretary.

Declared at Dunedin, this 25th day of January, 1897, before me—Fredk. Mallard, J.P. 380

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company : Dunedin Gold-dredging Company (Limited).
 When formed, and date of registration : 1st September, 1881.
 Whether in active operation or not : In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Secretary : Dunedin; Andrew Hamilton.
 Nominal capital : £8,700.
 Amount of capital subscribed : £8,700.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash : £7,540.
 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 : 8,700.
 Number of shares allotted : 8,700.
 Amount paid per share : 17s. 4d.
 Amount called up per share : 17s. 4d.
 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 : 22.
 Present number of shareholders : 70.
 Number of men employed by company : 9.
 Quantity and value of gold produced during preceding year : 296oz. 14dwt. 11gr. ; £1,136 19s.
 Total quantity and value of gold produced since registration : 14,806oz. 14dwt. 11gr. ; £57,001 0s. 8d.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year : £1,668 10s. 9d.
 Total expenditure since registration : £42,616 11s. 11d.
 Total amount of dividends declared : £14,835.
 Total amount of dividends paid : £14,835.
 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, Andrew Hamilton, of Dunedin, the Secretary of the Dunedin 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."

AND. HAMILTON,
 Secretary

Declared at Dunedin, this 28th day of January, 1897, before me—A. J. Burns, J.P. 381

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company : Edina Gold-dredging Company (Limited).
 When formed, and date of registration : 10th July, 1893.
 Whether in active operation or not : In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Secretary : Dunedin ; Andrew Hamilton.
 Nominal capital : £2,500.
 Amount of capital subscribed : £2,500.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash : £1,900.
 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 : £600.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided : 5,000.
 Number of shares allotted : 5,000.
 Amount paid per share : 10s.
 Amount called up per share : 10s.
 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 : 17.
 Present number of shareholders : 9.
 Number of men employed by company : 9.
 Quantity and value of gold produced during preceding year : 507oz. 12dwt. 2gr. ; £1,951 12s. 10d.
 Total quantity and value of gold produced since registration : 1,196oz. 1dwt. 5gr. ; £4,573 15s. 4d.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year : £2,028 11s. 5d.
 Total expenditure since registration : £5,365 12s.
 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, Andrew Hamilton, of Dunedin, the Secretary of the Edina 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."

AND. HAMILTON,
 Secretary.

Declared at Dunedin, this 28th day of January, 1897, before me—A. J. Burns, J.P. 382

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company : Teviot Gold-mining and Sluicing Company (Limited).
 When formed, and date of registration : 4th February, 1895.
 Whether in active operation or not : Not in active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Secretary : Dunedin ; Andrew Hamilton.
 Nominal capital : £1,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed : £875.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash : £875.
 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 : 2,000.
 Number of shares allotted : 1,750.
 Amount paid per share : 10s.
 Amount called up per share : 10s.
 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 : 12.
 Present number of shareholders : 12.
 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 : £1,156 8s. 4d.
 Total expenditure since registration : £1,468 3s. 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 : Nil.
 Amount of debts considered good : Nil.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any) : Nil.

I, Andrew Hamilton, of Dunedin, the Secretary of the Teviot Gold-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."

AND. HAMILTON,
 Secretary.

Declared at Dunedin, this 28th day of January, 1897, before me—A. J. Burns, J.P. 383

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company : Union-Waihi Gold-mining Company (Limited).
 When formed, and date of registration : 18th September, 1895.
 Whether in active operation or not : In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager : Waihi ; Robert Rose, Shortland Street, Auckland.
 Nominal capital : £200,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed : £141,250.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash : £26,302 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 : £100,000.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided : 200,000.
 Number of shares allotted : 140,000.
 Amount paid per share : £1 on 113,855 shares ; 10s. on 27,395 shares.
 Amount called up per share : £1 on 113,855 shares ; 10s. on 27,395 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 : Unknown in the colony.
 Number of men employed by company : About 40.
 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 : £8,152.

Total expenditure since registration: £8,605.
 Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.
 Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.
 Amount of cash at banker's: Unknown in the colony.
 Amount of cash in hand: Unknown in the colony.
 Amount of debts directly due to company: Unknown in the colony.
 Amount of debts considered good: Unknown in the colony.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): Unknown in the colony.

I, Robert Rose, of Auckland, the Manager of the Union-Waihi Gold-mining Company (Limited), do solemnly and sincerely declare that to the best of my knowledge and belief 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."

ROBERT ROSE,
 Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 4th day of February, 1897,
 before me—S. Thorne George, J.P. 431

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Ohinemuri Syndicate (Limited).
 When formed, and date of registration: 24th December, 1895.
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Waitekauri; Robert Rose, Shortland Street, Auckland.
 Nominal capital: £60,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £42,000.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £6,000.
 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:
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 60,000.
 Number of shares allotted: 42,000.
 Amount paid per share: £1.
 Amount called up per share: £1.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: Nil.
 Number of shares forfeited: Nil.
 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: Unknown in the colony.
 Number of men employed by company: About 20.
 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: £4,347.
 Total expenditure since registration: £4,347.
 Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.
 Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.
 Amount of cash at banker's: Unknown in the colony.
 Amount of cash in hand: Unknown in the colony.
 Amount of debts directly due to company: Unknown in the colony.
 Amount of debts considered good: Unknown in the colony.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): Unknown in the colony.

I, Robert Rose, of Auckland, the Manager of the Ohinemuri Syndicate (Limited), do solemnly and sincerely declare that to the best of my knowledge and belief 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."

ROBERT ROSE,
 Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 4th day of February, 1897,
 before me—S. Thorne George, J.P. 432

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Waihi Gold-mining Company (Limited).
 When formed, and date of registration: 7th December, 1887.
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Waihi; Robert Rose, Shortland Street, Auckland.
 Nominal capital: £160,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £160,000.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £106,667.

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: £53,333.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 160,000.
 Number of shares allotted: 160,000.
 Amount paid per share: £1.
 Amount called up per share: £1.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: Nil.
 Number of shares forfeited: Nil.
 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: Unknown in the colony.
 Number of men employed by company: About 350.
 Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preceding year: £136,482.
 Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration: £491,461.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £100,500.
 Total expenditure since registration: £442,500.
 Total amount of dividends declared: £180,500.
 Total amount of dividends paid: Unknown in the colony.
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Unknown in the colony.
 Amount of cash at banker's: Unknown in the colony.
 Amount of cash in hand: Unknown in the colony.
 Amount of debts directly due to company: Unknown in the colony.
 Amount of debts considered good: Unknown in the colony.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): Unknown in the colony.

I, Robert Rose, of Auckland, the Manager of the Waihi Gold-mining Company (Limited), do solemnly and sincerely declare that to the best of my knowledge and belief 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."

ROBERT ROSE,
 Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 4th day of February, 1897,
 before me—S. Thorne George, J.P. 433

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Waitekauri Gold-mining Company (Limited).
 When formed, and date of registration: 6th May, 1895.
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Waitekauri; Robert Rose, Shortland Street, Auckland.
 Nominal capital: £150,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £143,000.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £100,000.
 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: £36,000.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 150,000.
 Number of shares allotted: 143,000.
 Amount paid per share: £1.
 Amount called up per share: £1.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: Nil.
 Number of shares forfeited: Nil.
 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: Unknown in the colony.
 Number of men employed by company: About 400.
 Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preceding year: £22,045.
 Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration: £33,261.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £66,406.
 Total expenditure since registration: £82,481.
 Total amount of dividends declared: £7,150.
 Total amount of dividends paid: Unknown in the colony.
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Unknown in the colony.
 Amount of cash at banker's: Unknown in the colony.
 Amount of cash in hand: Unknown in the colony.
 Amount of debts directly due to company: Unknown in the colony.
 Amount of debts considered good: Unknown in the colony.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): Unknown in the colony.

I, Robert Rose, of Auckland, the Manager of the Waitekauri Gold-mining Company (Limited), do solemnly and sincerely declare that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, 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."

ROBERT ROSE,
Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 4th day of February, 1897,
before me—S. Thorne George, J.P. 434

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Wynyardton Gold-mining Company (No Liability).
When formed, and date of registration: 22nd October, 1895; 14th November, 1895.
Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Hobson's Buildings, Auckland; John Hunter Harrison.
Nominal capital: £10,500.
Amount of capital subscribed: £10,500.
Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £1,879 1s. 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: £2,100.
Number of shares into which capital is divided: 70,000.
Number of shares allotted: 70,000.
Amount paid per share: 6'4d.
Amount called up per share: 4d.
Number and amount of calls in arrear: 19; £55 6s. 4d.
Number of shares forfeited: 13,276.
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: 118.
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: £1,673 4s. 5d.
Total expenditure since registration: £1,859 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: £15 17s. 9d.
Amount of cash in hand: £4 1s. 11d.
Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.
Amount of debts considered good: Nil.
Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): £60.

I, John Hunter Harrison, of Auckland, the Manager of the Wynyardton 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."

J. H. HARRISON,
Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 19th day of January, 1897,
before me—H. Rees George, J.P. 450

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Invicta North Gold-mining Company (No Liability).
When formed, and date of registration: 26th 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; John Hunter Harrison.
Nominal capital: £6,500.
Amount of capital subscribed: £6,500.
Amount of capital actually paid up 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: Nil.
Number of shares into which capital is divided: 65,000.
Number of shares allotted: 65,000.
Amount paid per share: 2'7d.
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: 152.
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: £272 9s. 4d.
Total expenditure since registration: £610 0s. 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: £139 19s. 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): £35.

I, John Hunter Harrison, of Auckland, the Manager of the Invicta North 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."

J. H. HARRISON,
Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 19th day of January, 1897,
before me—H. Rees George, J.P. 451

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Star of Waihi Gold-mining Company (No Liability).
When formed, and date of registration: 11th September, 1896; 16th October, 1896.
Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Hobson's Buildings, Auckland; John Hunter Harrison.
Nominal capital: £7,500.
Amount of capital subscribed: £6,000.
Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £900.
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 per share: 2'7d.
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: 120.
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: £452 11s. 1d.
Total expenditure since registration: £614 12s.
Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.
Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.
Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.
Amount of cash at banker's: £285 8s.
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, John Hunter Harrison, of Auckland, the Manager of the Star of 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."

J. H. HARRISON,
Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 19th day of January, 1897,
before me—H. Rees George, J.P. 452

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Harp of Tara Gold-mining Company (No Liability).
 When formed, and date of registration: 15th July, 1896; 6th August, 1896.
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Hobson's Buildings, Auckland; John Hunter Harrison.
 Nominal capital: £7,500.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £6,262 10s.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £569 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: 100,000.
 Number of shares allotted: 83,500.
 Amount paid per share: 1'6d.
 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: 58.
 Present number of shareholders: 193.
 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: £107 17s. 10d.
 Total expenditure since registration: £107 17s. 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: £461 12s. 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, John Hunter Harrison, of Auckland, the Manager of the Harp of Tara 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."

J. H. HARRISON,
 Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 19th day of January, 1897, before me—H. Rees George, J.P. 457

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Harbour View Gold-mining Company (No Liability).
 When formed, and date of registration: 7th June, 1895; 27th June, 1895.
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Hobson's Buildings, Auckland; John Hunter Harrison.
 Nominal capital: £8,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £8,000.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £1,291 17s. 6d.
 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: 3'87d.
 Amount called up per share: 1d.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: 61; £14 9s. 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: 51.
 Present number of shareholders: 267.
 Number of men employed by company: Nil.
 Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preceding year: 1oz. 10dwt.: £4 9s. 4d.
 Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration: 1oz. 10dwt.; £4 9s. 4d.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £272 10s. 6d.
 Total expenditure since registration: £1,054 17s. 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: £466 1s.
 Amount of cash in hand: 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, John Hunter Harrison, of Auckland, the Manager of the Harbour View 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."

J. H. HARRISON,
 Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 19th day of January, 1897, before me—H. Rees George, J.P. 456

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Hit or Miss Gold-mining Company (Limited).
 When formed, and date of registration: 10th June, 1895; 13th June, 1895.
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Hobson's Buildings, Auckland; John Hunter Harrison.
 Nominal capital: £15,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £10,000.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £166 13s. 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: Nil.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 60,000.
 Number of shares allotted: 40,000.
 Amount paid per share: 1d.
 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: 6.
 Present number of shareholders: 48.
 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: £249 14s. 7d.
 Total expenditure since registration: £370 2s. 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: £17 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): £98 14s. 9d.

I, John Hunter Harrison, of Auckland, the Manager of the Hit or Miss Gold-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."

J. H. HARRISON,
 Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 19th day of January, 1897, before me—H. Rees George, J.P. 458

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Martha Extended Gold-mining Company (No Liability).
 When formed, and date of registration: 13th September, 1895; 26th February, 1896.
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Hobson's Buildings, Auckland; John Hunter Harrison.
 Nominal capital: £10,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £9,000.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £1,683.
 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: 4'4d.
 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: 76.
 Present number of shareholders: 82.
 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: £1,089 7s. 6d.
 Total expenditure since registration: £1,089 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: £593 12s. 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): £45 9s.

I, John Hunter Harrison, of Auckland, the Manager of the Martha Extended 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."

J. H. HARRISON, Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 19th day of January, 1897,
 before me—H. Rees George, J.P. 459

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Britannia Gold-mining Company (No Liability).
 When formed, and date of registration: 12th August, 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; John Hunter Harrison.
 Nominal capital: £8,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £8,000.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £1,853 19s. 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: 5'5d.
 Amount called up per share: 2d.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: 1; 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: 30.
 Present number of shareholders: 119.
 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: £1,275 12s.
 Total expenditure since registration: £2,293 10s.
 Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.
 Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.
 Amount of cash at banker's: £755 9s. 2d.
 Amount of cash in hand: Nil.
 Amount of debts directly due to company: £900.
 Amount of debts considered good: £900.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): Nil.

I, John Hunter Harrison, of Auckland, the Manager of the Britannia 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."

J. H. HARRISON, Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 19th day of January, 1897,
 before me—H. Rees George, J.P. 460

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Prince Regent Gold-mining Company (No Liability).
 When formed, and date of registration: 5th August, 1896; 8th September, 1896.
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Hobson's Buildings, Auckland; John Hunter Harrison.
 Nominal capital: £7,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £6,800.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £665.
 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: 68,000.
 Amount paid per share: 2'3d.
 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: 63.
 Present number of shareholders: 69.
 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: £404 19s. 3d.
 Total expenditure since registration: £404 19s. 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: £260 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, John Hunter Harrison, of Auckland, the Manager of the Prince Regent 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."

J. H. HARRISON,

Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 19th day of January, 1897,
 before me—H. Rees George, J.P. 461

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: My Sweetheart Gold-mining Company (No Liability).
 When formed, and date of registration: 16th June, 1896; 16th July, 1896.
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Hobson's Buildings, Auckland; John Hunter Harrison.
 Nominal capital: £15,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £12,500.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £1,000.
 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: 120,000.
 Number of shares allotted: 100,000.
 Amount paid per share: 2'4d.
 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: 54.
 Present number of shareholders: 85.
 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: £474 12s. 5d.
 Total expenditure since registration: £474 12s. 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: £525 7s. 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, John Hunter Harrison, of Auckland, the Manager of My Sweetheart 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."

J. H. HARRISON,
 Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 19th day of January, 1897,
 before me—H. Rees George, J.P. 462

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: North Gold-mining Company (No Liability).
 When formed, and date of registration: 2nd August, 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; John Hunter Harrison.
 Nominal capital: £8,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £7,000.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £1,009 3s. 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: Nil.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 80,000.
 Number of shares allotted: 70,000.
 Amount paid per share: 3 4d.
 Amount called up per share: 1d.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: 20; £32 10s.
 Number of shares forfeited: 7,800.
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for
 same: Nil.
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company:
 30.
 Present number of shareholders: 100.
 Number of men employed by company: Nil.
 Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during pre-
 ceding 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 7s. 2d.
 Total expenditure since registration: £797 6s. 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: £436 12s. 9d.
 Amount of cash in hand: 4s. 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, John Hunter Harrison, of Auckland, the Manager of the North 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."

J. H. HARRISON,
 Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 19th day of January, 1897,
 before me—H. Rees George, J.P. 463

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Southern Cross Gold-mining Company
 (No Liability).
 When formed, and date of registration: 5th August, 1896;
 18th September, 1896.
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager:
 Hobson's Buildings, Auckland; John Hunter Harrison.
 Nominal capital: £9,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £8,000.
 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: Nil.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 90,000.
 Number of shares allotted: 80,000.

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Amount paid per share: 3-1d.
 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: 62.
 Number of men employed by company: 7.
 Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during prece-
 ding 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: £391 16s. 3d.
 Total expenditure since registration: £391 16s. 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: £658 3s. 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, John Hunter Harrison, of Auckland, the Manager of the Southern Cross 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."

J. H. HARRISON,
 Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 19th day of January, 1897,
 before me—H. Rees George, J.P. 464

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Napier Gold-mining Company (No Liability).
 When formed, and date of registration: 17th October, 1895;
 7th November, 1895.
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager:
 4, Hobson's Buildings, Auckland; John Hunter Harrison.
 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: 80,000.
 Number of shares allotted: 80,000.
 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:
 49.
 Present number of shareholders: 61.
 Number of men employed by company: 7.
 Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during pre-
 ceding 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: £318 0s. 5d.
 Total expenditure since registration: £318 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: £681 19s. 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, John Hunter Harrison, of Auckland, the Manager of the Napier 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."

J. H. HARRISON, Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 21st day of January, 1897,
 before me—H. Rees George, J.P. 458

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Caspian Gold-mining Company (No Liability).
 When formed, and date of registration: 16th September, 1896; 21st October, 1896.
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Hobson's Buildings, Auckland; John Hunter Harrison.
 Nominal capital: £8,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £8,000.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £520.
 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: 1-5d.
 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: 40.
 Present number of shareholders: 52.
 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: £179 12s. 4d.
 Total expenditure since registration: £179 12s. 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: £340 7s. 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, John Hunter Harrison, of Auckland, the Manager of the Caspian 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."

J. H. HARRISON,
 Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 19th day of January, 1897, before me—H. Rees George, J.P. 454

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Prospect Gold-mining Company (No Liability).
 When formed, and date of registration: 16th October, 1896; 15th December, 1896.
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Hobson's Buildings, Auckland; John Hunter Harrison.
 Nominal capital: £18,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £18,000.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £1,318 19s. 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: 120,000.
 Number of shares allotted: 120,000.
 Amount paid per share: 2-6d.
 Amount called up per share: 1d.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: 21; £93 10s. 10d.
 Number of shares forfeited: 22,450.
 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: 128.
 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: £1,058 11s.
 Total expenditure since registration: £1,132 14s. 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: £185 7s. 10d.
 Amount of cash in hand: 16s. 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, John Hunter Harrison, of Auckland, the Manager of the Prospect 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."

J. H. HARRISON,
 Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 19th day of January, 1897, before me—H. Rees George, J.P. 455

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Rangipuhi Gold-mining Company (No Liability).
 When formed, and date of registration; 3rd August, 1896; 18th September, 1896.
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: 4, Hobson's Buildings, Auckland; John Hunter Harrison.
 Nominal capital: £4,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £3,000.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £240.
 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: 0-96d.
 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: 26.
 Present number of shareholders: 29.
 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: £158 13s.
 Total expenditure since registration: £158 13s.
 Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.
 Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.
 Amount of cash at banker's: £31 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, John Hunter Harrison, of Auckland, the Manager of the Rangipuhi 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."

J. H. HARRISON,
 Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 19th day of January, 1897, before me—H. Rees George, J.P. 376

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: A. J. C. Gold-mining Company (No Liability).
 When formed, and date of registration: 4th July, 1896; 17th October, 1896.
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: 4, Hobson's Buildings, Auckland; John Hunter Harrison.
 Nominal capital: £6,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £6,000.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £390.
 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: 1.17d.
 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: 30.
 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: £187 1s.
 Total expenditure since registration: £187 1s.
 Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.
 Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.
 Amount of cash at banker's: £202 19s.
 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, John Hunter Harrison, of Auckland, the Manager of the A. J. C. 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."

J. H. HARRISON,
 Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 19th day of January, 1897,
 before me—H. Rees George, J.P. 377

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Goodenough Gold-mining Company (No Liability).
 When formed, and date of registration: 3rd August, 1896; 8th October, 1896.
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: 4, Hobson's Buildings, Auckland; John Hunter Harrison.
 Nominal capital: £6,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £5,550.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £360.
 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: 74,000.
 Amount paid per share: 1.16d.
 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: 54.
 Present number of shareholders: 58.
 Number of men employed by company: 2.
 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: £60 19s. 10d.
 Total expenditure since registration: £60 19s. 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: £299 0s. 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, John Hunter Harrison, of Auckland, the Manager of the Goodenough 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."

J. H. HARRISON,
 Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 19th day of January, 1897,
 before me—H. Rees George, J.P. 378

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Buffalo Gold-mining Company (No Liability).
 When formed, and date of registration: 10th July, 1895; 2nd August, 1895.
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: No. 4, Hobson's Buildings, Auckland: John Hunter Harrison.
 Nominal capital: £10,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £10,000.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £1,490 4s. 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: 80,000.
 Number of shares allotted: 80,000.
 Amount paid per share: 4.4d.
 Amount called up per share: 1d.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: 13; £43 2s. 7d.
 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: 174.
 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: £751 17s. 4d.
 Total expenditure since registration: £1,361 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: £128 18s. 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, John Hunter Harrison, of Auckland, the Manager of the Buffalo 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."

J. H. HARRISON,
 Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 19th day of January, 1897,
 before me—H. Rees George, J.P. 378

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Matawai Gold-mining Company (No Liability).
 When formed, and date of registration: 27th June, 1895; 12th September, 1895.
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: No. 4, Hobson's Buildings, Auckland: John Hunter Harrison.
 Nominal capital: £6,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £6,000.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £871 6s. 9d.
 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: 3.4d.
 Amount called up per share: 1d.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: 32; £117 10s.
 Number of shares forfeited: 28,200.
 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 : 84.
 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 : £539 Os. 7d.
 Total expenditure since registration : £810 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 : £60 8s. 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, John Hunter Harrison, of Auckland, the Manager of the Matawai 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."

J. H. HARRISON,
 Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 19th day of January, 1897,
 before me—H. Rees George, J.P. 374

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company : Look-out Gold-mining Company (No Liability).
 When formed, and date of registration : 27th July, 1896; 22nd August, 1896.
 Whether in active operation or not : In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager : No. 4, Hobson's Buildings, Auckland; John Hunter Harrison.
 Nominal capital : £4,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed : £3,000.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash : £220.
 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 : 0'88d.
 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 : 31.
 Present number of shareholders : 36.
 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 : £172 6s. 3d.
 Total expenditure since registration : £172 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 : £47 13s. 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, John Hunter Harrison, of Auckland, the Manager of the Look-out 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."

J. H. HARRISON,
 Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 19th day of January, 1897,
 before me—H. Rees George, J.P. 375

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company : Nil Desperandum Gold-mining Company (No Liability).
 When formed, and date of registration : 30th August, 1895; 20th September, 1895.
 Whether in active operation or not : In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager : No. 4, Hobson's Buildings, Auckland; John Hunter Harrison.
 Nominal capital : £16,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed : £16,000.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash : £2,269 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 : 160,000.
 Number of shares allotted : 160,000.
 Amount paid per share : 3'4d.
 Amount called up per share : 1d.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear : 137; £91 9s. 10d.
 Number of shares forfeited : 21,958.
 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 : 296.
 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 : 4oz. 11dwt.; £12 2s. 9d.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year : £487 15s. 1d.
 Total expenditure since registration : £1,238 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 : £1,041 17s. 1d.
 Amount of cash in hand : £2 1s. 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, John Hunter Harrison, of Auckland, the Manager of the Nil Desperandum 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."

J. H. HARRISON,
 Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 19th day of January, 1897,
 before me—H. Rees George, J.P. 370

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company : Sybil Gold-mining Company (No Liability).
 When formed, and date of registration : 22nd June, 1896; 16th July, 1896.
 Whether in active operation or not : In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager : No. 4, Hobson's Buildings, Auckland; John Hunter Harrison.
 Nominal capital : £8,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed : £8,000.
 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 : Nil.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided : 80,000.
 Number of shares allotted : 80,000.
 Amount paid per share : 1'6d.
 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 : 33.
 Present number of shareholders : 161.
 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: £434 13s. 11d.
 Total expenditure since registration: £434 13s. 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: £115 6s. 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, John Hunter Harrison, of Auckland, the Manager of the Sybil 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."

J. H. HARRISON,
 Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 19th day of January, 1897,
 before me—H. Rees George, J.P. 372

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Pukewhau Gold-mining Company (No Liability).
 When formed, and date of registration: 30th August, 1895; 20th September, 1895.
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: No. 4, Hobson's Buildings, Auckland; John Hunter Harrison.
 Nominal capital: £6,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £6,000.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £1,493 15s.
 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: 5'9d.
 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; £8 4s. 6d.
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 67.
 Present number of shareholders: 219.
 Number of men employed by company: 6.
 Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preceding year: 60oz. 19dwt.; £19 8s.
 Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration: 60oz. 19dwt.; £19 8s.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £685 1s. 8d.
 Total expenditure since registration: £1,138 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: £383 5s. 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, John Hunter Harrison, of Auckland, the Manager of the Pukewhau 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."

J. H. HARRISON,
 Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 19th day of January, 1897,
 before me—H. Rees George, J.P. 355

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Golden Anchor Gold-mining Company (No Liability).
 When formed, and date of registration: 3rd July, 1895; 14th August, 1895.
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: No. 4, Hobson's Buildings, Auckland; John Hunter Harrison.
 Nominal capital: £15,000.

Amount of capital subscribed: £13,000.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £1,133 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: 150,000.
 Number of shares allotted: 130,000.
 Amount paid per share: 2d.
 Amount called up per share: 1d.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: 386; £532 17s. 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: 89.
 Present number of shareholders: 396.
 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: £1,226 9s. 3d.
 Total expenditure since registration: £1,906 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: £37 18s. 4d.
 Amount of cash in hand: £8 16s. 3d.
 Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.
 Amount of debts considered good: Nil.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): Nil.

I, John Hunter Harrison, of Auckland, the Manager of the Golden Anchor 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."

J. H. HARRISON,
 Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 19th day of January, 1897,
 before me—H. Rees George, J.P. 357

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Moa Gold-mining Company (No Liability).
 When formed, and date of registration: 5th August, 1896; 2nd September, 1896.
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: No. 4, Hobson's Buildings, Auckland; John Hunter Harrison.
 Nominal capital: £8,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £8,000.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £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: 80,000.
 Number of shares allotted: 80,000.
 Amount paid per share: 1½d.
 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: 126.
 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: £256 12s.
 Total expenditure since registration: £256 12s.
 Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.
 Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.
 Amount of cash at banker's: £243 8s.
 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, John Hunter Harrison, of Auckland, the Manager of the Moea 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."

J. H. HARRISON,
Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 19th day of January, 1897,
before me—H. Rees George, J.P. 361

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Evening Star Gold-mining Company (No Liability).
When formed, and date of registration: 10th July, 1896; 6th August, 1896.
Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: No. 4, Hobson's Buildings, Auckland; John Hunter Harrison.
Nominal capital: £8,000.
Amount of capital subscribed: £8,000.
Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £850.
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: 2½d.
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: 39.
Present number of shareholders: 50.
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: £353 14s. 2d.
Total expenditure since registration: £353 14s. 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: £496 5s. 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, John Hunter Harrison, of Auckland, the Manager of the Evening Star 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."

J. H. HARRISON,
Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 19th day of January, 1897,
before me—H. Rees George, J.P. 363

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Bay View Gold-mining Company (No Liability).
When formed, and date of registration: 9th April, 1896; 7th May, 1896.
Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: No. 4, Hobson's Buildings, Auckland; John Hunter Harrison.
Nominal capital: £3,000.
Amount of capital subscribed: £3,000.
Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £200.
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: 0·8d.
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: 32.
Present number of shareholders: 180.
Number of men employed by company: Nil.
Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preceding year: 18oz. 14dw. t.; £49 17s. 4d.
Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration: 18oz. 14dw. t.; £49 17s. 4d.
Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £354 3s. 4d.
Total expenditure since registration: £354 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: £395 14s.
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, John Hunter Harrison, of Auckland, the Manager of the Bay View 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."

J. H. HARRISON,
Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 19th day of January, 1897,
before me—H. Rees George, J.P. 358

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Great United Gold-mining Company (No Liability).
When formed, and date of registration: 25th September, 1895; 10th October, 1895.
Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: No. 4, Hobson's Buildings, Auckland; John Hunter Harrison.
Nominal capital: £7,000.
Amount of capital subscribed: £6,500.
Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £1,181 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: Nil.
Number of shares into which capital is divided: 70,000.
Number of shares allotted: 65,000.
Amount paid per share: 4·3d.
Amount called up per share: 1d.
Number and amount of calls in arrear: 18; £39 11s. 8d.
Number of shares forfeited: 9,500.
Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: Nil.
Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 71.
Present number of shareholders: 110.
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: £725 6s. 10d.
Total expenditure since registration: £1,032 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: £147.
Amount of cash in hand: £2 1s. 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, John Hunter Harrison, of Auckland, the Manager of the Great 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."

J. H. HARRISON,
Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 19th day of January, 1897,
before me—H. Rees George, J.P. 360

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Cuvier Light Gold-mining Company (No Liability).
 When formed, and date of registration: 13th July, 1896; 14th August, 1896.
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: 4, Hobson's Buildings, Auckland; John Hunter Harrison.
 Nominal capital: £8,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £7,000.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £700.
 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: 70,000.
 Amount paid per share: 2-1d.
 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: 39.

Present number of shareholders: 52.
 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: £217 14s. 5d.
 Total expenditure since registration: £217 14s. 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: £482 5s. 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, John Hunter Harrison, of Auckland, the Manager of the Cuvier Light 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."

J. H. HARRISON,
 Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 19th day of January, 1897, before me—H. Rees George, J.P. 365

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Jersey Gold-mining Company (No Liability).
 When formed, and date of registration: 19th August, 1896; 9th September, 1896.
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: No. 4, Hobson's Buildings, Auckland; John Hunter Harrison.
 Nominal capital: £4,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £4,000.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £290.
 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: 0-87d.
 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: 41.

Present number of shareholders: 46.
 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: £152 12s.

Total expenditure since registration: £152 12s.
 Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.
 Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.
 Amount of cash at banker's: £137 8s.
 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, John Hunter Harrison, of Auckland, the Manager of the Jersey 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."

J. H. HARRISON,
 Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 19th day of January, 1897, before me—H. Rees George, J.P. 367

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Norena Gold-mining Company (No Liability).
 When formed, and date of registration: 2nd December, 1895; 17th January, 1896.
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: No. 4, Hobson's Buildings, Auckland; John Hunter Harrison.
 Nominal capital: £8,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £7,300.
 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: Nil.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 80,000.
 Number of shares allotted: 73,000.
 Amount paid per share: 2-4d.
 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: 39.

Present number of shareholders: 95.
 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: £565 19s. 9d.
 Total expenditure since registration: £565 19s. 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: £184 0s. 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, John Hunter Harrison, of Auckland, the Manager of the Norena 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."

J. H. HARRISON,
 Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 19th day of January, 1897, before me—H. Rees George, J.P. 368

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: West Derby Gold-mining Company (No Liability).
 When formed, and date of registration: 5th October, 1896; 21st October, 1896.
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: No. 4, Hobson's Buildings, Auckland; John Hunter Harrison.
 Nominal capital: £9,000.

Amount of capital subscribed: £7,000.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £612 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: 90,000.
 Number of shares allotted: 70,000.
 Amount paid per share: 2-1d.
 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: 80.
 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: £190 8s.
 Total expenditure since registration: £190 8s.
 Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.
 Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.
 Amount of cash at banker's: £422 2s.
 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, John Hunter Harrison, of Auckland, the Manager of the West Derby 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."

J. H. HARRISON,
 Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 19th day of January, 1897,
 before me—H. Rees George, J.P. 379

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Fortuna No. 2 Gold-mining Company (No Liability).
 When formed, and date of registration: 23rd June, 1896; 16th July, 1896.
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Hobson's Buildings, Auckland; John Hunter Harrison.
 Nominal capital: £7,500.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £7,500.
 Amount of capital actually paid up 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: Nil.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 75,000.
 Number of shares allotted: 75,000.
 Amount paid per share: 2-4d.
 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: 85.
 Present number of shareholders: 124.
 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: £438 2s. 8d.
 Total expenditure since registration: £438 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: £311 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, John Hunter Harrison, of Auckland, Manager of the Fortuna 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 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."

J. H. HARRISON,
 Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 19th day of January, 1897,
 before me—H. Rees George, J.P. 448

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Asteroid Gold-mining Company (No Liability).
 When formed, and date of registration: 4th September, 1895; 26th September, 1895.
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Hobson's Buildings, Auckland; John Hunter Harrison.
 Nominal capital: £10,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £8,000.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £1,061 16s. 9d.
 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 per share: 3-2d.
 Amount called up per share: 3d.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: 65; £94 16s. 7d.
 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: 122.
 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: £971.
 Total expenditure since registration: £1,038 17s. 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: £18 10s.
 Amount of cash in hand: £4 9s. 7d.
 Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.
 Amount of debts considered good: Nil.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): £42 7s. 3d.

I, John Hunter Harrison, of Auckland, the Manager of the Asteroid 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."

J. H. HARRISON,
 Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 19th day of January, 1897,
 before me—H. Rees George, J.P. 449

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Invicta Gold-mining Company (No Liability).
 When formed, and date of registration: 25th June, 1895; 11th July, 1895.
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Hobson's Buildings, Auckland; John Hunter Harrison.
 Nominal capital: £7,500.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £7,500.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £2,256 15s. 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: 75,000.
 Amount paid per share: 7-2d.
 Amount called up per share: 2d.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: 96; £118 4s. 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: 54.

Present number of shareholders: 287.

Number of men employed by company: 3.

Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preceding year: 58oz. 1dwt.; £101 19s. 10d.

Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration: 190oz. 2dwt.; £370 9s. 10d.

Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £796 13s. 10d.

Total expenditure since registration: £2,473 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: £151 9s. 9d.

Amount of cash in hand: £2 14s. 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, John Hunter Harrison, of Auckland, the Manager of the Invicta 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."

J. H. HARRISON,
Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 19th day of January, 1897,
before me—H. Rees George, J.P. 465

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Royal Shield Gold-mining Company (No Liability).

When formed, and date of registration: 30th September, 1896; 2nd October, 1896.

Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.

Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Queen Street, Auckland; Edward James White.

Nominal capital: £10,000.

Amount of capital subscribed:

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: 76,000.

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: 65.

Present number of shareholders: 103.

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: £624 3s. 7d.

Total expenditure since registration: £624 3s. 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: £231 16s. 5d.

Amount of cash in hand:

Amount of debts directly due to company:

Amount of debts considered good:

Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): £11 13s. 6d.

I, Edward James White, of Auckland, the Manager of the Royal Shield 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."

E. J. WHITE,
Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 21st day of January, 1897,
before me—D. B. McDonald, J.P. 422

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STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Waitekauri Queen Gold-mining Company (No Liability).

When formed, and date of registration: 27th August, 1895; 27th September, 1895.

Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.

Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Queen Street, Auckland; Edward James White.

Nominal capital: £3,250.

Amount of capital subscribed: £7,500.

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: 55,000.

Number of shares allotted: 50,000.

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: 48.

Present number of shareholders: 81.

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 6s. 2d.

Total expenditure since registration: £456 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: £49 7s. 8d.

Amount of cash in hand: Nil.

Amount of debts directly due to company:

Amount of debts considered good:

Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): £3 2s. 9d.

I, Edward James White, of Auckland, the Manager of the Waitekauri Queen 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."

E. J. WHITE,
Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 21st day of January, 1897,
before me—D. B. McDonald J.P. 423

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Ulysses Gold-mining Company (No Liability).

When formed, and date of registration: 30th September, 1896; 2nd October, 1896.

Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.

Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Queen Street, Auckland; Edward James White.

Nominal capital: £10,625.

Amount of capital subscribed: £10,000.

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: 85,000.

Number of shares allotted: 80,000.

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: 60.

Present number of shareholders: 79.

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: £577 0s. 8d.

Total expenditure since registration: £577 0s. 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: £406 1s. 4d.
 Amount of cash in hand: £11 18s.
 Amount of debts directly due to company:
 Amount of debts considered good:
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): £9 7s. 2d.

I, Edward James White, of Auckland, the Manager of the Ulysses 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."

E. J. WHITE,
 Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 21st day of January, 1897,
 before me—D. B. McDonald, J.P. 424

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Diadem Gold-mining Company (No Liability).
 When formed, and date of registration: 21st April, 1896; 17th May, 1896.
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Queen Street, Auckland; Edward James White.
 Nominal capital: £12,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed:
 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: 75,000.
 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: 46.
 Present number of shareholders: 101.
 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: £779 14s. 11d.
 Total expenditure since registration: £779 14s. 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: £120 5s. 1d.
 Amount of cash in hand: Nil.
 Amount of debts directly due to company:
 Amount of debts considered good:
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): £7 8s. 5d.

I, Edward James White, of Auckland, the Manager of the Diadem 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."

E. J. WHITE,
 Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 21st day of January, 1897,
 before me—D. B. McDonald, J.P. 416

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Freedom Gold-mining Company (No Liability).
 When formed, and date of registration: 5th September, 1895; 26th October, 1895.
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Queen Street, Auckland; Edward James White.
 Nominal capital: £12,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £12,000.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £192 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: 80,000.
 Number of shares allotted: 80,000.
 Amount paid per share: 1d.
 Amount called up per share: 1d.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: £141.
 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: 98.
 Number of men employed by company: 4.
 Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preceding year: 8oz. 15dwt.; £23 3s. 9d.
 Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration: 15oz. 10dwt.; £41 19s. 9d.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £896 5s. 4d.
 Total expenditure since registration: £1,555 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: Nil.
 Amount of cash in hand: Nil.
 Amount of debts directly due to company:
 Amount of debts considered good: £92 8s.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any):

I, Edward James White, of Auckland, the Manager of the Freedom 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."

E. J. WHITE,
 Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 21st day of January, 1897,
 before me—D. B. McDonald, J.P. 417

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Huanui Gold-mining Company (No Liability).
 When formed, and date of registration: 3rd July, 1895; 21st August, 1895.
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Queen Street, Auckland; E. J. White.
 Nominal capital: £9,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £7,500.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £606 8s. 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: Nil.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 60,000.
 Number of shares allotted: 50,000.
 Amount paid per share: 3d.
 Amount called up per share: 3d.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: —; £18 11s. 8d.
 Number of shares forfeited: 400.
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: £21 9s. 8d.
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 29.
 Present number of shareholders: 177.
 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: £675 1s. 9d.
 Total expenditure since registration: £1,199 12s. 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: Nil.
 Amount of cash in hand: £1 9s. 1d.
 Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.
 Amount of debts considered good: Nil.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): £108 13s. 2d.

I, Edward James White, of Auckland, the Manager of the Huanui 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."

E. J. WHITE,
Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 21st day of January, 1897,
before me—D. B. McDonald, J.P. 418

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Young New Zealand Gold-mining Company (No Liability).
When formed, and date of registration: 14th September, 1895; 31st October, 1895.
Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Queen Street, Auckland; Edward James White.
Nominal capital: £11,250.
Amount of capital subscribed: £9,750.
Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £263 15s.
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: 1d.
Amount called up per share: 1d.
Number and amount of calls in arrear: £7 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: 63.

Present number of shareholders: 145.
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: £954 18s. 3d.
Total expenditure since registration: £2,346 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: .
Amount of cash in hand: .
Amount of debts directly due to company: £100.
Amount of debts considered good: £100.
Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): £4 11s. 7d.

I, Edward James White, of Auckland, the Manager of the Young New Zealand 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."

E. J. WHITE,
Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 21st day of January, 1897,
before me—D. B. McDonald, J.P. 425

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Great Kapanga Gold-mining Company (No Liability).
When formed, and date of registration: 5th September, 1895; 26th October, 1895.
Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Queen Street, Auckland; Edward James White.
Nominal capital: £12,000.
Amount of capital subscribed: £9,600.
Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £524 15s. 10d.
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: 64,000.
Amount paid per share: 2d.
Amount called up per share: 2d.
Number and amount of calls in arrear: £8 10s. 10d.
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: 153.
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: £836 14s. 3d.
Total expenditure since registration: £1,509 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: Nil.
Amount of cash in hand: £6 13s. 8d.
Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.
Amount of debts considered good: Nil.
Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): £100 13s. 3d.

I, Edward James White, of Auckland, the Manager of the Great Kapanga 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."

E. J. WHITE,
Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 21st day of January, 1897,
before me—D. B. McDonald, J.P. 426

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Maori Dream Gold-mining Company (No Liability).
When formed, and date of registration: 14th June, 1895, 21st August, 1895.
Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Queen Street, Auckland; Edward James White.
Nominal capital: £9,000.
Amount of capital subscribed: £9,000.
Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £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: 1d.
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: 40.

Present number of shareholders: 152.
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, till 31st October: £924 0s. 6d.
Total expenditure since registration: £1,531 12s. 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: Nil.
Amount of cash in hand: 6s. 9d.
Amount of debts directly due to company: .
Amount of debts considered good: .
Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): £115 19s. 11d.

I, Edward James White, of Auckland, the Manager of the Maori Dream 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 October, 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."

E. J. WHITE,
Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 21st day of January, 1897
before me—D. B. McDonald, J.P. 419

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Oceania Gold-mining Company (No Liability).
 When formed, and date of registration: 30th August, 1895; 3rd October, 1895.
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Queen Street, Auckland; Edward James White.
 Nominal capital: £10,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £7,500.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £218 10s. 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: 80,000.
 Number of shares allotted: 60,000.
 Amount paid per share: 1d.
 Amount called up per share: 1d.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: £31 9s. 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: 33.
 Present number of shareholders: 169.
 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: £834 11s. 6d.
 Total expenditure since registration: £1,504 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: £2 9s. 5d.
 Amount of cash in hand:
 Amount of debts directly due to company:
 Amount of debts considered good:
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): £36 0s. 8d.

I, Edward James White, of Auckland, the Manager of the Oceania 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."

E. J. WHITE,
 Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 21st day of January, 1897, before me—D. B. McDonald, J.P. 420

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Princess May Gold-mining Company (No Liability).
 When formed, and date of registration: 3rd October, 1895; 21st December, 1895.
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Queen Street, Auckland; Edward James White.
 Nominal capital: £15,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £13,500.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £390 17s. 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: 100,000.
 Number of shares allotted: 90,000.
 Amount paid per share: 1d.
 Amount called up per share: 1d.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: £44 2s. 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: 46.
 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: £1,039 18s. 2d.
 Total expenditure since registration: £1,372 17s. 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: Nil.
 Amount of cash in hand: £13 7s. 7d.
 Amount of debts directly due to company:
 Amount of debts considered good:
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): £39 1s. 2d.

I, Edward James White, of Auckland, the Manager of the Princess May 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."

E. J. WHITE,
 Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 21st day of January, 1897, before me—D. B. McDonald, J.P. 421

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Conservative Gold-mining Company (No Liability).
 When formed, and date of registration: 13th February, 1896; 23rd June, 1896.
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Queen Street, Auckland; Edward James White.
 Nominal capital: £10,500.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £8,250.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £229 8s. 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: Nil.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 70,000.
 Number of shares allotted: 55,000.
 Amount paid per share: 1d.
 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: 54.
 Present number of shareholders: 82.
 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: £939 0s. 9d.
 Total expenditure since registration: £939 0s. 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: £9 8s. 5d.
 Amount of cash in hand:
 Amount of debts directly due to company:
 Amount of debts considered good:
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): £44 4s. 7d.

I, Edward James White, of Auckland, the Manager of the Conservative 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."

E. J. WHITE,
 Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 21st day of January, 1897, before me—D. B. McDonald, J.P. 414

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Chelt Gold-mining Company (No Liability).
 When formed, and date of registration: 20th August, 1895; 17th September, 1895.
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Queen Street, Auckland; Edward James White.
 Nominal capital: £6,875.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £6,250.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £412 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: 55,000.
 Number of shares allotted: 50,000.
 Amount paid per share: 2d.
 Amount called up per share: 2d.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: —; £4 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: 49.
 Present number of shareholders: 99.
 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: £852 13s. 1d.
 Total expenditure since registration: £1,100 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: £20 1s.
 Amount of cash in hand: £11 16s. 9d.
 Amount of debts directly due to company:
 Amount of debts considered good:
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): £4 16s. 8d.

I, Edward James White, of Auckland, the Manager of the Chelt 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."

E. J. WHITE,
 Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 21st day of January, 1897, before me—D. B. McDonald, J.P. 415

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: The Buller Gold-dredging Company (Limited).
 When formed, and date of registration: 28th September, 1894; 14th November, 1894.
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Reefton; Bernard P. McMahon.
 Nominal capital: £1,500.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £1,500.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £600.
 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 per share: 1s.
 Amount called up per share: 1s.
 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: 27.
 Number of men employed by company: 12.
 Quantity and value of gold produced during preceding year: 909oz. 17dwt. 16gr.; £3,542 0s. 11d.
 Total quantity and value of gold produced since registration: 2,225oz. 15dwt. 21gr.; £8,645 9s. 3d.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £2,734 18s.
 Total expenditure since registration: £6,138 6s. 4d.
 Total amount of dividends declared: £1,800.
 Total amount of dividends paid: £1,800.
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.
 Amount of cash at banker's: £239 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): £198 1s. 2d.

I, Bernard P. McMahon, of Reefton, the Manager of the Buller 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."

BERNARD P. McMAHON,
 Manager.

Declared at Reefton, this 1st day of February, 1897, before me—Chas. Cohen, J.P. 399

I, THE undersigned, hereby make application to register the King of Omaha Gold-mining Company (No Liability) as a no-liability company under the provisions of "The Mining Companies Act, 1894."

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

	No. of Shares.
Lowrie, Robert, Thames, Miner	3,666
Elliot, William, Auckland, Agent	6,667
Elliot, George, Auckland Agent (in trust).. .. .	6,666
Clendon, E. J., Thames, Solicitor	6,667
Elliot, George, Auckland, Agent (in trust).. .. .	5,667
Elliot, George, Auckland, Agent (in trust).. .. .	6,666
Davies, A., Auckland, Traveller	3,333
Jones, Walter, Auckland, Warehouseman	3,334
Charter, Thos., Auckland, Warehouseman	2,333
Hart, Wolf, Auckland, Clerk	1,667
Elliot, George, Auckland, Agent	3,334
Thornes, Joseph, Auckland, Land Agent	1,667
Smith, F. W., Auckland, Merchant	1,666
Dufaur, E. B., Auckland, Accountant	1,667
Elliot, George, Auckland, Agent (in trust).. .. .	5,000
Twentyman, R., Thames, Builder	2,500
Elliot, George, Auckland, Agent (in trust).. .. .	5,000
Corbett, R., Thames, Miner	2,500
Dufaur, W. J., Auckland, Accountant	1,250
Marchesseau, Isaac, Auckland, Gentleman	500
Twentyman, Wm., Thames	2,500
Dennis, F. B., Devonport, Gentleman	1,500
Hobhouse, Alf. H., Wanganui, Gentleman	1,000
Harper, Arthur P., Thames, Solicitor	1,750
Scott, John, Auckland, Seaman	500
Connell, Harry, Auckland, Music-teacher	1,000
Total	80,000

Dated this 4th day of February, 1897.

GEORGE ELLIOT,
 Manager.

Witness to signature—E. Sheppard.

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

1. I am the Manager of the said intended company.
2. The above statement is, to the best of my belief and knowledge, true in every particular.

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

GEORGE ELLIOT.

Taken before me, at Auckland, this 4th day of February, 1897—H. G. Seth-Smith, J.P. 447

I, THE undersigned, hereby make application to register the Alpine 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 Alpine Gold-mining Company (No Liability).
2. The place of operations (or intended operations) is at Thames.
3. The registered office of the company will be situated at Queen Street, Auckland.
4. The value of the company's property, including claim or lease ground and machinery, is
5. The number of shares in the company is seventy-two thousand, of one shilling each.
6. The number of shares subscribed for is seventy-two thousand.
7. The name of the Manager is Edward James White.

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.
Bell, Henry C., Auckland, Agent	3,500
Boylan, William J., Auckland, Agent	4,700
Daldy, W. C., jun., Auckland, Mining Agent	500
Fairs, James B., Auckland, Accountant	1,500
Hird, William C., Auckland, Broker	8,000
Martin, D. M., Wellington, Accountant	9,000
Massey, Walter Henry, Auckland, Accountant	800
White, Francis Angus, Auckland, Legal Manager	44,000
Total	72,000

Dated this 1st day of February, 1897.

E. J. WHITE,
Manager.

Witness to signature—H. J. Wernham.

I, Edward James White, 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."

E. J. WHITE.

Taken before me, this 1st day of February, 1897—D. B. McDonald, J.P. 415

I, THE undersigned, hereby make application to register the Trojan 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 Trojan Gold-mining Company (No Liability).
2. The place of operations (or intended operations) is at Puru.
3. The registered office of the company will be situated at 119, Victoria Arcade, 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 one hundred thousand, of one shilling and sixpence each.
6. The number of shares subscribed for is eighty-two thousand five hundred.
7. The name of the Manager is Samuel Cochrane Macky.
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.
Metcalfe, Arthur, Coromandel, Contractor	2,000
Coates, Isaac, Hamilton, Farmer	8,000
Metcalfe, Jessie, Ponsonby, Married Lady	2,000
Metcalfe, Henry, Auckland, Civil Engineer	3,000
Nicol, Malcolm, Auckland, Shipping Agent	2,000
Alison, E. W., Auckland, Shipping Agent	1,000
Blaikie, J. B., Auckland, Ironmonger	1,000
Wright, Arthur, Auckland, Merchant Tailor	1,000
Mays, James, Auckland (in trust)	6,798
Mays, James, Auckland, Contractor	8,000
Mays, Kate, Devonport, Married Lady	2,000
Shaw, David, Auckland, Master Mariner	390
Bruce, Wilfred, Auckland, Solicitor	500
Browne, Edmund C., Auckland, Merchant	3,126
Caldecott, Sydney, Auckland, Tuner	1,812
Wilson, George, Auckland, Accountant	1,812
Potter, William, Auckland	906
Chappel, Alfred, Auckland	453
Seabrooke, George, Auckland	453
Flower of Waihi Gold-mining Company (No Liability)	41,250
Unallotted or reserved shares	17,500
Total	100,000

Dated this 4th day of February, 1897.

S. COCHRANE MACKY,

Witness to signature—L. H. Wilson. Manager.

I, Samuel Cochrane Macky, 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."

S. COCHRANE MACKY.

Taken before me, at Auckland, this 4th day of February, 1897—Ewen Wm. Alison, J.P. 411

TROJAN GOLD-MINING COMPANY (NO LIABILITY).

NOTICE is hereby given that the Registered Office of the above company is at 119, Victoria Arcade, Auckland; and that SAMUEL COCHRANE MACKY is the Legal Manager of the said company.

MALCOLM NICCOL,
JAS. B. BLAIKIE, } Directors.

Auckland, 8th February, 1897. 412

DON OF WAIHI GOLD-MINING COMPANY (NO LIABILITY).

NOTICE is hereby given that the Registered Office of the Don of Waihi Gold-mining Company has been removed from Halyday's Buildings, 26, Shortland Street, to Mining Chambers, 103, Queen Street, Auckland.

B. T. HAWKINS,
S. T. TWENTYMAN, } Directors.

427 J. H. PORTER, Secretary.

RACHEL GOLD-MINING COMPANY (NO LIABILITY).

The Registrar, Supreme Court, Auckland.

YOU are hereby notified that the Registered Office of the Rachel Gold-Mining Company (No Liability) is situated at Mining Chambers, 103, Queen Street, Auckland; and that Mr. JOHN HENRY PORTER has been appointed Legal Manager thereof.

S. T. TWENTYMAN,
JAMES MCKERRAS, } Directors.

428 J. H. PORTER, Manager.

THE HAURAKI (N.Z.) ASSOCIATED GOLD-REEFS (LIMITED).

In the matter of "The Mining Act, 1891," and of "The Foreign Companies Act, 1884," and of the Hauraki (N.Z.) Associated Gold-reefs (Limited).

NOTICE is hereby given that the Office or place of business of the above-named company has been changed from Halyday's Buildings, 26, Shortland Street, Auckland City, to Mining Chambers, 103, Queen Street, in the same city.

Dated at Auckland, this 3rd day of February, 1897.

M. NICCOL,
J. H. PORTER, } Attorneys for the company.

Solicitors for the company, DEVORE AND COOPER. 429

NATIONAL GOLD-MINING COMPANY (NO LIABILITY).

The Registrar, Supreme Court, Auckland.

YOU are hereby notified that the Registered Office of the National Gold-mining Company (No Liability) is situated at Mining Chambers, 103, Queen Street, Auckland; and that Mr. SYDNEY T. TWENTYMAN has been appointed Legal Manager thereof.

J. DUDER,
F. J. HAMMOND, } Directors.

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RISING SUN GOLD-MINING COMPANY (NO LIABILITY).

NOTICE is hereby given that the Registered Office of the company has been removed from Bank of New Zealand Buildings, Auckland, to Mining Chambers, 103, Queen Street, Auckland.

G. C. W. MORRIS, Manager.
W. GORRIE,
W. BLOMFIELD, } Directors.

Auckland, 3rd February, 1897. 436

BRITISH GOLD- AND SILVER-MINING COMPANY (NO LIABILITY).

NOTICE is hereby given that the Registered Office of the above company has been removed from Bank of New Zealand Buildings, Auckland, to Mining Chambers, 103, Queen Street, Auckland.

G. C. W. MORRIS, Manager.
JNO. CHAMBERS,
C. S. H. MCKINNEY, } Directors.

Auckland, 3rd February, 1897. 437

LADY GLASGOW GOLD-MINING COMPANY (NO LIABILITY).

NOTICE is hereby given that the Registered Office of the above company has been removed from Bank of New Zealand Buildings, Auckland, to Mining Chambers, 103, Queen Street, Auckland.

G. C. W. MORRIS, Manager.
H. JOHNSON, }
G. B. MORRIS, } Directors.

Auckland, 3rd February, 1897. 438

MATARANGI GOLD-MINING COMPANY (NO LIABILITY).

NOTICE is hereby given that the Registered Office of the above company has been removed from Bank of New Zealand Buildings, Auckland, to Mining Chambers, 103, Queen Street, Auckland.

G. C. W. MORRIS, Manager.
C. R. CHAPMAN, }
JOHN R. GRAY, } Directors.

Auckland, 3rd February, 1897. 439

MANGAKARA UNITED GOLD-MINING COMPANY (NO LIABILITY).

NOTICE is hereby given that the Registered Office of the above company has been removed from Bank of New Zealand Buildings, Auckland, to Mining Chambers, 103, Queen Street, Auckland.

G. C. W. MORRIS, Manager.
H. JOHNSON, }
G. B. MORRIS, } Directors.

Auckland, 3rd February, 1897. 440

PURU CONSOLIDATED GOLD-MINING COMPANY (NO LIABILITY).

NOTICE is hereby given that the Registered Office of the above company has been removed from Bank of New Zealand Buildings, Auckland, to Mining Chambers, 103, Queen Street, Auckland.

G. C. W. MORRIS, Manager.
JOHN R. GRAY, }
C. R. CHAPMAN, } Directors.

Auckland, 3rd February, 1897. 441

PURU JUNCTION GOLD-MINING COMPANY (NO LIABILITY).

NOTICE is hereby given that the Registered Office of the above company has been removed from Bank of New Zealand Buildings to Mining Chambers, 103, Queen Street, Auckland.

G. C. W. MORRIS, Manager.
JOHN R. GRAY, }
C. R. CHAPMAN, } Directors.

Auckland, 3rd February, 1897. 442

WARD PROPRIETARY GOLD-MINING COMPANY (NO LIABILITY).

NOTICE is hereby given that the Registered Office of the above company has been removed from Bank of New Zealand Buildings, Queen Street, Auckland, to Mining Chambers, 103, Queen Street, Auckland.

G. C. W. MORRIS, Manager.
C. J. TUNKS, }
C. S. H. MCKINNEY, } Directors.

Auckland, 3rd February, 1897. 443

WAITEKAURI PRINCE GOLD-MINING COMPANY (NO LIABILITY).

NOTICE is hereby given that the Registered Office of the above company has been removed from Bank of New Zealand Buildings, Auckland, to Mining Chambers, 103, Queen Street, Auckland.

G. C. W. MORRIS, Manager.
EDMUND BELL, }
HENRY SERJEANT, } Directors.

Auckland, 3rd February, 1897. 444

WAITEKAURI MAGAZINE GOLD-MINING COMPANY (NO LIABILITY).

NOTICE is hereby given that the Registered Office of the above company has been removed from Bank of New Zealand Buildings, Auckland, to Mining Chambers, 103, Queen Street, Auckland.

G. C. W. MORRIS, Manager.
G. B. MORRIS, }
GEO. CARRICK, } Directors.

Auckland, 3rd February, 1897. 445

OHINEMURI GOLD-MINING COMPANY (NO LIABILITY).

NOTICE is hereby given that the Registered Office of the above company has been removed from Bank of New Zealand Buildings, Auckland, to Mining Chambers, 103, Queen Street, Auckland.

G. C. W. MORRIS, Manager.
J. MACFARLANE, }
JOHN R. GRAY, } Directors.

Auckland, 3rd February, 1897. 446

WAKAMARINA GOLDEN BAR GOLD-MINING COMPANY (LIMITED).

NOTICE is hereby given that Mr. ROBERT WILBERFOSS has been appointed Legal Manager of the above company, vice Mr. J. C. Mowbray; and that the Registered Office of the company is situate in Harbour Street, Wellington.

G. C. McGLASHAN, }
A. GRAY, } Directors.

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MATA REEFS GOLD-MINING COMPANY (NO LIABILITY).

NOTICE is hereby given that the Registered Office of the Mata Reefs Gold-mining Company (No Liability) has been removed from Halyday's Buildings, 26, Shortland Street, to Mining Chambers, 103, Queen Street, Auckland.

S. T. TWENTYMAN, }
JOHN HASTIE, }
J. H. PORTER, Secretary.

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RIALTO GOLD-MINING COMPANY (NO LIABILITY).

NOTICE is hereby given that the Registered Office of the Rialto Gold-mining Company (No Liability) has been removed from Halyday's Buildings, 26, Shortland Street, to Mining Chambers, 103, Queen Street, Auckland.

S. T. TWENTYMAN, }
JAMES MCKERRAS, }
J. H. PORTER, Secretary.

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NELLIE GOLD-MINING COMPANY (NO LIABILITY).

NOTICE is hereby given that the Registered Office of the Nellie Gold-mining Company (No Liability) has been removed from Halyday's Buildings, 26, Shortland Street, to Mining Chambers, 103, Queen Street, Auckland.

S. T. TWENTYMAN, }
JAMES MCKERRAS, }
J. H. PORTER, Secretary.

402

PORT CHARLES GOLD-MINING COMPANY (NO LIABILITY).

NOTICE is hereby given that the Registered Office of the Port Charles Gold-mining Company (No Liability) has been removed from Halyday's Buildings, 26, Shortland Street, to Mining Chambers, 103, Queen Street, Auckland.

S. T. TWENTYMAN, }
JAMES MCKERRAS, }
J. H. PORTER, Secretary.

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GEM GOLD-MINING COMPANY (NO LIABILITY).

NOTICE is hereby given that the Registered Office of the Gem Gold-mining Company (No Liability) has been removed from Halyday's Buildings, 26, Shortland Street, to Mining Chambers, 103, Queen Street, Auckland.

S. T. TWENTYMAN, }
JAMES MCKERRAS, }
J. H. PORTER, Secretary.

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NEW PUHIPUHI GOLD-MINING COMPANY (NO LIABILITY).

NOTICE is hereby given that the Registered Office of the New Puhpuhi Gold-mining Company (No Liability) has been removed from Halyday's Buildings, 26, Shortland Street, to Mining Chambers, 103, Queen Street, Auckland.

J. R. REED, }
S. T. TWENTYMAN, }
J. H. PORTER, Secretary.

405

QUEEN VICTORIA OF HAURAKI GOLD-MINING COMPANY (NO LIABILITY).

NOTICE is hereby given that the Registered Office of the Queen Victoria of Hauraki Gold-mining Company (No Liability) has been removed from Halyday's Buildings, 26, Shortland Street, to Mining Chambers, 103, Queen Street, Auckland.

A. M. EDMONDS, } Directors.
G. S. KISSLING, }
S. T. TWENTYMAN, Manager.

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LORNA DOONE GOLD-MINING COMPANY (NO LIABILITY).

NOTICE is hereby given that the Registered Office of the Lorna Doone Gold-mining Company (No Liability) has been removed from Halyday's Buildings, 26, Shortland Street, to Mining Chambers, 103, Queen Street, Auckland.

M. NICCOL, } Directors.
JAMES MCKERRAS, }
S. T. TWENTYMAN, Manager.

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NOTICE is hereby given that the Office of the Dr. Jim Gold- and Silver-mining Company (No Liability) has been removed from 81, Queen Street, to Cosmopolitan Chambers, corner of Queen and Swanson Streets.

ANDREW FRASER,
Manager.

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THE MONOWAI GOLD-MINES (LIMITED).

NOTICE is hereby given that the Office or place of business of the above-named company is at the offices of Messrs. Devore and Cooper, Solicitors, Legal Chambers, Queen Street, Auckland.

Dated this 27th day of January, 1897.

A. S. GABBS,
Attorney for the Monowai Gold-mines (Limited).
DEVORE AND COOPER, Solicitors. 395

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.

WYNARD AND PURCHAS,
Solicitors for the Company,
Queen Street, Auckland. 214

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.

WYNARD AND PURCHAS,
Solicitors for the Company,
Queen Street, Auckland. 213

THE WOODSTOCK GOLD-MINING COMPANY (LIMITED).

"THE FOREIGN COMPANIES ACT, 1884."

NOTICE is hereby given that the Office of the above-named company has been changed from the office of Mr. D. G. MacDonnell, in the New Zealand Insurance Buildings, Queen Street, to the *New Zealand Herald* Buildings, Queen Street; and that Mr. CHARLES RHODES is the Local Manager of the said company at the new address.

Dated this 27th day of January, 1897.

W. GORRIE,
W. S. WILSON,
J. L. WILSON,

Attorneys for the said Company.

JACKSON AND RUSSELL,
Shortland Street, Solicitors for the said
Company. 343

In the matter of "The Foreign Companies Act, 1884," and "The Mining Act, 1891"; and in the matter of the Collingwood Goldfields (Limited).

NOTICE is hereby given that the Office of the Collingwood Goldfields (Limited), where legal proceedings of any kind may be served upon it, and to which notices of any kind may be addressed or given, is situated at Messrs. Fell and Atkinson's office, Hardy Street, Nelson.

Dated this 27th day of January, 1897.

CHARLES Y. FELL,
Attorney for the said Company in New Zealand.
Witness—Phil. Topliss, law clerk, Nelson. 339

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO CONSTRUCT WATER-RACE.

Otago Mining District,
26th January, 1897.

To the Warden at Lawrence.

I HEREBY give notice that I intend to construct a water-race to divert and use water for mining purposes, commencing at a point on the east bank of Bungtown Creek between Section 9, Block IX., and Section 3, Block VIII., Tuapeka East District, crossing Bungtown and German Creeks by means of fluming or pipe-line, and terminating at the foot of Waitahuna Gully at licensed holding now under application by me.

The length of such race is twelve miles or thereabouts, and its intended course is southerly.

Pegs marked X.

The mean depth of such race is 3ft., and the mean breadth is 4ft.; and it is proposed to divert twenty Government heads of water.

Cost of construction: £1,500.

Time required for construction: Twelve months.

Number and date of miner's right: No. 13584; 4th December, 1896.

JOHN GRANT
(By his Solicitor, F. G. DALZIELL),
Applicant.

Any person objecting to the granting of this application must lodge his objection in writing at the Warden's Office at Lawrence within fourteen clear days from the date hereof.

Hearing at 2 o'clock on the 8th March, 1897, at Court-house, Lawrence.

A. M. EYES,
For Warden.

Warden's Office, Lawrence, 26th January, 1897. 346

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO CONSTRUCT WATER-RACE.

Westland District, 28th January, 1897.

To the Warden at Stafford.

WE hereby give notice that we intend to construct a water-race to divert and use water for mining purposes, commencing at a point adjoining Head-race No. 440, 12 chains from commencement of said race, situated on Pahika, adjoining Road Board road, and terminating at our extended claim No. 72860, on Auckland Beach.

The length of such race is 60 chains or thereabouts, and its intended course is S.E. and N.W. The greater portion of this race is situated on the private land belonging to John Maher.

Grant asked for fifteen years.

The mean depth of such race is 2ft., and the mean breadth is 2ft.

No water-right, being on private land.

Cost of construction: £250.

Time required for construction: Twelve months.

Numbers and dates of miners' rights: No. 20953, 15th December, 1896; No. 16050, 15th December, 1896; No. 20954, 15th December, 1896.

TIMOTHY O'BRIEN,
ARCHIBALD BLACK,
CHARLES CUNNINGHAM,
Applicants.

Any person objecting to the granting of this application must lodge his objection in writing at the Warden's Office at Stafford within fourteen clear days from the date hereof.

Hearing at 12 o'clock noon on the 15th March, 1897.

D. HARMAN,
Pro Warden.

Warden's Office, Stafford, 2nd February, 1897 (10 a.m.). 409

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.

7979. JOSHUA STRANGE WILLIAMS.—28 perches, part of Rural Section 48A, Christchurch Survey District. Unoccupied.

8004. MATTHEW CRANNITCH.—3 roods 16 perches, Lot 10 and part of 11, Plan 964, part of Rural Section 1547, Patiti Survey District. Occupied by Archibald Macdonald.

Diagrams may be inspected at this office.
Dated this 6th day of February, 1897, at the Lands Registry Office, Christchurch.

352 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 calendar month from the date of the gazetting of this notice.

ROBINA McINTOSH.—1 rood 32 $\frac{3}{4}$ perches, being Section 10 and part of Section 11, Block LXVI., Town of Invercargill. Unoccupied. Nos. 2625 and 2626.

MARION HELEN STEEL MACGOUN.—1 acre 2 roods, being part of Section 25, Block I., Hundred of Invercargill. Occupied by Henry Cooper. No. 2655.

THOMAS MORELL MACDONALD.—1 rood, being Section 22, Block XXXVI., Town of Invercargill. Unoccupied. No. 2657.

Diagrams may be inspected at this office.
Dated this 30th day of January, 1897, at the Lands Registry Office, Invercargill.

353 F. G. MORGAN,
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.

3327. MARY McCOSH ROSE.—Part of Allotment 29, Section 16, Suburbs of Auckland, containing 2 roods 33 perches. In Applicant's occupation.

3329. ARCHIBALD CLARK and MATTHEW ANDERSON CLARK.—Part of Allotment 25, Section 4, of the City of Auckland, containing 27 perches. Unoccupied.

Diagrams may be inspected at this office.
Dated this 6th day of February, 1897, at the Lands Registry Office, Auckland.

410 EDWIN BAMFORD,
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 calendar month from the date of publication hereof.

Part of Sections 23, 33, 34, closed roads, and parts of Section 22, Block VI., Moeraki District, being Allotments or Farms 8 and 9, Janet's Peak Estate.—Sir FRANCIS DILLON BELL, Applicant. Occupied by Charles McGregor. No. 4183.

Sections 1 of 1, 2 of 1, 3 of 1, and 2 of 2, Block I., Clarendon District.—JAMES CRANE, Applicant. Occupied by Applicant. No. 4184.

Allotment 2, Block I., Township of Balaclava.—JOHN GEORGE KEARNS, Applicant. Occupied by Applicant. No. 4185.

Diagrams may be inspected at this office.
Dated this 8th day of February, 1897, at the Lands Registry Office, Dunedin.

481 H. TURTON,
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 on or before the 11th day of March, 1897.

1991. CHARLES EDWIN MAJOR.—10 perches, part Section 83, City of Wellington. Occupied by Harrowby.

2571. FRANK ALFRED FEIST.—1 acre 2 roods 6 $\frac{3}{4}$ perches, part Section 147, Taratahi Plain Block. Occupied by J. T. McHarg.

2647. ARTHUR MARTIN.—228 acres 2 roods 16 perches, Sections 50, 60, and part of Section 53, Wharekaka Block, and Section 91, Turanganui. Occupied by Applicant.

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2648. DAVID BLYTH.—5 acres and 6 $\frac{3}{4}$ perches, Suburban Section 5, Town of Wanganui. Occupied by J. Notman.

Diagrams may be inspected at this office.
Dated this 10th day of February, 1897, at the Lands Registry Office, Wellington.

482 J. M. BATHAM,
District Land Registrar.

Private Advertisements.

THE BENJAMIN EDWARDS COMPANY (LIMITED).

PUBLIC notice is hereby given that the following resolution of the shareholders held on the 30th day of December, 1896, and confirmed at an extraordinary general meeting held on the 20th January, 1897:—

"That, whereas it is proved to the satisfaction of this meeting of shareholders that the Benjamin Edwards Company (Limited) cannot, by reason of its insufficient capital, carry on business profitably, and it is further proved to the satisfaction of the shareholders present, holding amongst them 722 shares, that the company, by reason of its liabilities, cannot continue business without great loss to the shareholders, it is therefore advisable to wind up the said company, and that the company be wound up voluntarily, in accordance with clause 189 and the following clauses of 'The Companies Act, 1882'; that William Benjamin Scandrett and John Edmond be and are hereby appointed Liquidators for the purpose of winding up the affairs of the company and distributing its assets."

408 W. B. SCANDRETT,
JOHN EDMOND,
Liquidators of the Benjamin Edwards Company (Limited).

WELLINGTON AND MANAWATU RAILWAY COMPANY (LIMITED).

IN pursuance of the powers and authorities conferred upon the Wellington and Manawatu Railway Company (Limited) by "The Railways Construction and Land Act, 1881," and of all other powers and authorities in any wise enabling it in that behalf, the said company doth by this instrument under its common seal make and ordain the following by-law for regulating the carriage of unpacked bicycles, tricycles, and velocipedes upon the railway belonging to the company, that is to say,—

1. The company will receive unpacked bicycles, tricycles, and velocipedes for carriage upon their railway at parcel rates at any of the stations thereon, and will carry the same upon the following conditions:—

- (a.) Except in the case of flag-stations, every such bicycle, tricycle, or velocipede shall be delivered to the parcels clerk at the station from which the same is to be carried not less than fifteen minutes before the time appointed by the time-tables of the company for the departure of the train upon which it is to be carried, and the person delivering the same shall also sign and deliver to such clerk a consignment-note for the same on a form supplied by the company, and pay the freight and charges for carriage thereof at the parcel rates for the time being in force for bicycles, tricycles, or velocipedes; and shall at the same time obtain from such clerk a receipt for such bicycle, tricycle, or velocipede, and for such freight and charges.
- (b.) The company shall not be bound to receive any such bicycle, tricycle, or velocipede at any flag-station unless the guard of the train to whom the same shall be tendered for carriage can, with due regard to convenience of stowage, receive the same for that purpose; and the onus of proving that a refusal by the guard to receive the same was unreasonable and improper shall be upon the person tendering the bicycle, tricycle, or velocipede for carriage.
- (c.) The person entitled to receive any such bicycle, tricycle, or velocipede on its arrival at its destination shall immediately after such arrival attend to receive the same, and shall with all reasonable speed remove the same from the station, and the same shall until actual removal remain at the sole risk of such person; and in every case the person claiming any such bicycle, tricycle, or velocipede shall before such removal deliver to some servant of the company the receipt given for the same when delivered for carriage.
- (d.) Any bicycle, tricycle, or velocipede not removed as aforesaid within twenty minutes after arrival at

its destination will be treated and dealt with in manner provided in regard to passengers' luggage by section 17 of the by-laws of the company made and issued on the 20th day of June, 1894.

(e.) No claim for compensation for damage or injury alleged to have been done to any such bicycle, tricycle, or velocipede during transit shall in any case be available against the company unless made in writing, specifying the nature of such damage or injury, and delivered to some servant of the company before its actual removal from the station at which it was discharged; and the onus of proof that such damage or injury was occasioned through negligence on the part of the company shall in all cases lie upon the person making such claim.

2. The by-laws made by the company on the said 20th day of June, 1894, are to be read with and incorporated with this by-law so far as may be necessary for giving full effect to any of the provisions thereof.

In witness whereof the seal of the company has been hereunto affixed by order of the directors of the company on the 3rd day of February, 1897.

396 (L.S.) W. M. HANNAY, General Manager.

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