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*Deep Creek, in the Provincial District of Nelson, declared to be a Watercourse.*

(L.S.) JAMES PRENDERGAST,  
Administrator of the Government.  
A PROCLAMATION.

WHEREAS by the one hundred and fifty-second section of "The Mining Act, 1891" (hereinafter termed "the said Act"), it is enacted that the Governor in Council may from time to time, by Proclamation published in the *Gazette*, proclaim and declare that any watercourse shall be a watercourse into which tailings, mining *débris*, and waste water of any kind used in, upon, or discharged from any claim or licensed holding shall be suffered to flow or be discharged:

And whereas no less than ninety days' notice has been published, in the manner provided by the said section, that application has been made to the Governor to proclaim the watercourse hereinafter mentioned and its tributaries to be watercourses for the purposes of the said section mentioned:

And whereas no objection to the issue of the Proclamation has been transmitted to the Governor, and His Excellency has decided to exercise the powers conferred upon him by the said Act:

Now, therefore, His Excellency the Administrator of the Government of the Colony of New Zealand, in exercise of the powers conferred by the said Act, and acting by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of the said colony, doth hereby proclaim and declare that Deep Creek and its tributaries, in the Provincial District of Nelson, shall be watercourses into which tailings, mining *débris*, and waste water of every kind used in, upon, or discharged from any claim or licensed holding adjacent to such watercourse shall be suffered to flow or be discharged; and, with the like advice and consent, His Excellency doth hereby prescribe that this Proclamation shall take effect on and after the first day of June, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven.

Given under the hand of His Excellency the Administrator of the Government and issued under the Seal of the said Colony, at the Government House, at Wellington, this fifteenth day of February, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven.

A. J. CADMAN,  
Minister of Mines.

Approved in Council.  
ALEX. WILLIS,  
Clerk of the Executive Council.

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN!

*Recreation Reserve, Aroha Survey District.—Provisions of "The Mining Act, 1891," relating to Mining Districts and Wardens' Courts brought into Operation.*

(L.S.) JAMES PRENDERGAST,  
Administrator of the Government.

A PROCLAMATION.

BY virtue of the powers and authorities vested in me by section two hundred of "The Mining Act, 1891" (hereinafter termed "the said Act"), and of all other powers enabling me in this behalf, I, James Prendergast, Administrator of the Government of the Colony of New Zealand, acting by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of the said colony, do hereby proclaim and declare that all the provisions of the said Act relating to mining districts and to Wardens' Courts shall have operation within the land described in the Schedule hereto.

SCHEDULE.

ALL that parcel of land in the Auckland Land District, being Section No. 14A of Block IX., Aroha Survey District, and containing by admeasurement 52 acres 1 rood 10 perches, more or less. Bounded towards the north-east by Section No. 18 of Block IX., Aroha Survey District, and unsurveyed Crown lands, 3489 links; towards the south-east by Section No. 14c of Block IX. aforesaid, 1609 links; towards the south-west by Section No. 15 of the same block, 3495 links; and towards the north-west by a public road, 1624 links, to the point of commencement: be all the aforesaid linkages more or less.

Given under the hand of His Excellency the Administrator of the Government, at the Government House, at Wellington, and issued under the Seal of the said Colony, this fifteenth day of February, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven.

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**E**RRATA.—In *Gazette* No. 9, page 227, 25th January, 1897, clause 28 of Regulations for conducting the Survey of Land in New Zealand, in the third line, after the word "Reserve," insert the words "for approval," and read "Reserve for approval at least 100 links," &c.

Also, in *Gazette* No. 12, page 391, 4th February, 1897, Land Transfer Survey Regulations, in clause 1, for the words "of even date herewith," read "of 21st day of December, 1896."

Also, in *Gazette* No. 12, of the 4th February, 1897, page 364, under "Examination of Land Surveyors," for "17th March next," read "18th March next."

*Additional Rule under Bankruptcy Act.*

JAMES PRENDERGAST,  
Administrator of the Government.

## ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government House, at Wellington, this fifteenth day of February, 1897.

Present:

HIS EXCELLENCY THE ADMINISTRATOR OF THE GOVERNMENT  
IN COUNCIL.

IN pursuance and exercise of the powers and authorities in that behalf conferred on him by "The Bankruptcy Act, 1892," His Excellency the Administrator of the Government of the Colony of New Zealand, acting by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of the said colony, doth hereby make the following rule, and doth hereby order and declare that such rule shall take effect on and after the first day of April, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven.

## RULE.

1. Notwithstanding anything contained in the rules now in force under "The Bankruptcy Act, 1892," made the 21st day of March, 1893, and published in the *New Zealand Gazette* of the 23rd day of March, 1893, no fee shall be received or taken by the Registrar in respect of the public examination of any bankrupt.

ALEX. WILLIS,  
Clerk of the Executive Council.

*Time for Preparation of Roll under Gold Duty Abolition and Mining Property Rating Act extended, Grey County.*

JAMES PRENDERGAST,  
Administrator of the Government.

## ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government House, at Wellington, this fifteenth day of February, 1897.

Present:

HIS EXCELLENCY THE ADMINISTRATOR OF THE GOVERNMENT  
IN COUNCIL.

WHEREAS, the County Council of the Grey County having failed, through misadventure, to prepare the valuation-roll of mining property in the Grey County in the month of January, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven, as required by section seven of "The Gold Duty Abolition and Mining Property Rating Act, 1890," it is expedient to extend the time for preparing the said roll as hereinafter mentioned:

Now, therefore, His Excellency the Administrator of the Government of the Colony of New Zealand, in order that the purpose and intent of "The Gold Duty Abolition and Mining Property Rating Act, 1890," may have effect, and in pursuance and exercise of the powers vested in him by "The Rating Act, 1882," which said Act is incorporated with the first above-mentioned Act, and by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of the said colony, doth hereby extend the time for the preparation of the valuation-roll for the Grey County, under "The Gold Duty Abolition and Mining Property Rating Act, 1890," until the twentieth day of February, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven.

ALEX. WILLIS,  
Clerk of the Executive Council.

*Vesting Management of Wharf in Auckland Harbour in the Kauri Timber Company (Limited).*

JAMES PRENDERGAST,  
Administrator of the Government.

## ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government House, at Wellington, this fifteenth day of February, 1897.

Present:

HIS EXCELLENCY THE ADMINISTRATOR OF THE GOVERNMENT  
IN COUNCIL.

WHEREAS by section fourteen of "The Harbours Act, 1878" (hereinafter termed "the said Act"), it is enacted that the Governor in Council may vest the management of any wharf the property of Her Majesty in any local governing body or person, upon such terms and conditions as the Governor in Council thinks fit:

And whereas it is thought desirable to vest in the Kauri Timber Company (Limited) the management of a wharf situated in Auckland Harbour on the terms and conditions hereinafter set forth:

Now, therefore, His Excellency the Administrator of the Government of the Colony of New Zealand, acting by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of the

said colony, and in pursuance and exercise of the power and authority vested in him by the said fourteenth section of the said Act, and of all other powers and authorities in anywise enabling him in that behalf, doth hereby vest the management of the wharf aforesaid, as shown on plans marked M.D. 724, 725, and 726, and deposited in the office of the Marine Department at Wellington, in the Kauri Timber Company (Limited) (hereinafter called "the company"), subject to the following conditions:—

## CONDITIONS OF MANAGEMENT.

1. In these conditions the term "Minister" means the Minister having charge of the Marine Department, as defined by "The Shipping and Seamen's Act, 1877," and includes any officer, person, or authority acting by or under the direction of such Minister.

2. All persons shall at all reasonable times, upon payment of the proper dues, have free and full liberty to use the said wharf, and all rights of ingress and egress thereon and therefrom.

3. Her Majesty, or the Governor, and all officers in the Government service acting in the execution of their duty, shall at all times have free ingress, passage, and egress into, through, and out of the said wharf without payment.

4. The company shall maintain the above-mentioned wharf in good order and repair; and shall at all times exhibit therefrom and maintain at its own cost suitable and necessary lights for the guidance of vessels: Provided that no light shall be exhibited until after it has been approved of by the Minister.

5. Any person authorised by the Minister may at all reasonable times enter upon the said wharf and view the state of repair thereof; and upon such Minister leaving at or posting to the last-known address of the company a notice in writing of any defect or want of repair in such wharf, requiring it, within a reasonable time, to be therein prescribed, to repair the same, it shall with all convenient speed cause such defect to be removed or such repairs to be made.

6. The company shall not erect, or suffer to be erected, on the said wharf any building or structure whatever except with the consent of the Minister.

7. Nothing herein contained shall authorise the company to do or cause to be done anything repugnant to or inconsistent with any law relating to the Customs, or any regulation of the Commissioner of Trade and Customs, or with any provisions of "The Harbours Act, 1878," or its amendments, or any regulations made thereunder, and that are now or may hereafter be in force.

8. The ballast of all vessels loading at the said wharf shall be taken away by the company and deposited above high-water mark, or at such place as may be approved of by the Auckland Harbour Board.

9. The rights, powers, and privileges conferred by or under this Order in Council shall continue to be in force for fourteen years from the date hereof, unless in the meantime such rights, powers, and privileges shall be altered, modified, or revoked by competent authority; and the company shall not assign, charge, or part with any such right, power, or privilege without the written consent of the Minister first obtained.

10. The said rights, powers, and privileges may be at any time resumed by the Governor, without payment of any compensation whatever, on giving to the company six calendar months' previous notice in writing. Any such notice shall be sufficient if given by the Minister and delivered at or posted to the last-known registered office of the company in New Zealand.

11. The company shall be liable for any injury which the said wharf may cause any vessel or boat to sustain through any default or neglect on its part.

12. In consideration of the concessions and privileges granted by this Order in Council, the company shall, on being supplied with a copy thereof, pay to the Minister the sum of £3, and thereafter an annual sum of £2, dating from the 1st day of January, 1897; the first of such payments to be made on the company being supplied with a copy of this Order in Council.

13. In case the company shall—

- (1.) Commit or suffer a breach of the conditions hereinbefore set forth, or any of them;
- (2.) Cease to use or occupy the said wharf for a period of thirty days; or
- (3.) Be in any manner wound up or dissolved,

then and in either of the said cases this Order in Council, and every right, power, or privilege may be revoked and determined by the Governor in Council without any notice to the company or other proceeding whatsoever; and publication in the *New Zealand Gazette* of an Order in Council containing such revocation shall be sufficient notice to the company, and to all persons concerned or interested, of the facts stated in such Order in Council.

ALEX. WILLIS,  
Clerk of the Executive Council.

*Licensing J. Smyth and Co. to use and occupy a Part of the Foreshore of Kennedy Bay.*

JAMES PRENDERGAST,  
Administrator of the Government.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government House, at Wellington, this fifteenth day of February, 1897.

Present:

HIS EXCELLENCY THE ADMINISTRATOR OF THE GOVERNMENT  
IN COUNCIL.

WHEREAS, there being no Harbour Board empowered to grant the license hereinafter mentioned, John Smyth, of Auckland, timber merchant, trading under the style of John Smyth and Co. (hereinafter called "the licensee"), has applied to the Governor in Council for a license under "The Harbours Act Amendment Act, 1883" (hereinafter called "the said Act"), to occupy a part of the foreshore, in order to erect and maintain thereon a tramway in Kennedy Bay, in the Provincial District of Auckland; and, in accordance with the one hundred and fifty-sixth section of "The Harbours Act, 1878," has deposited a plan in the office of the Marine Department, at Wellington (marked M.D. 2115), showing the place in the said bay where it is intended to construct such tramway, and the area of foreshore intended to be occupied for such purpose: And whereas it has been made to appear to the Governor in Council that the proposed work will not be or tend to the injury of navigation; and the said plan has, prior to the making of this Order in Council, been approved by the Governor in Council: And whereas it is expedient that a license, under the said Act, for the purpose aforesaid, should be granted and issued to the licensee on the terms and conditions hereinafter expressed:

Now, therefore, His Excellency the Administrator of the Government of the Colony of New Zealand, in pursuance and exercise of the power and authority vested in him by the said Act, and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of the said colony, doth hereby approve of the purpose or object for which the said license is required by the licensee as aforesaid; and, in further pursuance and exercise of the said power and authority, and with the like advice and consent as aforesaid, doth hereby license and permit the licensee to use and occupy that part of the foreshore which is particularly shown and delineated on the plan so deposited as aforesaid, for the purpose of constructing or erecting thereon a tramway; such license to be held and enjoyed by the licensee upon and subject to the following terms and conditions, that is to say:—

1. In these conditions the term "Minister" means the Minister having charge of the Marine Department, as defined by "The Shipping and Seamen's Act, 1877," and includes any officer, person, or authority acting by or under the direction of such Minister.

2. The concessions and privileges conferred by this Order in Council shall extend and apply only to the part of the foreshore in Kennedy Bay shown in red on the said plan marked M.D. 2115.

3. In consideration of the concessions and privileges granted by this Order in Council, the licensee shall, on being supplied with a copy thereof, pay to the Minister the sum of two pounds ten shillings, and thereafter an annual sum of ten shillings, such annual payments to date from the first day of January, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven, and the first of such annual payments to be made to the Minister on a copy of this Order in Council being supplied to the licensee.

4. That the rights, powers, and privileges conferred by this Order in Council shall continue in force for fourteen years, computed from the date of this Order in Council, unless in the meantime such rights, powers, and privileges shall be altered, modified, or revoked by competent authority; and the licensee shall not assign, charge, or part with any such right, power, or privilege without the previous written consent of the Minister first obtained.

5. That the said rights, powers, and privileges may be at any time resumed by the Governor, and the licensee may be required to remove the tramway, at his own cost, without payment of any compensation whatever, on giving to the licensee three calendar months' previous notice in writing. Any such notice shall be sufficient if given by the Minister and delivered at or posted to the last known address of the licensee in New Zealand.

6. The licensee shall be liable for any injury which may be sustained by any vessel or boat in passing the tramway or by contact with it, and which may be occasioned by any default or neglect on his part.

7. In case the licensee shall—

- (1.) Commit or suffer a breach of the conditions hereinbefore set forth, or any of them;
- (2.) Cease to use or occupy the said tramway for a period of thirty days;

- (3.) Fail to pay the sums specified in clause three of these conditions; or
- (4.) Become bankrupt, or be in any manner brought under the operation of any law in force for the time being relating to bankruptcy,

then and in any of the said cases this Order in Council, and every right, power, or privilege, may be revoked and determined by the Governor in Council without any notice to the licensee or other proceeding whatsoever; and publication in the *New Zealand Gazette* of an Order in Council containing such revocation shall be sufficient notice to the licensee, and to all persons concerned or interested, that this Order in Council, and the rights and privileges thereby conferred, have been revoked and determined; and upon such revocation the Minister may cause the said tramway to be removed, and may recover the cost incurred by any such removal from the licensee.

8. The construction of the tramway shall be deemed to be an acceptance by the licensee of the conditions of this Order in Council.

ALEX. WILLIS,  
Clerk of the Executive Council.

*Shooting Season for Deer, License-fee, &c., County of Wairarapa South.*

JAMES PRENDERGAST,  
Administrator of the Government.

IN exercise of the powers vested in me by "The Animals Protection Act, 1880," and the Acts amending the same, I, James Prendergast, the Administrator of the Government of the Colony of New Zealand, do hereby notify that red deer (stags only) may be taken or killed within the County of Wairarapa South (excepting therefrom the area described in the Schedule hereto) from the first day of April to the thirtieth day of April, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven, both inclusive (subject, nevertheless, to the restrictions in the said Acts mentioned); and I do further notify that licenses to take or kill such game within the said district shall be issued on the payment of the sum of twenty shillings each; and the Chief Postmaster at Wellington, and the Postmasters at Masterton, Carterton, Greytown, and Featherston are hereby appointed to issue the said licenses; and I do further notify that the said licenses to take or kill such game within the said districts shall be issued subject to the following conditions, namely:—

1. That no licensee shall be allowed to kill more than three stags.
2. That no stag shall be killed carrying antlers with less than ten points.

SCHEDULE.

ALL that area of land in the Huangarua Survey District, in the County of Wairarapa South, being Sections 29 to 41, inclusive, 59, 71, 72, 75, 79, 83, 90, 93, 97, 98, and part of Sections 70, 74, 78, 82, 86, 89, 92, 91, 94, 95, 96, 87, and 84, now in the occupation of Mr. John Martin, and known as the Puratanga Estate or Station.

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

WM. HALL-JONES,  
Acting Colonial Secretary.

*Fiving Shooting Season for Native Game, License-fee, &c., Buller District.*

JAMES PRENDERGAST,  
Administrator of the Government.

IN exercise of the powers vested in me by "The Animals Protection Act, 1880," and "The Animals Protection Act Amendment Act, 1881," I, James Prendergast, Administrator of the Government of the Colony of New Zealand, do hereby notify that Native game, excepting tui, huia, white heron, and crested grebe, may be taken or killed within the Buller District, consisting of the County of Buller, from the first day of May, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven, to the thirty-first day of July, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven, both inclusive (subject, nevertheless, to the restrictions in the said Acts mentioned); and I do further notify that licenses to sell Native game shall be issued on payment of the sum of five pounds each; and the Chief Postmaster at Westport is hereby appointed to issue the said licenses.

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

WM. HALL-JONES,  
Acting Colonial Secretary.

*German Consul-General, Sydney, to receive Residue of Intestate Estates in certain Cases.*

PURSUANT to the provisions of the forty-ninth section of "The Public Trust Office Consolidation Act, 1894," I, James Prendergast, the Administrator of the Government of the Colony of New Zealand, do hereby notify that moneys or personal chattels payable or deliverable by the Public Trustee to the subjects of the German Empire resident therein may be paid or delivered to the Consul-General for the said empire resident at Sydney, in the Colony of New South Wales, who has been represented to me as the Chief Consular Officer of such empire as regards the Colony of New Zealand.

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

JAMES PRENDERGAST,  
Administrator of the Government.

*Removal of Restrictions on Alienation of Native Land.*

JAMES PRENDERGAST,  
Administrator of the Government.

WHEREAS application has been made to the Governor by the owner of the lands described in the Schedule hereto, praying that the restrictions on the alienation of such lands contained in the division orders made by the Native Land Court, under the provisions of "The Native Land Division Act, 1882," bearing date the third day of December, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-three, and now contained in the Crown grants bearing date respectively the eighteenth day of November, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-two, and the second day of June, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-three, may be removed: And whereas inquiry has been duly made by the Native Land Court, and the said Court has recommended that such restrictions be removed:

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

SCHEDULE.

ALL that parcel of land, containing 1 rood, being the land known as Kaiti No. 72 Block, held under Crown grant dated 18th November, 1892, in favour of Mere Whakaangi, and containing the following restrictions: "Inalienable by lease for a longer period than twenty-one years, and shall be otherwise inalienable except with the consent of the Governor."

All that parcel of land, containing 2 roods, being the land known as Kaiti Nos. 73 and 74 Blocks, held under Crown grant dated 2nd June, 1893, in favour of Mere Whakaangi, and containing the following restrictions: "Inalienable by lease for a longer period than twenty-one years, and shall be otherwise inalienable except with the consent of the Governor."

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

A. J. CADMAN,  
For Native Minister.

*Registrar of Marriages, &c., appointed.*

Colonial Secretary's Office,  
Wellington, 13th February, 1897.

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

WILLIAM ALFRED WHITE

to be Registrar of Marriages and of Births and Deaths, and also to be Vaccination Inspector, for the District of Tokomairiro, vice James Crow.

WM. HALL-JONES,  
Acting Colonial Secretary.

*Deputy Registrars of Marriages, &c., appointed.*

Colonial Secretary's Office,  
Wellington, 13th February, 1897.

HIS Excellency the Administrator of the Government has been pleased to appoint the under-mentioned gentlemen to be the Deputies of the Registrars of Marriages

and of Births and Deaths for the districts set respectively opposite their names, viz:—

Name.	District.
Andrew Allan .. ..	Timaru.
Tasman James Brownell .. ..	Little River.
Harry Gilbert Turner .. ..	Masterton.

WM. HALL-JONES,  
Acting Colonial Secretary.

*Cadet in Native Land Court Office appointed.*

Department of Justice,  
Wellington, 16th February, 1897.

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

JOHN FITZGERALD

to be a Cadet in the Native Land Court Office at Wellington, from the 3rd day of February, 1897.

A. J. CADMAN,  
For Native Minister.

*Cadet in Magistrate's Court appointed.*

Department of Justice,  
Wellington, 16th February, 1897.

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

WILLIS IDE COMBS

to be a Cadet in the Magistrate's Court at Palmerston North, from the 5th day of February, 1897.

A. J. CADMAN,  
For Minister of Justice.

*Members of Thames Harbour Board appointed.*

Marine Department,  
Wellington, 11th February, 1897.

HIS Excellency the Administrator of the Government has been pleased, in pursuance and exercise of the power and authority conferred upon him by section 7 of "The Thames Harbour Board Act, 1890," and of all other powers enabling him in that behalf, to appoint

GEORGE SMEATON CLARK and  
WILLIAM HENRY POTTS

to be members of the Thames Harbour Board, as from the 14th instant.

WM. HALL-JONES,  
Minister of Marine.

*Inspectors of Factories appointed.*

Department of Labour,  
Wellington, 9th February, 1897.

HIS Excellency the Administrator of the Government has been pleased to appoint the under-mentioned persons to be Inspectors under "The Factories Act, 1894," and to assign to them the districts set opposite their names, viz:—

Name.	District.
Constable FREDERICK BEATTIE	The North Island of the Colony of New Zealand, and the islands adjacent thereto.
Constable JOHN CLIFFORD ..	

WM. HALL-JONES,  
For Minister of Labour.

*Stamp and Land Transfer Officer appointed.*

Head Office, Stamp Department,  
Wellington, 12th February, 1897.

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

ROBERT LOFTUS STANFORD, Esq.,

to be Deputy Commissioner of Stamps, Assistant Registrar of Joint-stock Companies, District Land Registrar, Registrar of Deeds, and Examiner of Titles, at New Plymouth, on and from the 18th day of February, 1897.

J. CARROLL.

*Result of Poll for Proposed Loan, Borough of Palmerston North.*

Colonial Secretary's Office,  
Wellington, 12th February, 1897.

THE following notice, received from the Mayor of the Borough of Palmerston North, is published in accordance with the provisions of "The Local Bodies' Loans Act, 1886."

WM. HALL-JONES,  
Acting Colonial Secretary.

**BOROUGH OF PALMERSTON NORTH.**

RESULT of poll of ratepayers of the Borough of Palmerston North taken on Tuesday, the 9th February, 1897, upon the proposal to raise a loan of £2,000, under "The Local Bodies' Loans Act, 1886," for the purpose of erecting municipal buildings:—

Number of ratepayers on roll, 924, representing 1,075 votes: Number of votes recorded for the proposal, 291; number of votes recorded against the proposal, 17.

I therefore declare the proposal not carried.

W. T. WOOD,  
Mayor.

*Special Order made by the Otago Road Board, County of Southland.*

Colonial Secretary's Office,  
Wellington, 15th February, 1897.

THE following special order, made by the Otago Road Board, is published in accordance with the provisions of "The Road Boards Act, 1882."

WM. HALL-JONES,  
Acting Colonial Secretary.

**OTARAIA ROAD DISTRICT.**

THE following special order was passed at a special meeting of the Otago Road Board, of the Otago Road District, Otago, New Zealand, held on the 10th day of February, 1897, viz:—

"That there be forthwith raised a special loan of £1,800 to pay off a loan previously raised, and secured upon a special rate, and now matured, and that debentures for seven years, and bearing interest at 4½ per cent. per annum, be created; and, further, that, for providing the interest and sinking fund upon the loan, a special rate be made and levied over the whole district, payable annually on the 1st September, and which rate shall at least amount to £117 for the year, and shall be at the rate of ¾d. in the pound, and may be increased or diminished."

I certify that the special order of which the foregoing is a true copy has been duly passed in terms of the statute thereanent.

Dated this 11th day of February, 1897.

ARCH. FLETCHER,  
Clerk of the Otago Road Board.

*Special Order made by the Waitotara-Momohaki Road Board, County of Patea.*

Colonial Secretary's Office  
Wellington, 17th February, 1897.

THE following special order, made by the Waitotara-Momohaki Road Board, is published in accordance with the provisions of "The Road Boards Act, 1882."

WM. HALL-JONES,  
Acting Colonial Secretary.

**SPECIAL ORDER.**

THAT a special rating district, the boundaries of which are defined below, be now formed; and that a special rate of ¾d. in the pound sterling be now made and levied upon the valuations of all the properties in such special rating district, such special rate to be for the term of one year, commencing 16th January, 1897, and ending 15th January, 1898, and to be payable in one instalment on the 1st day of February, 1897.

That the proceeds of such special rate, after paying cost of collection, be used towards the cost of deviation of the Ngutu Valley Road-line through Section 27, Block III., Wairoa Survey District (Laird's Flat), the estimated cost of such deviation being £120.

That the boundaries of such special rating district shall be as follows: Commencing at the south-east corner of Section 27, Block III., Wairoa Survey District, and following the southern boundary of that section to where it joins the Richardson Ridge Road; thence in a northerly direction by that road-line to the south boundary of Section 1, Block IV., Omahine Survey District; thence by the southern boundary of that section to its south-east corner; thence by the eastern boundaries of Sections 1, 8, 12, 10, and 11, Block IV., Omahine Survey District, to the provincial boundary-line; thence by the provincial boundary-line to its junction with the confiscation boundary-line; thence by the confiscation boundary-line to the eastern boundary of Section 31, Block XIII., Momohaki Survey District; thence by the eastern boundaries of Sections 31, 27, and 28 to the University Reserve; thence by the north and west boundaries of that reserve to the Puaō road-line; thence by the south

boundaries of Sections 19 and 17, Block IV., Wairoa Survey District, to Trig. Station X; thence by a straight line to the north-east corner of Section 27, Block III., Wairoa Survey District; and thence by the eastern boundary of that section to the starting-point.

I hereby certify that the above special order has been duly made by the Waitotara-Momohaki Road Board as required by "The Road Boards Act, 1882."

FREDK. R. FIELD,  
Secretary,  
Waitotara-Momohaki Road Board.  
Waitotara, 15th February, 1897.

*Notice as to the Day for closing under "The Shops and Shop-assistants Act, 1894."*

WHEREAS the local authorities respectively mentioned in the first column of the Schedule hereto have duly notified to me that the days upon which the shops in their respective districts shall be closed, pursuant to the provisions of "The Shops and Shop-assistants Act, 1894," are the days set opposite their respective names in the second column of the said Schedule: Now, therefore, in exercise of the powers in this behalf conferred upon me by the said Act, I, William Hall-Jones, acting for and on behalf of the Minister of Labour, do hereby appoint that the said respective days shall be the days upon which all shops within the said respective districts shall be closed.

**SCHEDULE.**

Auckland .. .. .	Wednesday.
Wellington .. .. .	"
Dunedin .. .. .	"
Christchurch .. .. .	Thursday.

WM. HALL-JONES,  
For Minister of Labour.

*Notice of Intention to take Private Land in the Parish of Hikurangi for a Tramway to be used in Connection with the Working of a Coal-mine.*

WHEREAS the Hikurangi Collieries (Limited) has made application, under the provisions of the sixty-first section of "The Coal-mines Act, 1891," to take the land described in the Schedule hereto for the purpose of constructing thereon a tramway to connect the said company's coal-mine with the Whangarei-Kamo Railway Extension:

Now, therefore, notice is hereby given that the land described in the Schedule hereto is required to be taken, under the provisions of "The Public Works Act, 1894," and "The Coal-mines Act, 1891," for a tramway to be used in connection with the working of a coal-mine. And notice is hereby further given that a plan showing the area of the land so required to be taken is deposited in the Post-office, Hikurangi, and is there open for inspection; and that all persons affected by the taking of the said land should, if they have any well-grounded objections thereto, set forth such objections in writing, and send such writing, within forty days from the first publication of this notice, to the Minister of Mines, Wellington.

**SCHEDULE.**

THE parcel of land mentioned hereunder:—

Approximate Area of the Parcel of Land required to be taken.	Being Portion of	Situated in Block No.	Situated in the Survey District of
A. R. P. 2 1 33	S.W. portion of Lot 39	XVI.	Hukerenui.

In the Provincial District of Auckland; as the same is more particularly delineated on the plan marked P.W.D. 17877, deposited in the office of the Minister for Public Works, at Wellington, in the Provincial District of Wellington, and thereon coloured red.

As witness my hand, at Wellington, this sixteenth day of February, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven.

A. J. CADMAN,  
Minister of Mines.

Settlement of Claims for Compensation under "The Mining Act, 1891."

Mines Department,  
Wellington, 18th February, 1897.

IN pursuance of the provisions of the 153rd section of "The Mining Act, 1891," it is hereby notified that the claims for compensation enumerated in the Schedule hereto, in respect to a Proclamation issued under the hand of His Excellency the Governor and the Public Seal of the Colony on the 1st day of February, 1897, declaring that the New River and Red Jack's and No Town Creeks, with their tributaries, in the Provincial Districts of Westland and Nelson respectively, shall be watercourses into which tailings, &c., may be discharged, have been settled by agreement, as provided by the said Act.

A. J. CADMAN,  
Minister of Mines.

SCHEDULE.

Name of Claimant.	Description of Property.
NEW RIVER.	
Peter Giffney ..	Sections 30 to 37, Town of Marsden; Section 1294, Grey Survey District.
G. H. Russell ..	Sections 1258 to 1261 and 1416, Block IV., Waimea Survey District.
Adam Blair ..	Sections 1262, 1293, 1455, and 1367, Block VIII., Waimea Survey District.
W. J. Coates ..	Section 1185, Block VIII., Waimea Survey District.
NO TOWN CREEK.	
William Adams ..	Section 3, and house at No Town.
J. M. Clifford ..	Section 8, Township of No Town.
John Coutie and B. G. Howe	Section 5, Block I., No Town.
Jeremiah McCarthy	Sections 1A, 3A, 11, 12, 17, and 20, Township of No Town; Section 41, Block VII., Mawheranui Survey District.
Timothy Mullins	Section 104, Block X., Mawheranui Survey District.
William Low ..	Section 2, Brunner Parade.
P. Gillin ..	Sections 17 and 20, Block X., and Section 101, Blocks VI. and X., Grey Survey District.
John Egan ..	Section 108, Block X., Mawheranui Survey District.
P. Finegan ..	Section 24, Square 118, Grey Survey District.
T. Rundle, sen. ..	Sections 4 and 6, Township of No Town, and residence area.
John Marson ..	Section 13, Block I., Township of No Town, and Residence Area No. 1264.
T. Kelly ..	Section 19, Block X., Mawheranui Survey District.
RED JACK'S CREEK.	
Messrs. George and Alex. Gamble	Section 42, Block VII., Mawheranui Survey District.
M. McLaughlin ..	Sections 29, 41, 42, and 43, Block VII., Mawheranui Survey District.
John Dorrian ..	Sections 1A, 2, 3, and 4, Square 123, Grey Survey District.
John Baybutt ..	Section 48, Block VI., and Section 49, Block VII., Mawheranui Survey District.

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.

*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.

*Examination of Land-surveyors.*

Department of Lands and Survey,

Wellington, 30th January, 1897.

IN accordance with the regulations for the examination of surveyors under "The Land Act, 1892," as published in the *New Zealand Gazette* of the 5th March, 1896, it is hereby notified that the third examination thereunder will be held on the 18th March next.

S. PERCY SMITH,  
Chairman of the Board of Examiners.

*Monthly Steam-service between Bluff or Invercargill and Puysegur Point and Cromarty.*

General Post Office,

Wellington, 16th February, 1897.

TENDERS will be received by the Chief Postmaster, Invercargill, until Tuesday, 2nd March proximo, for the performance of the following alternative steam-services, once monthly and once fortnightly, for a term of twelve months from about the 1st April, 1897, to the 31st March, 1898:—

1. Between Bluff or Invercargill and Cromarty, direct;
2. Between Bluff or Invercargill and Cromarty, calling each way at Puysegur Point.

The steamer is to remain at Cromarty eight hours on each voyage.

Forms of tender, and terms and conditions of contract, may be obtained on application to the Chief Post-offices at Dunedin and Invercargill, and the Post-office at Bluff.

The lowest or any tender will not necessarily be accepted. The Postmaster-General will reserve the right to terminate the service on giving one month's notice in writing.

W. GRAY,  
Secretary.

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

Public Trust Office,

Wellington, 16th 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.

Mary Sherlock, late of Rockdale, Sydney, in the Colony of New South Wales. Filed on the 8th day of February, 1897.

James Bateman, late of Ponsonby, in the Provincial District of Auckland, labourer. Filed on the 9th day of February, 1897.

John Smith, late of Frankton, in the Provincial District of Otago, shepherd. Filed on the 9th day of February, 1897.

John Frederick Ericson, late of Addison, in the Provincial District of Westland, miner. Filed on the 9th day of February, 1897.

Mary Ann Smith, late of St. Albans, in the Provincial District of Canterbury, nurse. Filed on the 9th day of February, 1897.

William Charles Bowden, late of Palmerston North, in the Provincial District of Wellington, labourer. Filed on the 9th day of February, 1897.

Isaac Buckley, late of Whakatane, in the Provincial District of Auckland, contractor. Filed on the 9th day of February, 1897.

Marinus Friesbourg, *alias* Felseneck, *alias* Leslie Aschby, late of Kaitiaki, in the Provincial District of Auckland. Filed on the 9th day of February, 1897.

Thomas Stewart, late of Blenheim, in the Provincial District of Marlborough, police constable. Filed on the 9th day of February, 1897.

William H. Probert, late of Dunlop, in Colony of New South Wales, farmer. Filed on the 9th day of February, 1897.

JAMES C. MARTIN,  
Public Trustee.

*Tenders for Uniform Caps for Stationmasters, New Zealand Government Railways, 1897.*

Railway Department,

Wellington, 4th February, 1897.

THE following list of tenders is published for general information.

By order.

T. RONAYNE,  
General Manager, New Zealand Railways.

Tenderer.	Address.	Rate.	Remarks.
T. Parker and Co. ..	Napier ..	s. d. 9 0	Accepted.
C. Hill and Sons ..	Wellington ..	9 6	Declined.
V. Almas ..	" ..	10 3	"

*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, Otawahao Block, in Block III., Takapau Survey District, Waipawa County. Bounded on the north by Blocks 284 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, carcase, or any portion thereof shall be removed except under the direction of an Inspector of Stock:—

All that piece or parcel of land, known as the Te Aute Run, situated in the Waipawa, Hawke's Bay, and Patangata Counties, bounded as follows: Commencing at the Te Aute Railway-station, thence in a northerly direction along the boundary of the Te Hauke Proclaimed District to the point where the prolongation of the boundary between Lots 1 and 2 of the Ngawhakatatara 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 Pouputahi 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.

Government Observatory.

METEOROLOGICAL Observations, Wellington, for the month of January, 1897. Altitude above the sea, 140ft. Observations taken at 9.30 a.m.

Date.	Barometer reduced and corrected, in Inches.	From Self-registering Instruments, for Twenty-four Hours previously.						Rainfall, in Inches.	Veloc. Wind, in Miles.	Amount of Cloud, 0 to 10.	Direction of Wind.
		Max. Temp. in Shade.	Min. Temp. in Shade.	Mean Temp. in Shade.	Solar Radiation.	Terrestrial Radiation.	Rainfall, in Inches.				
1	29.990	63.5	45.0	54.2	123	35	.010	100	4	N.W.	
2	29.800	65.5	55.5	60.5	125	47	..	450	5	N.W.	
3	29.890	69.0	58.0	63.5	130	48	..	380	4	N.W.	
4	30.141	76.0	56.5	66.2	145	44	..	170	3	N.W.	
5	30.154	70.0	59.0	64.5	125	51	..	370	5	N.W.	
6	29.825	69.0	60.7	64.8	133	52	..	480	6	N.W.	
7	30.131	69.0	59.0	64.0	130	48	.230	370	3	S.E.	
8	30.438	70.0	49.0	59.5	127	40	..	140	3	N.E.	
9	30.484	75.5	58.3	66.9	133	46	..	110	4	N.W.	
10	30.450	75.0	61.3	68.1	132	49	..	240	4	N.W.	
11	30.332	73.0	61.0	67.0	130	52	..	290	3	N.W.	
12	30.190	81.0	62.0	71.5	142	54	..	260	5	N.W.	
13	29.914	73.0	62.9	67.9	136	55	..	460	4	N.W.	
14	29.792	72.0	64.0	68.0	135	56	.020	400	6	N.W.	
15	29.897	66.5	54.0	60.2	123	50	3.200	120	4	S.E.	
16	30.074	71.5	54.0	62.7	128	52	..	90	3	N.W.	
17	30.130	77.0	59.5	68.2	135	50	..	100	4	N.W.	
18	30.028	79.0	65.0	72.0	143	59	.050	180	3	N.W.	
19	29.837	80.5	64.5	72.5	136	53	..	100	4	N.W.	
20	29.673	77.0	59.5	68.2	145	53	.870	480	4	N.W.	
21	29.668	69.0	59.0	64.0	130	50	.010	310	6	N.W.	
22	29.550	71.0	59.0	65.0	130	52	..	340	3	N.W.	
23	29.756	73.0	56.0	64.5	135	50	.006	150	3	S.E.	
24	29.750	66.0	51.0	58.5	140	42	..	280	4	N.W.	
25	29.593	70.0	59.8	64.9	128	51	.020	270	4	N.W.	
26	29.989	75.5	54.0	64.7	143	41	..	120	3	S.	
27	30.074	72.0	53.0	62.5	130	42	..	70	3	N.	
28	29.982	75.0	60.0	67.5	133	52	..	340	3	N.W.	
29	29.790	71.5	62.7	67.1	128	55	..	300	5	N.W.	
30	29.612	69.0	55.0	62.0	105	50	1.930	300	7	S.	
31	30.000	60.0	53.0	56.5	90	40	1.700	520	7	S.E.	
*	29.964	71.6	57.8	64.7	130.5	49.0	8.046	265	4.1	..	
†	29.862	..	..	62.6	..	..	3.905	..	..	..	

\* Means. † Same month previous years.

NOTE.—On the whole a wet month, with intervals of fine warm weather; heavy rain in middle and end of month—3.20in. recorded on 15th, being the maximum fall; strong N.W. winds prevailed, and gales or high winds on ten days. Maximum temperature in shade 81°, minimum 45°; mean temperature of dew-point, 53°; mean humidity, 66. Earthquake on 14th, at 11.40 a.m., two slight movements N. and S.

R. B. GORE, Observer.

Crown Lands Notices.

Reserve at Methven, Canterbury, for Lease by Public Tender.

District Lands and Survey Office,  
Christchurch, 28th January, 1897.

NOTICE is hereby given, in terms of "The Public Reserves Act, 1881," that written tenders for the lease of the under-mentioned reserve will be received at this office up to 5 p.m. on Thursday, 4th March, 1897. Tenders must be addressed to the undersigned, and be indorsed "Tender for part of Reserve 2026." They must state the purpose for which the land is required, and must be accompanied by a remittance by marked cheque or post-office order for the amount of nine months' rent at the rate offered, and £1 ls. lease-fee.

The highest or any tender will not necessarily be accepted. Part of Reserve 2026, adjacent to the Methven Railway-station yard. Area, 3 acres 1 rood. Term of lease, 14 years. Plan of the land and conditions of lease may be seen at the railway-station, Methven, and at this office.

SIDNEY WEETMAN,  
Commissioner of Crown Lands.



## Pastoral Leases, Marlborough, for Lease by Public Auction.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

*Run No. 126 (Kincaid).*—Situate about five miles up the Hapuku and Puhipuhi (Buehue) 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 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.

*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.

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 362a, 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 206d (Class I.), Maniototo County: Area, 3,940 acres; term, 21 years; upset annual rental, £5. This run is situated between the Kyeburn Hundred and the summit of the Kakanui Range, with outlet by tracks to Kyeburn and Naseby. Altitude, 2,000ft. to 5,000ft.

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

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

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

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

J. P. MAITLAND,  
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

*Pastoral Runs, Otago, for Lease.*

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

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

PASTORAL LANDS.

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

Run 186, Tuapeka and Taieri Counties: Area, 25,880 acres; term, ten years; upset annual rental, £250; valuation for improvements, £1,107 18s. The southern part of this run lies about one mile from Waipori Town, and extends north to the Lee and Deep Streams. Highest point, 2,400ft. Present licensee, Mr. George Nichol. Possession, 1st March, 1897.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

J. P. MAITLAND,  
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

*Pastoral Runs, Otago, for Lease.*

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

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

PASTORAL LANDS.

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

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

Run 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 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.

*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.		
				A.	R.	P.	s. d.	£	s. d.	
<b>FIRST-CLASS PASTORAL COUNTRY.</b>										
36117	Hakataramea	X., XI.,	992	0	0	1	0	49	12	0
36205	"	XIV., XV.,	2,840	0	0	0	9	106	10	0
36388	{ Nimrod .. Waihao ..	XVI.,	4,536	0	0	0	10	189	0	0
		XIV., XV.,								
<b>SECOND-CLASS PASTORAL COUNTRY.</b>										
36389	Nimrod ..	XIII.,	8,796	0	0	0	7	256	11	0
36390	{ Hak'taramea Waihao ..	IV.,								
36220	Nimrod ..	I., II.,	1,887	1	0	0	7	55	1	0
36503	" ..	III.,	3,815	3	8	0	7	111	6	0
		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.	
				A.	R.	P.	s. d.	£	s. d.
1	7, 11	I.	Mangaone ..	160	0	0	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.
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FIRST-CLASS PASTORAL COUNTRY.  
*Maniototo County.*

			A.	R. P.	s. d.	£ s. d.
Gimmerburn	2	V.	3,148	3 10	0 6	39 7 3
Ditto ..	{ 2 & 3 21 & 22	{ XI. III. }	7,456	0 18	0 6	93 4 0

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

*Taieri County.*

Strath Taieri	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, £368 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." Signature.

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.
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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.
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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.
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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.
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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.
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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.
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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.
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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.
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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.—MACENZIE COUNTY.—BURKE AND TENGAWAI SURVEY DISTRICTS.  
First-class Pastoral Country.

Section.	Survey District.	Block.	Area.				Rent per Acre.	Annual Rental.	
			A.	R.	P.	d.		£	s. 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 ..	XII.	1,200	0	0	8	40	0	0
	Tengawai ..	IX.							
36463	Burke ..	XII., XVI.	1,400	0	0	8	46	13	4
	Tengawai ..	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—

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

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

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

\* Place of abode or occupation. † Here specify.

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.

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.

Lands in Southland open for Sale or Selection.

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

THE under-mentioned Crown lands will be open for sale or selection, in terms of section 136 of "The Land Act, 1892," either for cash, for occupation with right of purchase, or for lease in perpetuity, at the option of the selector, on and after Thursday, the 4th March, 1897.

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

SCHEDULE.

SOUTHLAND LAND DISTRICT.

County.	District.	Section.	Block.	Area.	Cash Price.		Occupation with Right of Purchase: Rent, 5 per Cent.		Lease in Perpetuity: Rent, 4 per Cent.	
					Per Acre.	Total Price.	Rent per Acre.	Half-yearly Rent.	Rent per Acre.	Half-yearly Rent.
FIRST-CLASS LAND.										
Southland	Waikawa ..	7	VII.	127 1 0	£ 1 0 0	£ 127 5 0	s. d. 1 0	£ s. d. 3 3 8	s. d. 0 9 6	£ s. d. 2 10 11
Land undulating, covered with bush of no commercial value; soil fair; height above sea-level, from 100ft. to 950ft.; distance from Waikawa about three miles.										
SECOND-CLASS LAND.										
Southland	Campbell'n	43	III.	93 0 36	£ 0 10 0	£ 46 12 3	s. d. 0 6	£ s. d. 1 3 4	s. d. 0 4 8	£ 0 18 8
"	"	44	"	79 0 16	£ 0 10 0	£ 39 11 0	s. d. 0 6	£ s. d. 0 19 9	s. d. 0 4 8	£ 0 15 10
"	"	26	XI.	158 1 22	£ 0 10 0	£ 79 3 11	s. d. 0 6	£ s. d. 1 19 7	s. d. 0 4 8	£ 1 11 8
Land flat, covered with manuka scrub; wet and peaty in places. Section 26, Block XI., is burdened with £10 valuation for fencing.										
Southland	Toetoes ..	13	X.	205 3 17	£ 0 15 0	£ 154 7 11	s. d. 0 9	£ s. d. 3 17 2	s. d. 0 7 2	£ 3 1 9
"	"	14	"	258 1 13	£ 0 15 0	£ 193 15 0	s. d. 0 9	£ s. d. 4 16 10	s. d. 0 7 2	£ 3 17 6
A portion is open land, the remainder being covered with mixed bush; land undulating; situated about seven miles and a half from Fortrose, accessible by road.										
Wallace ..	Centre Hill	1	XIV.	217 2 30	£ 0 10 0	£ 108 16 10	s. d. 0 6	£ s. d. 2 14 5	s. d. 0 4 8	£ 2 3 6
Open, hilly, tussock-clad land, well watered; distance by road from Mossburn Railway-station, about twelve miles.										
Southland	Waimumu..	34	..	399 0 0	£ 0 10 0	£ 199 10 0	s. d. 0 6	£ s. d. 4 19 9	s. d. 0 4 8	£ 3 19 10
This section is covered with scrub, but there are a few red-pine, black-pine, and kowhai trees; soil, black loam, is broken and stony in parts; height above sea-level, from 600ft. to 1,400ft.; distance by road from Mataura Township is about fourteen miles.										
Southland	New River	27	X.	56 0 16	£ 0 12 6	£ 35 1 3	s. d. 0 7½	£ s. d. 0 17 6	s. d. 0 6	£ 0 14 0
Land is for the most part covered with scrub and timber, fit only for firewood; soil peaty; height above sea-level, 50ft.; distance from Ryal Bush Railway-station, by partly-formed road, about five miles.										
Wallace ..	Waiau ..	115	..	57 0 35	£ 0 12 6	£ 35 13 3	s. d. 0 7 5	£ s. d. 0 17 11	s. d. 0 6	£ 0 14 4
"	"	116	..	59 3 16	£ 0 12 6	£ 37 8 1	s. d. 0 7 5	£ s. d. 0 18 9	s. d. 0 6	£ 0 15 0
Land level; soil poor; gravel formation; vegetation, silver-tussock and fern; height above sea-level, from 300ft. to 350ft.; distance from Otautau Railway-station, about twenty-five miles by a good summer road.										
Southland	Otara ..	29	VI.	138 0 0	£ 1 2 6	£ 155 5 0	s. d. 1 1½	£ s. d. 3 17 8	s. d. 0 10½	£ 3 2 1
"	"	34	"	314 0 0	£ 0 15 0	£ 235 10 0	s. d. 0 9	£ s. d. 5 17 9	s. d. 0 7½	£ 4 14 2
"	"	36	"	315 0 0	£ 0 15 0	£ 236 5 0	s. d. 0 9	£ s. d. 5 18 2	s. d. 0 7½	£ 4 14 6
"	"	39	"	264 2 1	£ 0 15 0	£ 198 7 8	s. d. 0 9	£ s. d. 4 19 2	s. d. 0 7½	£ 3 19 4
"	"	44	"	267 0 0	£ 0 15 0	£ 200 5 0	s. d. 0 9	£ s. d. 5 0 2	s. d. 0 7½	£ 4 0 1
"	"	45	"	244 0 0	£ 0 15 0	£ 183 0 0	s. d. 0 9	£ s. d. 4 11 6	s. d. 0 7½	£ 3 13 2
"	"	46	"	282 0 0	£ 0 15 0	£ 211 10 0	s. d. 0 9	£ s. d. 5 5 9	s. d. 0 7½	£ 4 4 7
This land is undulating pastoral country, mostly covered with bush of no commercial value, and is well watered; the distance from Fortrose is about eleven miles, and the height above sea-level varies from 400ft. to 760ft.										

D. BARRON,  
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

## 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 . . . } Upset price, £350.  
About 544,000ft. singed and green kauri }

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.

## 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.	£	s.	d.
1	IX.	159 3 15	0	2	0	8	0	0
2	"	190 3 24	0	3	0	14	6	6
13	"	116 1 14	0	2	4	6	15	9
10	XIII.	105 0 0	0	7	4 3	19	6	4
11	"	97 0 0	0	6	8 4	16	7	6

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.		
			£	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.

## Native Land Court Notices.

## Additional Rules and Regulations of the Native Land Court.

WHEREAS by "The Native Land Court Act, 1894," it is enacted that the Chief Judge of the Court may from time to time, with the approval of the Governor in Council, make and prescribe rules of practice and procedure and forms of proceedings in the several matters in which jurisdiction is or may be conferred on the Court, and for fixing the fees to be paid under the said Act: And whereas by "The Native Land Laws Amendment Act, 1895," it is enacted that the said last-mentioned Act shall, so far as relates to the Native Land Court and the Native Appellate Court, be read with and as part of "The Native Land Court Act, 1894": And whereas the Chief Judge of the said Court, in exercise of the power and authority aforesaid, with the approval of the Governor in Council, made and prescribed the rules and regulations, and prescribed the forms and fees, set forth in an Order in Council dated the 19th day of February, 1895, and in an Order in Council dated the 20th day of February, 1896: And whereas it is expedient to further exercise the power and authority aforesaid:

Now, therefore, I, George Boutflower Davy, Esquire, Chief Judge of the said Court, in exercise of the power and authority given to me by the hereinbefore-recited Acts, do hereby make the further rules and regulations, and prescribe the fees and forms of procedure, following, that is to say,—

## APPLICATIONS, NOTICES, &amp;c.

153. The notification in the *Gazette* and *Kahiti* of a sitting of the Court to deal with any matter in respect whereof the Court is authorised or empowered by Order in Council, or by the express provisions of any statute, shall be sufficient authority for the Court to proceed in terms of such Order in Council or statutory provision, and no application under Rule 5 shall in such case be necessary.

154. Rule 143 shall extend to applications received after the date of the sitting of the Court, but before the actual hearing.

155. There shall be payable to the Registrar, by stamp affixed to every application for a special notification under Rule 78, a fee of 10s. in addition to such sum as may by Rule 78 be required to be deposited for cost of printing and circulating such notice.

156. The fee payable on lodging an application under section 39 of "The Native Land Court Act, 1894," shall be received in cash and paid by the Registrar into his Law Trust Account pending decision by the Chief Judge as to whether such application is a proper one to be dealt with under the said section. If the application cannot be so dealt with, the fee shall upon the direction of the Chief Judge be returnable to the applicant.

## WILLS.

157. There shall be lodged with every application for probate a schedule of the blocks claimed to be affected thereby, which schedule shall be signed by the applicant or by his duly-authorized agent. The Registrar may require the applicant to furnish as many copies of the application as there are blocks affected, and shall attach to the title-file of each block a copy of or notice of such application.

158. The Registrar may dispense with the translation under Rule 140, but such translation, if required, must be certified as correct by a licensed interpreter.

159. Rules 26 and 31 shall be read subject to section 50 of "The Native Land Laws Amendment Act, 1895."

## RULES AMENDED.

160. Rule 63 shall be read as if the words "under section 73 of the Act" had been omitted.

161. Rule 133 is amended by substituting the word "application" for "intention" in the third line thereof.

162. Rule 126 is amended by omitting the words "and in the offices thereof."

## HOLIDAYS.

163. The holidays in the offices of the Registrars of the Court shall be the same as are observed in the offices of the Government generally.

As witness my hand, this eighth day of February, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven.

GEO. B. DAVY,  
Chief Judge.

Approved in Council.

ALEX. WILLIS,  
Clerk of the Executive Council.

15th February, 1897.

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

Registrar's Office, Auckland, 10th February, 1897.

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

JAS. W. BROWNE, Registrar.

THE ALIENATION ABOVE REFERRED TO.

No.	Nature of Alienation.	Date.	Name of Land.	Names of Parties.
1	Transfer (C.A. 97-10) ..	..	Lot 17, Section A, of part of Opatito Block No. 3774B	Rihitoto Mataia, of Paeroa, to Alexander Mackay, of Auckland.

"The Native Land Court Act, 1894."

Registrar's Office, Gisborne, 8th 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 Gisborne on the 15th day of March, 1897, or as soon thereafter as the business of the Court will allow.

JOHN BROOKING, Registrar.

[Gisborne, 97-11.]

SCHEDULE.

APPLICATIONS FOR CONFIRMATION OF ALIENATIONS.

No.	Nature of Alienation.	Date.	Name of Land.	Names of Parties.
8	Transfer (2-265) ..	5th December, 1896	Kourateuwhi No. 2G ..	Arapeta Rangiuia, Mere Rangiuia, and Nopera Rangiuia, to Andrew Reeves.
9	Lease (2-263) ..	6th October, 1896	Section 14, Kaiti ..	Edward Francis Harris and Mihi Paraire (trustees for Rutene te Eke) to John McDowell.
10	Lease (2-267) ..	20th January, 1897	Lot 3, Pouawa No. 1 ..	Edward Francis Harris (otherwise Eruera Harete) and John Coleman to W. D. Lysnar.
11	Lease (2-266) ..	20th January, 1897	Lot 4 of Section 7, part of Pouawa No. 1	Edward Francis Harris (otherwise Eruera Harete) and John Coleman to W. D. Lysnar.
12	Lease (2-267) ..	20th January, 1897	Lot 8, Pouawa No. 1	Edward Francis Harris (otherwise Eruera Harete) and John Coleman to W. D. Lysnar.
13	Transfer (2-265) ..	29th April, 1895	Whatatuna No. 2A <sup>1</sup> ..	Miriama Whakahira, Apera Taitu, Hariata Haraki, and Hapeta Haraki, to John Clark.
14	Lease (2-265) ..	16th March, 1896	Arai-Matawai (or Wai-mata)	Ranginui, Hapi Kiniha, Meri Wakatere, Hoani Matiaha, Otene Wiwini (as trustee for Pouri), Marara te Kuri, Marara te Kuri (as trustee for Tuta te Kuri), and Hineituhia, to James Sистерton and Alexander McRae.
15	Transfer (2-265) ..	13th September, 1895	Waihora No. 2B ..	Rangikohera to Charles Gray.
16	Transfer (2-265) ..	27th February, 1893	Whatatuna No. 2A <sup>1</sup> ..	Heta Haraki to John Clark.
17	Conveyance (2-267) ..	28th January, 1897	Makauri No. 18A ..	Pera te Hikumate to H. G. Tucker.
18	Transfer (2-267) ..	30th January, 1897	Taruheru C. ..	Hapi Kutia to Edwin Claude Bolton.

"The Native Land Court Act, 1894."—Notice under Rule 133.

Registrar's Office, Wellington, 17th 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 in the *New Zealand Gazette*.

EDWARD BUCKLE, Registrar.

THE ALIENATIONS ABOVE REFERRED TO.

No.	Nature of Alienation.	Date.	Name of Land.	Names of Parties.
1	Transfer (97-14) ..	2nd February, 1897 ..	Hadfield, Section 162 (part of), Otaki	Hakaraia te Whena to Thomas Whyte Young.
2	Lease (97-15) ..	2nd February, 1897 ..	Hadfield, Section 162 (part of), Otaki	Hakaraia te Whena to Albert White.

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

No. 80.

IN THE VALIDATION COURT,  
GISBORNE.

In the application of the Honourable James Carroll and Wiremu Pere, both of Gisborne, in the Provincial District of Auckland, for validation of interests claimed by them in the Nuhaka No. 2 Block, situate in the Native Land Court District of Gisborne.

A. **WE**, James Carroll and Wiremu Pere, both of Gisborne, members of the House of Representatives of New Zealand, apply under "The Native Land (Validation of Titles) Act, 1893," for the validation of a contract made between the owners of the Nuhaka No. 2 Block (which said block of land is situate in the Native Land Court District of Gisborne, and contains 35,374 acres, more or less) and the New Zealand Native Land Settlement Company (Limited).

B. We desire to appear before the Validation Court on the 15th day of March, 1897, at the hour of half-past 10 o'clock in the forenoon, or so soon thereafter as counsel can be heard in that behalf.

C. The nature of the transaction proposed for validation is a contract made on or about the day of April, 1882, between the owners of the Nuhaka No. 2 Block and the New Zealand Native Land Settlement Company (Limited) for the transfer to the said company by the owners of the said land of the said block of land, in trust for the Native owners thereof, in accordance with the articles of association of the said company. The said company, in accordance with the said contract, expended large sums of money on behalf of the said owners, and made advances to the said owners in pursuance of the said contract in connection with the said land.

D. The land which was intended to be alienated by the above-mentioned contract was the block of land called or known as the Nuhaka No. 2 Block, above described, the original title to which is a certificate of title under "The Native Land Court Act, 1880," bearing date the 30th day of August, 1884.

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

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

- (1.) Contract as above set out between the Native owners of the said Nuhaka No. 2 Block and the New Zealand Native Land Settlement Company (Limited).
- (2.) Memorandum of mortgage, dated the 3rd day of July, 1888, by the said New Zealand Native Land Settlement Company (Limited) to the Bank of New Zealand.
- (3.) Memorandum of transfer, dated the 5th day of August, 1890, by the said Bank of New Zealand to the Bank of New Zealand Estates Company (Limited).
- (4.) Memorandum of transfer, dated the 10th day of July, 1891, by the Registrar of the Supreme Court of New Zealand at Gisborne to the said Bank of New Zealand Estates Company (Limited).
- (5.) Memorandum of agreement, dated the 17th day of February, 1892, between the Bank of New Zealand Estates Company (Limited) of the first part, William Lee Rees, of Gisborne, solicitor, of the second part, and ourselves (the applicants) of the third part.

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

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

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

JAMES CARROLL,  
WI PERE  
(By their Solicitor and Agent,  
W. L. REES).

To the Registrar of the Validation Court,  
Gisborne.

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

No. 81.

IN THE VALIDATION COURT,  
GISBORNE.

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

A. **WE**, James Carroll and Wiremu Pere, both of Gisborne, members of the House of Representatives of New Zealand, apply under "The Native Land (Validation of Titles) Act, 1893," for the validation of a contract made between the owners of the Hinewhaki No. 1 Block (which said block of land is situate in the Native Land Court District of Gisborne, and contains 88 acres 2 roods, more or less) and the New Zealand Native Land Settlement Company (Limited).

B. We desire to appear before the Validation Court on the 15th day of March, 1897, at the hour of half-past 10 o'clock in the forenoon, or so soon thereafter as counsel can be heard in that behalf.

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

D. The land which was intended to be alienated by the above-mentioned contract was the block of land called or known as the Hinewhaki No. 1 Block, above described, the original title to which is a certificate of title under the Native Land Court Acts, 1865 and 1867, bearing date the 25th day of September, 1868.

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

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

- (1.) Contract as above set out between the Native owners of the said Hinewhaki No. 1 Block and the New Zealand Native Land Settlement Company (Limited).
- (2.) Memorandum of mortgage, dated the 3rd day of July, 1888, by the said New Zealand Native Land Settlement Company (Limited) to the Bank of New Zealand.
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Dated at Gisborne, this 23rd day of December, 1896.

JAMES CARROLL,  
WI PERE  
(By their Solicitor and Agent,  
W. L. REES).

To the Registrar of the Validation Court,  
Gisborne.

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

No. 82.

IN THE VALIDATION COURT,  
GISBORNE.

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

A. WE, James Carroll and Wiremu Pere, both of Gisborne, members of the House of Representatives of New Zealand, apply under "The Native Land (Validation of Titles) Act, 1893," for the validation of a contract made between the owners of the Kahuitara No. 1 Block (which said block of land is situate in the Native Land Court District of Gisborne, and contains 3,140 acres, more or less) and the New Zealand Native Land Settlement Company (Limited).

B. We desire to appear before the Validation Court on the 15th day of March, 1897, at the hour of half-past 10 o'clock in the forenoon, or so soon thereafter as counsel can be heard in that behalf.

C. The nature of the transaction proposed for validation is a contract made on or about the 19th day of March, 1883, between the owners of the Kahuitara No. 1 Block and the New Zealand Native Land Settlement Company (Limited) for the transfer to the said company by the owners of the said land of the said block of land, in trust for the Native owners thereof, in accordance with the articles of association of the said company. The said company, in accordance with the said contract, expended large sums of money on behalf of the said owners, and made advances to the said owners in pursuance of the said contract in connection with the said land.

D. The land which was intended to be alienated by the above-mentioned contract was the block of land called or known as the Kahuitara No. 1 Block, above described, the original title to which is a certificate of title under the Native Land Court Acts, 1865 and 1867, bearing date the 24th day of September, 1868.

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

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

- (1.) Contract as above set out between the Native owners of the said Kahuitara No. 1 Block and the New Zealand Native Land Settlement Company (Limited).
- (2.) Memorandum of mortgage, dated the 3rd day of July, 1888, by the said New Zealand Native Land Settlement Company (Limited) to the Bank of New Zealand.
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- (5.) Memorandum of agreement, dated the 17th day of February, 1892, between the Bank of New Zealand Estates Company (Limited) of the first part, William Lee Rees, of Gisborne, solicitor, of the second part, and ourselves (the applicants) of the third part.

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

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

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

JAMES CARROLL,  
WI PERE  
(By their Solicitor and Agent,  
W. L. REES.)

To the Registrar of the Validation Court,  
Gisborne.

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

No. 83.

IN THE VALIDATION COURT,  
GISBORNE.

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

A. WE, James Carroll and Wiremu Pere, both of Gisborne, members of the House of Representatives of New Zealand, apply under "The Native Land (Validation of Titles) Act, 1893," for the validation of a contract made between the owners of the Ohuia No. 1 Block (which said block of land is situate in the Native Land Court District of Gisborne, and contains 1,068 acres, more or less) and the New Zealand Native Land Settlement Company (Limited).

B. We desire to appear before the Validation Court on the 15th day of March, 1897, at the hour of half-past 10 o'clock in the forenoon, or so soon thereafter as counsel can be heard in that behalf.

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

D. The land which was intended to be alienated by the above-mentioned contract was the block of land called or known as the Ohuia No. 1 Block, above described, the original title to which is a certificate of title under the Native Land Court Acts, 1865 and 1867, bearing date the 25th day of September, 1868.

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

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

- (1.) Contract as above set out between the Native owners of the said Ohuia No. 1 Block and the New Zealand Native Land Settlement Company (Limited).
- (2.) Memorandum of mortgage, dated the 3rd day of July, 1888, by the said New Zealand Native Land Settlement Company (Limited) to the Bank of New Zealand.
- (3.) Memorandum of transfer, dated the 5th day of August, 1890, by the said Bank of New Zealand to the Bank of New Zealand Estates Company (Limited).
- (4.) Memorandum of transfer, dated the 10th day of July, 1891, by the Registrar of the Supreme Court of New Zealand at Gisborne to the said Bank of New Zealand Estates Company (Limited).
- (5.) Memorandum of agreement, dated the 17th day of February, 1892, between the Bank of New Zealand Estates Company (Limited), of the first part, William Lee Rees, of Gisborne, solicitor, of the second part, and ourselves (the applicants) of the third part.

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

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

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

JAMES CARROLL,  
WI PERE  
(By their Solicitor and Agent,  
W. L. REES.)

To the Registrar of the Validation Court,  
Gisborne.

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**"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 388 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.

**R**AKHI Tewharekorito, Te Mateone, Toerangi Whiu, Tamu Tewharekorito, Patumoana Uruteangina, Karewa Tewharekorito, Te Moko Tewharekorito, Tutaua, Kereopa Waihora, Te Bawhao, Rakei Rukuwai, Eponga, Te Pohe Raimapau, Raone Peina, Hemi Wiremu, Mere Wiremu, Takara Wiremu, Whiu te Atarua, Te Rauwhangi, Puakotiri, Waitoto Raikiao, Ruihi Pa-kinga (trustee, Puakotiri), Mateone, Te Mateone, Te Amo te Kehu, Piriana Korangi, Konehe Korangi, Toherangi Korangi, Te Aoturoa Korangi, Tawhitipou, Huritau, Wirihana te Rangitukihou, Tawake te Kuratawhiti, Hori Mukakai, Poutonga, Tahupotiki, Matetahora, Miriama Mihaka, Mahu Tuterangi Kuritanga, Pipi Ruauru, Te Paki Aoturoa, Wirihana Rangitukihono, Ngapini Hamiora, Karipa, Te Matewai, Ngahina Tawhitipou, Ngawhare Kuratawhiti, Tikiku Aratu, Taituha Waiaraki, Morehu Pera, Te Urū Hawaiki Mihaka, Pipi Ruariri, Wiremu Mihaka, Tiko Mihaka, Toherangi Hamiora, Te Hoeroa Hamiora, Patumoana Hamiora, and the other Native owners of all that piece of land situate in the Wairoa Survey District, being Section 388 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.

**N**GAHAU Erua, Te Ata, Tiweka Whakatiki, Wiremu te Kahu, Tiaki te Kahu, Ripaka Ngarata, Titahi Mahutenga, Metiria Tuauriri, Tupuhi Waina Matatira, Arouku, Kahu Pairama, Ngahauerua, Riakina, Tuaoere, Te Katene te Katurei, Te Hau Taipa, Katene Taipa, Harata Taipa, Ngakapu Kurainapia, Te Mane Taipa, Matakaha Taipa, Ngaungoti Taipa, Te Ohu Pirimona, Matai Taipa (trustees, Te Hau Taipa and Katene Aperahama), Te Retiu Mahutonga, Ngamoko, Te Waiwari, Te Repe, Tira, Wharekawa, Pairama, Haranuku Apia, Hinekahu, Kahukuka, Ranangi, Te Whiu, Poharama Takarangi, Ngaruru Mere, Ihaka Takarangi, Tiopera, Turei Wharenikau, Aperahama te Rangiangina, Tawake te Uri, Pirihihana, 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 Unaihi, Te Atakahura, Rakei Rukuwai, Tukupoto, Kakara Iherangi, Mitai, Pairangi, 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 225 acres (more or less), being Land comprised in Memorandum of Lease registered No. 438.

**T**HE Rangihirama, Niho Nganeko, Maku, Rupa-putahanga, Hine Korako, Te Hehengi, Tarawha, Maranga, Waikauri, Toroa, Rangitete, Tihirangi, Tihirangi Takarangi, Hore te Rango, Te Raumanga, Te Rangimourihau, Te Rewha Whakaahua, Pihau Wiki, Tuara, Te Whareaitu, Hemi Watene, Hema Watene, Poriana, Muroa, Ngaha, Te Rangitupoki, Maku Rangitupoki, Hine Korako Tainini (trustee, Tainini), Te Manu, Reti, Wharemate, Ngaparititi, Iwi-oha, Tukohu, Ngataura, Kaire Hira, Turiakine, Tanira, Tare Waka, Rangimawe, Mauriri Whakawiria Tumahuki, Whakawiria, Tunui Mininiki (Mere Hinekete and Mahuri, trustees), Hemi Rakei, Tipene, Ruka, Beretene, Nihera, Raukura, Hori Pumuka, Ihikiera, Taare Tahua, Paora, Mutu-te-Hohinga, Pumipi Ngapeita, Te Wheti, Te Hokinga Hinekorangei, Te Mawae, Mukahai, Tamaka, Te Hapimana, Rete, Mahuri, Rehara, Mukumarū, Te Pirihi Tukawainga, Te Opetana, Te Kokori, Ngapeita, Mata Takarangi, Rua Putahanga, Waikauri, Waikare, Tihirangi, Miriama, Rawinia, Ngarewarewa, Tukohu, Piki, Mere Hinekete, Mereana Hawaiki, Hare Tamawaru, Tupuamoeawa, Moutoho, Ngahina, Tupotohaka, Rua Mahurangi, Mereana Hawaiki, Nihera, Mahuri Rangitū, Tunui Mininiki, Mauriri Nukuohua, Whakawiria Tumahuki, Te Kiri, Paihaka, Te Putaka, Tarawha, Ruihi, Hinerangi Tuara, Komako te Whenua, Tapahi Hanatana, Kuraroa, 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 Ruakere, Wiki Nukumaru, Wikitoria, Wiremu Takokenga Mininiki, Heneke Mininiki, Akanihi Mininiki, Te Rerenga Koutuka Mininiki, Riripoti Mininiki, Taitai Mininiki, William Nicholas, Pirato, Raiuera, Rairera, 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 225 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 Courthouse, 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.]

Officers appointed.

Post and Telegraph Department,  
General Post Office, Wellington, 11th February, 1897.

HIS Excellency the Administrator of the Government has been pleased to make the following appointments in the Post and Telegraph Department.

W. C. WALKER,

For Postmaster-General and Electric Telegraph Commissioner.

PERMANENT.

Name.	Position.	Office.	Date.
Alexander, Alfred Hunt .. .. .	Cadet .. .. .	Christchurch T.O.	1 June, 1896.
Beck, Thomas Smith .. .. .	" .. .. .	" .. .. .	1 June, "
Black, Basil William .. .. .	" .. .. .	" .. .. .	1 June, "
Blackmore, Dora Louisa .. .. .	Cadette, Telephone Exchange .. .. .	" .. .. .	20 July, "
Bowling, Violet Shelton .. .. .	" .. .. .	Dunedin .. .. .	1 Dec., 1895.
Bush, Arthur Silvester .. .. .	Cadet .. .. .	Christchurch T.O.	1 June, 1896.
Clifford, Henry George Ehu .. .. .	Letter-carrier .. .. .	Gore .. .. .	1 June, "
Crawshaw, Ralph .. .. .	" .. .. .	Oamaru .. .. .	1 June, "
Critchley, Robert .. .. .	Cadet .. .. .	Christchurch T.O.	1 June, "
Downes, Sarah Mary Ellen .. .. .	Cadette, Telephone Exchange .. .. .	Dunedin .. .. .	1 Dec., 1895.
Fairbairn, John Cook .. .. .	Letter-carrier .. .. .	Riverton .. .. .	24 Aug., 1896.
Fuller, George Stacey .. .. .	Cadet .. .. .	Greytown North .. .. .	1 June, "
Gawen, Charles Trevor .. .. .	Junior Telephone Exchange Clerk .. .. .	Dunedin .. .. .	1 June, "
Gibbs, Arthur .. .. .	Cadet .. .. .	Dunedin T.O. .. .. .	1 June, "
Gow, William John .. .. .	" .. .. .	Oamaru .. .. .	1 June, "
Ingram, Charles Richard .. .. .	" .. .. .	Dunedin T.O. .. .. .	1 June, "
Jacobs, Esther .. .. .	Cadette, Telephone Exchange .. .. .	Dunedin .. .. .	1 Dec., 1895.
Jordan, Joseph William .. .. .	Cadet .. .. .	Clinton .. .. .	1 June, 1896.
King, Lawrence Nelson .. .. .	" .. .. .	Christchurch T.O.	1 June, "
Leahy, William Joseph .. .. .	" .. .. .	" .. .. .	1 June, "
Matheson, Thomas Alexander Denwood .. .. .	P.O. Messenger .. .. .	Bluff .. .. .	1 June, "
Milne, Hector Chilo .. .. .	Cadet .. .. .	Christchurch P.O.	1 April, "
McAllister, William .. .. .	" .. .. .	Queenstown .. .. .	1 June, "
McDonald, Leslie Grant .. .. .	" .. .. .	Christchurch T.O.	1 June, "
McKenzie, David Morrison .. .. .	" .. .. .	Dunedin T.O. .. .. .	1 June, "
McLean, Alexander Archibald .. .. .	Letter-carrier .. .. .	Bluff .. .. .	1 June, "
McLennan, Murdoch .. .. .	Junior Telephone Exchange Clerk .. .. .	Gore .. .. .	1 June, "
Smith, John Ralfe .. .. .	Junior Letter-carrier .. .. .	Ashburton .. .. .	1 Sept., "
Whelan, Charles Michael .. .. .	Cadet .. .. .	Christchurch T.O.	1 June, "
Whitmore, Edward Henry .. .. .	" .. .. .	" .. .. .	1 June, "

NON-PERMANENT.

Name.	Office.	District.	Date.
POSTMASTERS.			
Bain, Neil .. .. .	Wharekuri .. .. .	Oamaru .. .. .	16 Nov., 1896.
Ballantyne, William Archibald .. .. .	Dunrobin .. .. .	Dunedin .. .. .	1 Dec., "
Bittle, Emily .. .. .	Mahau .. .. .	Blenheim .. .. .	1 Jan., 1897.
Black, John Hunter .. .. .	North-west Bay .. .. .	Blenheim .. .. .	1 Jan., "
Butcher, Eliza .. .. .	Rutherglen .. .. .	Greymouth .. .. .	1 Dec., 1896.
Cheyne, Andrew Leslie .. .. .	Maori Point .. .. .	Invercargill .. .. .	1 Nov., "
Cox, George William .. .. .	Ponga .. .. .	Auckland .. .. .	1 Jan., 1897.
Dobbs, Henry .. .. .	Overdale .. .. .	Christchurch .. .. .	1 Jan., "
Dobson, James .. .. .	Ruahine .. .. .	Wellington .. .. .	1 Nov., 1896.
Drewet, Mary Ann .. .. .	Wekaweka .. .. .	Auckland .. .. .	1 Nov., "
Gilchrist, James Reid .. .. .	East Chatton .. .. .	Invercargill .. .. .	2 Nov., "
Gullery, James .. .. .	Kenepuru .. .. .	Blenheim .. .. .	1 Jan., 1897.
Hammond, Frederick .. .. .	Kawatau .. .. .	Wanganui .. .. .	16 Nov., 1896.
Hearn, Robert Archibald .. .. .	Worser Bay .. .. .	Wellington .. .. .	7 Dec., "
Hocquard, Phillip .. .. .	Hocquard's .. .. .	Blenheim .. .. .	1 Jan., 1897.
Huckstep, Elizabeth Ann .. .. .	Manurewa .. .. .	Auckland .. .. .	26 Nov., 1896.
Hunt, Frederick William .. .. .	Te Kuiti .. .. .	Auckland .. .. .	1 Dec., "
Jarvis, David Marshall .. .. .	Cabbage Bay .. .. .	Auckland .. .. .	15 Nov., "
King, James .. .. .	Whirinaki .. .. .	Auckland .. .. .	1 Dec., "
Kraiger, John .. .. .	Hawainga .. .. .	Wanganui .. .. .	16 Nov., "
Lannan, David Dawson .. .. .	Puhipuhi .. .. .	Auckland .. .. .	1 Jan., 1897.
Lewis, Benjamin .. .. .	Porooterau .. .. .	Auckland .. .. .	15 Dec., 1896.
Parkes, Hannah Maria .. .. .	Puysegur Point .. .. .	Invercargill .. .. .	13 Nov., "
Peacock, George Henry .. .. .	Palmer Road .. .. .	New Plymouth .. .. .	1 Dec., "
Poole, William .. .. .	Mere Mere .. .. .	Wanganui .. .. .	16 Nov., "
Shirley, Lawrence James .. .. .	Putaruru .. .. .	Auckland .. .. .	1 Jan., 1897.
Smith, Thomas .. .. .	Mangatoro Valley .. .. .	Napier .. .. .	15 Nov., 1896.
Smythe, Edward .. .. .	Omoho .. .. .	Auckland .. .. .	16 Nov., "
Stewart, William .. .. .	Waitohi Flat .. .. .	Timaru .. .. .	16 Dec., "
Sutton, Leonard .. .. .	Parkeston .. .. .	Nelson .. .. .	1 Nov., "
Whitfield, Ruth .. .. .	Oue .. .. .	Auckland .. .. .	1 Nov., "
Woods, Catherine .. .. .	Hukerenui .. .. .	Auckland .. .. .	15 Nov., "
POSTMASTERS AND TELEPHONISTS.			
Ballantyne, Henry Charles .. .. .	Taradale .. .. .	Napier .. .. .	1 Dec., 1896.
Goodwin, Mary Ann .. .. .	Waharoa .. .. .	Auckland .. .. .	17 Nov., "
Hamilton, Mary .. .. .	Linwood .. .. .	Christchurch .. .. .	1 Dec., "
Hiley, William Francis .. .. .	Stillwater .. .. .	Greymouth .. .. .	1 Dec., "
Hore, John .. .. .	Wainuiomata .. .. .	Wellington .. .. .	1 Jan., 1897.
Kearney, Richard (Railway Officer) .. .. .	Kaihu .. .. .	Auckland .. .. .	1 Jan., "
McDonald, William .. .. .	Ngairi .. .. .	Wanganui .. .. .	1 Nov., 1896.
Law, Edward Henderson .. .. .	Port Awanui .. .. .	Gisborne .. .. .	1 Nov., "
Stubbing, Kathleen .. .. .	Raglan .. .. .	Auckland .. .. .	5 Dec., "

## NON-PERMANENT--continued.

Name.	Office.	District.	Date.
TELEPHONISTS.			
*Bedford, James .. .. .	Puriri .. .. .	Thames .. .. .	21 Nov., 1896.
Fraser, William .. .. .	Hokonui .. .. .	Invercargill .. .. .	9 Oct., "
*Hearn, Robert Archibald .. .. .	Worser Bay .. .. .	Wellington .. .. .	16 Dec., "
Hubble, Theresa .. .. .	Opoho .. .. .	Dunedin .. .. .	13 Dec., "
Mainwaring, Charles Sweedland .. .. .	Berhampore .. .. .	Wellington .. .. .	16 Dec., "
Olesen, Byng Peter .. .. .	Epsom Bureau .. .. .	Auckland .. .. .	16 Dec., "
Wootton, Thomas Henry .. .. .	Caversham Bureau .. .. .	Dunedin .. .. .	10 Nov., "

\* Now Postmaster and telephonist.

Offices opened and closed; Designation corrected.

Post and Telegraph Department,  
General Post Office, Wellington, 11th February, 1897.

THE following particulars of offices opened and closed, and of designations corrected, are published for general information.

W. C. WALKER,

For Postmaster-General and Electric Telegraph Commissioner.

Name.	District.	Date.		
POST-OFFICES OPENED.				
Hawainga.. .. .	Wanganui .. .. .	16 November, 1896.		
Hocquard's .. .. .	Blenheim .. .. .	1 January, 1897.		
Kawatau .. .. .	Wanganui .. .. .	16 November, 1896.		
Mahau .. .. .	Blenheim .. .. .	1 January, 1897.		
Mangatoro Valley .. .. .	Napier .. .. .	15 November, 1896.		
Mere Mere (reopened) .. .. .	Wanganui .. .. .	16 November, "		
North-west Bay .. .. .	Blenheim .. .. .	1 January, 1897.		
Omoho .. .. .	Auckland .. .. .	16 November, 1896.		
Overdale .. .. .	Christchurch .. .. .	1 January, 1897.		
Parkeston.. .. .	Nelson .. .. .	1 November, 1896.		
Ponga .. .. .	Auckland .. .. .	1 January, 1897.		
Porcooterau .. .. .	Auckland .. .. .	15 December, 1896.		
Puhipuhi (reopened) .. .. .	Auckland .. .. .	1 January, 1897.		
Putaruru .. .. .	Auckland .. .. .	1 January, "		
Ruahine (reopened) .. .. .	Wellington .. .. .	1 November, 1896.		
Wekaweka .. .. .	Auckland .. .. .	1 November, "		
Worser Bay .. .. .	Wellington .. .. .	7 December, "		
POST-OFFICE CLOSED.				
Te Rori .. .. .	Auckland .. .. .	31 December, 1896.		
MONEY-ORDER OFFICE AND POST-OFFICE SAVINGS-BANK OPENED.				
Poroti .. .. .	Auckland .. .. .	8 December, 1896.		
TELEPHONE-OFFICES OPENED.				
Berhampore* .. .. .	Wellington .. .. .	16 December, 1896.		
Epsom† .. .. .	Auckland .. .. .	16 December, "		
Maori Point‡ .. .. .	Invercargill .. .. .	14 December, "		
Maungakaramea‡ .. .. .	Auckland .. .. .	31 December, "		
Okarito‡ .. .. .	Hokitika .. .. .	21 December, "		
Plimmerton§ .. .. .	Wellington .. .. .	21 December, "		
The Forks‡ .. .. .	Hokitika .. .. .	21 December, "		
Wataroa‡ .. .. .	Hokitika .. .. .	31 December, "		
Whakapara   .. .. .	Auckland .. .. .	30 December, "		
Worser Bay¶ .. .. .	Wellington .. .. .	16 December, "		
TELEPHONE BUREAUX OPENED.				
Berhampore .. .. .	Wellington .. .. .	16 December, 1896.		
Epsom .. .. .	Auckland .. .. .	16 December, "		
Plimmerton .. .. .	Wellington .. .. .	21 December, "		
Worser Bay .. .. .	Wellington .. .. .	21 December, "		
DESIGNATION CORRECTED.				
Description.	Office.		District.	Date.
	From	To		
Post-office .. .. .	Kuripapanga .. .. .	Kuripapango .. .. .	Napier .. .. .	1 January, 1897.

\* Also bureau; no post-office.

† Now post and telephone (separate); also bureau.

‡ Now post and telephone (combined).

§ Now post and telephone (combined); also bureau.

|| Now post and telephone (separate).

¶ Also post-office (combined).



Vital Statistics of Chief Cities, Year 1896.

REGISTRAR-GENERAL'S Report on the Vital Statistics of the Four Chief Towns of New Zealand during the Year 1896:—

RETURN of the Number of Births, with the Actual Mortality of Males and Females, and the Proportion of Births and Deaths to Population, in the under-mentioned Boroughs, during the Year 1896.

BOROUGH.	Population of Principal Boroughs, with all their Suburbs, Census, April, 1896.	POPULATION OF BOROUGH, 1896.	BIRTHS REGISTERED IN 1896.	Proportion of Births to the 1,000 of Population.	DEATHS REGISTERED IN 1896.						Total Deaths.	Proportion of Deaths to the 1,000 of Population.
					Males.			Females.				
					Under 1 Year.	1 & under 5 Years.	5 Years and over.	Under 1 Year.	1 & under 5 Years.	5 Years and over.		
Auckland .. ..	57,616	31,424	892	28.39	75	14	162	72	20	110	453	14.42
Birkenhead .. ..		690	15	21.74	1	..	1	1	..	1	4	5.80
Devonport .. ..		3,010	81	26.91	6	1	7	7	1	15	37	12.29
Newmarket .. ..		1,929	60	31.10	6	1	9	2	..	4	22	11.40
Newton .. ..		2,379	43	18.07	3	..	1	1	..	5	10	4.20
Parnell .. ..		4,196	100	23.83	12	4	11	7	..	12	46	10.96
Other suburbs .. ..		..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Totals Auckland and suburban boroughs	..	43,628	1,191	27.30	103	20	191	90	21	147	572	13.12
Wellington .. ..	41,758	37,441	1,005	26.84	48	13	168	53	13	139	434	11.59
Karori .. ..		1,024	13	12.70	..	..	..	..	..	2	2	1.95
Meirose .. ..		2,044	46	22.50	3	1	7	1	..	7	19	9.30
Onslow .. ..		1,249	45	36.03	1	..	..	1	..	1	3	2.40
Totals Wellington and suburbs	..	41,758	1,109	26.56	52	14	175	55	13	149	458	10.97
Christchurch .. ..	51,330	16,964	370	21.81	25	6	77	23	3	61	195	11.49
Linwood .. ..		6,115	170	27.80	14	1	18	10	1	20	64	10.47
St. Albans .. ..		5,781	130	22.49	5	1	19	4	1	22	52	8.99
Sydenham .. ..		10,312	271	26.28	23	3	38	17	2	41	124	12.02
Woolston .. ..		2,057	46	22.36	2	1	6	4	2	7	22	10.70
Other suburbs .. ..		..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Totals Christchurch and suburban boroughs	..	41,229	987	23.94	69	12	158	58	9	151	457	11.08
Dunedin .. ..	47,280	22,815	498	21.83	15	2	95	24	5	78	219	9.60
Caversham .. ..		4,763	113	23.72	2	..	38	4	2	25	71	14.91
Maori Hill .. ..		1,483	24	16.18	..	..	2	..	..	5	7	4.72
Mornington .. ..		3,584	74	20.65	5	3	11	3	..	4	26	7.25
North-east Valley .. ..		3,374	95	28.16	3	..	12	2	2	7	26	7.71
Roslyn .. ..		4,118	95	23.07	3	1	8	2	..	10	24	5.83
St. Kilda .. ..		1,185	28	23.63	1	..	3	..	..	2	6	5.06
South Dunedin .. ..		4,592	121	26.35	10	1	8	3	2	20	44	9.58
West Harbour .. ..		1,366	25	18.30	..	..	3	1	1	3	8	5.86
Totals Dunedin and suburbs	..	47,280	1,073	22.79	39	7	180	39	12	154	431	9.12
General Totals .. ..	..	..	4,360	25.07	263	53	704	242	55	601	1,918	11.03

\* The remaining suburbs do not lie within borough boundaries, and particulars respecting them have not been obtained for the Vital Statistics.

Deaths occurring at hospitals have been omitted, except where deceased had previously resided in one or other of the above boroughs, in which case the death is counted against the borough of residence.

TABLE showing, in Classes, the Number of Deaths of Persons of both Sexes under 5 Years of Age and 5 Years and upwards, and the Proportion per Cent. of Deaths in each Class, in the Boroughs above given, registered during the Year 1896.

CLASSES.	CAUSES OF DEATH.	AUCKLAND AND SUBURBAN BOROUGH.		WELLINGTON AND SUBURBAN BOROUGH.		CHRISTCHURCH AND SUBURBAN BOROUGH.		DUNEDIN AND SUBURBAN BOROUGH.		TOTAL.	PROPORTIONS PER CENT.
		Under 5 Years.	5 Years & over.	Under 5 Years.	5 Years & over.	Under 5 Years.	5 Years & over.	Under 5 Years.	5 Years & over.		
I.	Specific Febrile or Zymotic Diseases	70	33	30	23	51	27	17	24	275	14.34
II.	Parasitic Diseases ..	1	1	..	3	..	..	..	1	6	0.31
III.	Dietetic Diseases ..	9	2	2	2	..	1	3	1	20	1.04
IV.	Constitutional Diseases	14	94	10	104	9	87	11	121	450	23.46
V.	Developmental Diseases	20	10	18	15	24	27	18	6	138	7.20
VI.	Local Diseases ..	88	175	60	153	41	155	28	171	371	45.41
VII.	Violence .. ..	3	20	1	24	2	12	5	10	77	4.02
VIII.	Ill-defined and Not-specified Causes	29	3	13	..	21	..	15	..	81	4.22
	Totals ..	234	338	134	324	148	309	97	334	1,918	100.00

TABLE showing the Causes of the Deaths in the Four Chief Cities and their Suburbs registered during the Year 1896.

	AUCKLAND AND SUBURBAN BOROUGHES.		WELLINGTON AND SUBURBAN BOROUGHES.		CHRISTCHURCH AND SUBURBAN BOROUGHES.		DUNEDIN AND SUBURBAN BOROUGHES.		TOTAL.
	Under 5 Years.	5 Years and over.	Under 5 Years.	5 Years and over.	Under 5 Years.	5 Years and over.	Under 5 Years.	5 Years and over.	
<b>CLASS I.—SPECIFIC FEBRILE OR ZYMOTIC DISEASES.</b>									
<b>ORDER 1:—</b>									
<i>Miasmatic.</i> —									
Scarlet Fever .. .. .	..	..	1	..	..	1	..	..	2
Influenza .. .. .	2	2	1	3	..	8	..	11	27
Whooping-cough .. .. .	..	..	2	..	1	..	3	1	7
Diphtheria .. .. .	3	2	6	7	..	1	..	2	21
Typhoid Fever .. .. .	..	19	..	4	..	7	1	5	36
Total Order 1 .. .. .	5	23	10	14	1	17	4	19	93
<b>ORDER 2:—</b>									
<i>Diarrheal.</i> —									
Cholera .. .. .	6	..	2	..	3	..	1	..	12
Diarrhoea .. .. .	57	3	16	..	43	5	10	2	136
Dysentery .. .. .	1	1	..	1	1	1	..	1	6
Total Order 2 .. .. .	64	4	18	1	47	6	11	3	154
<b>ORDER 5:—</b>									
<i>Venereal.</i> —									
Syphilis .. .. .	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	4
Syphilis (hereditary) .. .. .	..	..	1	..	3	..	1	..	5
Syphilitic Ulcer .. .. .	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Stricture of Urethra .. .. .	..	3	..	2	..	..	..	..	5
Total Order 5 .. .. .	1	3	1	6	3	..	1	..	15
<b>ORDER 6:—</b>									
<i>Septic.</i> —									
Erysipelas .. .. .	..	..	..	1	..	..	1	..	2
Pyæmia .. .. .	..	1	1	1	..	..	..	..	3
Septicæmia .. .. .	..	2	..	..	..	3	..	2	7
Septic Peritonitis .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	1
Total Order 6 .. .. .	..	3	1	2	..	4	1	2	13
Total Class I. .. .. .	70	33	30	23	51	27	17	24	275
<b>CLASS II.—PARASITIC DISEASES.</b>									
Hydatids .. .. .	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	1	2
Hydatids of Pleura .. .. .	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1
Hydatids of Brain .. .. .	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1
Hydatids of Liver .. .. .	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1
Worms .. .. .	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Total Class II. .. .. .	1	1	..	3	..	..	..	1	6
<b>CLASS III.—DIETETIC DISEASES.</b>									
Want of Breast-milk .. .. .	4	..	2	..	..	..	1	..	7
Intemperance,—									
<i>a.</i> Chronic Alcoholism .. .. .	..	2	..	2	..	..	..	1	5
<i>b.</i> Delirium Tremens .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	1
Malnutrition .. .. .	5	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	7
Total Class III. .. .. .	9	2	2	2	..	1	3	1	20
<b>CLASS IV.—CONSTITUTIONAL DISEASES.</b>									
Rheumatic Fever .. .. .	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	2
Rheumatism of Heart .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	2
Rheumatism .. .. .	..	4	..	1	..	2	..	4	11
Gout .. .. .	..	1	..	1	..	1	..	2	5
Rickets .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	3
Cancer .. .. .	..	35	..	54	..	25	1	35	150
Tabes Mesenterica .. .. .	7	..	2	..	7	2	..	1	19
Tubercular Peritonitis .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	2
Tubercular Meningitis .. .. .	2	1	4	1	..	2	6	5	21
Acute Hydrocephalus .. .. .	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	1
Phthisis .. .. .	..	47	1	31	1	48	..	63	191
Tuberculosis .. .. .	2	1	2	4	1	1	..	4	15
Tubercular Disease of Knee .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1
Strumous Disease of Bones .. .. .	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	2
Purpura .. .. .	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	1	3
Anæmia .. .. .	1	1	..	3	..	1	..	3	9
Leucocythæmia .. .. .	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Diabetes .. .. .	..	1	..	5	..	2	..	2	10
Rheumatic Gout .. .. .	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	2
Total Class IV. .. .. .	14	94	10	104	9	87	11	121	450

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	AUCKLAND AND SUBURBAN BOROUGHES.		WELLINGTON AND SUBURBAN BOROUGHES.		CHRISTCHURCH AND SUBURBAN BOROUGHES.		DUNEDIN AND SUBURBAN BOROUGHES.		TOTAL.
	Under 5 Years.	5 Years and over.	Under 5 Years.	5 Years and over.	Under 5 Years.	5 Years and over.	Under 5 Years.	5 Years and over.	
<b>CLASS V.—DEVELOPMENTAL DISEASES.</b>									
Premature Birth .. .. .	18	..	11	..	19	..	14	..	62
Atelectasis .. .. .	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	2
Apnoea .. .. .	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	1
Cyanosis .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	2
Congenital Heart-disease .. .. .	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	2
Spina Bifida .. .. .	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	1
Imperforate Anus .. .. .	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Congenital Malformation of Heart .. .. .	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	2
Congenital Deformity .. .. .	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	1
Cranial Deformity .. .. .	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	1
Imperfect Development .. .. .	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	2
Congenital Debility .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1
Malformation .. .. .	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	2
Old Age .. .. .	..	10	..	15	..	27	..	6	58
Total Class V. .. .. .	20	10	18	15	24	27	18	6	138
<b>CLASS VI.—LOCAL DISEASES.</b>									
<b>ORDER 1:—</b>									
<i>Diseases of Nervous System,—</i>									
Encephalitis .. .. .	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Meningitis .. .. .	2	3	9	3	3	6	1	1	28
Cerebritis .. .. .	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1
Apoplexy .. .. .	..	10	..	15	..	11	..	17	53
Chronic Brain-disease .. .. .	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1
Softening of Brain .. .. .	..	1	..	1	..	2	..	1	5
Degeneration of Brain .. .. .	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	4
Hemiplegia .. .. .	..	6	..	..	..	3	..	1	10
Paralysis .. .. .	..	3	..	2	1	5	..	14	25
Insanity .. .. .	..	..	..	9	..	1	..	..	10
Melancholia .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1
Epilepsy .. .. .	1	..	..	1	..	2	..	1	5
Convulsions .. .. .	19	..	16	1	7	1	7	..	51
Idiopathic Tetanus .. .. .	1	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	3
Spinal Paralysis .. .. .	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Spinal Disease .. .. .	..	..	1	..	..	1	..	..	2
Sclerosis of Spinal Cord .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	2	3
Spastic Spinal Paralysis .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1
Myelitis .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	3
Tumour of Brain .. .. .	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	2
Abscess of Brain .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1
Cerebral Atheroma .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1
"    Tumour .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	1
"    Disease .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1
"    Abscess .. .. .	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	1	1
Hydrocephalus .. .. .	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	1
Tetanus Neonatorum .. .. .	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2
Locomotor Ataxia .. .. .	..	1	..	..	..	1	..	1	3
Neuritis .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	1
Total Order 1 .. .. .	25	28	27	39	12	37	8	46	222
<b>ORDER 2:—</b>									
<i>Diseases of Organs of Special Sense,—</i>									
Otitis .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	1
Epistaxis .. .. .	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1
Mastoid Disease (Ear) .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1
Total Order 2 .. .. .	..	..	..	1	..	1	1	..	3
<b>ORDER 3:—</b>									
<i>Diseases of Circulatory System,—</i>									
Heart-disease .. .. .	..	29	..	32	..	26	..	25	112
Cardiac Dilatation .. .. .	..	1	..	..	..	1	..	2	4
Pericarditis .. .. .	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Fatty Degeneration of Heart .. .. .	..	3	..	4	..	1	..	7	15
Degeneration of Muscular Fibre of Heart .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1
Angina Pectoris .. .. .	..	1	..	4	..	2	..	1	8
Syncope .. .. .	1	11	3	9	1	8	..	11	44
Aneurism .. .. .	..	2	..	5	..	2	..	1	10
Rupture of Abdominal Aneurism .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1
Rupture of Thoracic Aneurism .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1
Senile Gangrene .. .. .	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	1	2
Embolism .. .. .	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	2
Thrombosis .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	1
Rupture of Heart .. .. .	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	2
Calcareous Degeneration of Heart .. .. .	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Inflammation of Veins .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1
Thrombosis of Femoral Veins .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1
Varicose Veins .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1
Total Order 3 .. .. .	2	51	3	56	1	41	..	54	208

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	AUCKLAND AND SUBURBAN BOROUGH.		WELLINGTON AND SUBURBAN BOROUGH.		CHRISTCHURCH AND SUBURBAN BOROUGH.		DUNEDIN AND SUBURBAN BOROUGH.		TOTAL.
	Under 5 Years.	5 Years and over.	Under 5 Years.	5 Years and over.	Under 5 Years.	5 Years and over.	Under 5 Years.	5 Years and over.	
<b>CLASS VI.—continued.</b>									
<b>ORDER 4:—</b>									
<i>Diseases of Respiratory System,—</i>									
Membranous Laryngitis .. .. .	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	1
Croup .. .. .	8	1	5	..	2	..	..	..	16
Asthma .. .. .	..	2	..	..	1	..	..	4	7
Bronchitis .. .. .	10	12	5	10	4	10	5	5	61
Pneumonia .. .. .	7	17	4	11	7	13	5	13	77
Pleurisy .. .. .	..	2	..	2	..	2	..	1	7
Empyema .. .. .	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	2
Lung-disease .. .. .	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Congestion of Lungs .. .. .	..	2	..	1	3	1	..	3	10
Total Order 4 .. .. .	25	37	15	25	17	27	10	26	182
<b>ORDER 5:—</b>									
<i>Diseases of Digestive System,—</i>									
Noma .. .. .	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	1
Dentition .. .. .	14	..	2	..	3	..	..	..	19
Tonsillitis .. .. .	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Ulceration of Tongue .. .. .	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Dyspepsia .. .. .	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	1
Hæmorrhage in Stomach .. .. .	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1
Dilated Stomach .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1
Gastritis .. .. .	1	2	4	1	1	1	..	1	11
Ulcer of Stomach .. .. .	..	..	..	1	..	..	1	3	5
Abscess of Pylorus .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1
Enteritis .. .. .	15	3	3	..	4	5	5	2	37
Hæmorrhage from Bowels .. .. .	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1
Typhlitis .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	1
Perforation of Intestines .. .. .	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	2
Perforation of Stomach .. .. .	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1
Obstruction of Intestine .. .. .	..	4	1	1	1	4	..	2	13
Stricture of Intestine .. .. .	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	2
Intussusception of Intestine .. .. .	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	1
Hernia .. .. .	..	2	1	1	..	2	1	1	8
Peritonitis .. .. .	2	2	..	..	..	3	..	2	9
Cirrhosis of Liver .. .. .	..	7	..	3	..	2	..	6	18
Amyloid Disease of Liver .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1
Congestion of Liver .. .. .	..	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	2
Hypertrophy of Liver .. .. .	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1
Chronic Liver-disease .. .. .	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	2
Hepatitis, Jaundice .. .. .	1	3	1	2	1	..	..	..	8
Icterus Neonatorum .. .. .	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Inflammation of Umbilicus .. .. .	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Appendicitis .. .. .	..	3	..	2	..	1	..	2	8
Ruptured Appendix .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1
Abdominal Tumour .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	1
Stricture of Æsophagus .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1
Retro-pharyngeal Abscess .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1
Total Order 5 .. .. .	35	33	14	17	11	21	8	24	163
<b>ORDER 6:—</b>									
<i>Diseases of Lymphatic System,—</i>									
Lymphadenoma .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	1
Graves's Disease .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1
Total Order 6 .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	2
<b>ORDER 7:—</b>									
<i>Diseases of Urinary System,—</i>									
Nephritis .. .. .	..	2	..	1	..	2	..	..	5
Bright's Disease .. .. .	..	11	..	1	..	8	..	7	27
Uræmia .. .. .	..	2	..	..	..	2	..	..	4
Suppression of Urine .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	1
Stone in Bladder .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1
Hæmaturia .. .. .	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Disease of the Bladder and Prostate .. .. .	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	2
Tumour of Bladder .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1
Oystitis .. .. .	..	2	..	2	..	1	..	3	8
Disease of Kidneys .. .. .	1	..	..	1	..	2	..	1	5
Urinary Fistula .. .. .	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1
Total Order 7 .. .. .	1	19	..	7	..	16	..	13	56
<b>ORDER 8:—</b>									
<i>Diseases of the Reproductive System,—</i>									
<i>a. Of Organs of Generation—</i>									
Ovarian Tumour .. .. .	..	2	..	..	..	1	..	2	5
Ovariectomy .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	2
Disease of Uterus .. .. .	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	1	2
Fibroid Tumour of Uterus .. .. .	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	2
Perimetritis .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	1
Pelvic Abscess.. .. .	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1

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	AUCKLAND AND SUBURBAN BOROUGHS.		WELLINGTON AND SUBURBAN BOROUGHS.		CHRISTCHURCH AND SUBURBAN BOROUGHS.		DUNEDIN AND SUBURBAN BOROUGHS.		TOTAL.
	Under 5 Years.	5 Years and over.	Under 5 Years.	5 Years and over.	Under 5 Years.	5 Years and over.	Under 5 Years.	5 Years and over.	
<b>CLASS VI.—continued.</b>									
<b>ORDER 8—continued.</b>									
<i>Diseases of Reproductive System—contd.</i>									
<i>b. Of Parturition—</i>									
Abortion .. .. .	..	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	2
Miscarriage .. .. .	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	1	2
Puerperal Convulsions .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	2
Placenta Prævia .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	2
Parturition .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	1
Total Order 8 .. .. .	..	4	..	4	..	9	..	5	22
<b>ORDER 9:—</b>									
<i>Diseases of Locomotive System,—</i>									
Necrosis of Femur .. .. .	..	2	..	2	..	1	..	..	5
Psoas Abscess .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1
Curvature of Spine .. .. .	..	1	..	1	..	1	..	..	3
Total Order 9 .. .. .	..	3	..	3	..	2	..	1	9
<b>ORDER 10:—</b>									
<i>Diseases of Integumentary System,—</i>									
Lupus .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1
Eczema .. .. .	..	..	..	1	..	..	1	..	2
Boils .. .. .	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	1
Total Order 10 .. .. .	..	..	1	1	..	..	1	1	4
Total Class VI. .. .. .	88	175	60	153	41	155	28	171	871
<b>CLASS VII.—VIOLENCE.</b>									
<b>ORDER 1:—</b>									
<i>Accidental,—</i>									
Fracture of Skull .. .. .	..	2	..	2	..	..	..	..	4
Fracture of Spine .. .. .	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	2
Fall .. .. .	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1
Fall out of Window .. .. .	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Fall of Clay .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1
Fall of Earth .. .. .	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	2
Fall from Cliff .. .. .	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1
Fall from Cart .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	1
Fall from Horse .. .. .	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1
Fall from House .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	1
Fall from Roof .. .. .	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Fall from Ladder .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1
Fall from Scaffold .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1
Horse falling on him .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1
Jumped from Train while in motion .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	1
Killed by Tram-car .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	1
Run over by Cart, Cab, &c. .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	2	1	..	3
Crushed in Lift .. .. .	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Shot .. .. .	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1
Scalded .. .. .	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	2
Burns .. .. .	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	3
Poison by Chloroform .. .. .	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	1	2
Poison .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1
Drowned .. .. .	..	4	..	10	1	1	..	1	17
Suffocation .. .. .	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	2
Umbilical Hæmorrhage .. .. .	1	..	1	..	1	..	1	..	4
Difficult Birth .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1
Ruptured Urethra (accident) .. .. .	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1
Exposure .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	1
Total Order 1 .. .. .	3	11	1	22	2	9	5	7	60
<b>ORDER 3:—</b>									
<i>Suicide,—</i>									
By Shooting .. .. .	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	2
By Cutting Throat .. .. .	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	2
By Stabbing .. .. .	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
By Poison .. .. .	..	3	..	1	..	2	..	1	7
By Overdose of Laudanum .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	2	3
By Hanging .. .. .	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1
By Dynamite .. .. .	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Total Order 3 .. .. .	..	9	..	2	..	3	..	3	17
Total Class VII. .. .. .	3	20	1	24	2	12	5	10	77
<b>CLASS VIII.—ILL-DEFINED CAUSES.</b>									
Dropsy .. .. .	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Marasmus .. .. .	28	..	10	..	21	..	14	..	73
Abscess .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1
Hæmorrhage .. .. .	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	1
Found Dead .. .. .	1	2	2	..	..	..	..	..	5
Total Class VIII. .. .. .	29	3	13	..	21	..	15	..	81
General Totals .. .. .	234	338	134	324	148	309	97	334	1,918

NUMBER of Deaths of Persons of Sixty-five Years and upwards registered in the Four Chief Towns of New Zealand during the Year 1896.

Boroughs.	Total Deaths of Persons over 65.	65 to 70.		70 to 75.		75 to 80.		80 to 85.		85 to 90.		90 and upwards.	
		M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.
Auckland .. ..	96	17	16	13	8	14	12	6	5	2	2	..	1
Wellington .. ..	73	16	6	10	9	9	7	5	2	5	2	1	1
Christchurch .. ..	90	14	6	12	9	14	10	8	5	4	2	4	2
Dunedin .. ..	104	17	12	29	7	7	7	5	9	5	2	1	3
Totals .. ..	363	64	40	64	33	44	36	24	21	16	8	6	7

BIRTHS AND BIRTH-RATES.

The total number of births registered as occurring in the four chief centres and suburbs in 1896 was 4,360, as against 4,370 for the previous year.

The births in the four cities rose from 2,722 in 1895 to 2,765 in 1896; while the births in the suburban boroughs fell from 1,648 to 1,595. The birth-rates for last year are—

	Birth-rates per 1,000 of Mean Population.
Auckland City .. ..	28.39
and five suburban boroughs .. ..	27.30
Wellington City .. ..	26.84
and three suburban boroughs .. ..	26.56
Christchurch City .. ..	21.81
and four suburban boroughs .. ..	23.94
Dunedin City .. ..	21.83
and eight suburban boroughs .. ..	22.79

Thus, by the inclusion of the suburbs the rate is raised at Christchurch and Dunedin, but lowered at Auckland and Wellington. It will be observed that Auckland has the highest rate, Wellington the next highest, Christchurch and Dunedin following at long intervals. The difference between the Auckland rate (27.30) and the Dunedin rate (22.79) is very marked. The birth-rate for the whole colony for last year was 26.33 per thousand. Auckland and Wellington are thus above the average, while Christchurch and Dunedin fall below it.

Taking the births in the four central boroughs without their suburbs, and comparing the numbers for 1896 and 1895, an increase is observed in each case: at Auckland 4, at Wellington 5, at Christchurch 11, and at Dunedin 23. The figures for the last five years are,—

	1892.	1893.	1894.	1895.	1896.
Auckland (without suburbs) .. ..	791	870	878	888	892
Wellington .. ..	922	971	990	1,000	1,005
Christchurch .. ..	361	344	400	359	370
Dunedin .. ..	536	484	527	475	498

The birth-rates recorded for the four central boroughs last year show a rise—at Auckland, 28.39, as against 28.04 for 1895; at Christchurch, from 20.36 in 1895 to 21.81 in 1896; and at Dunedin, from 19.87 to 21.83; but a fall at Wellington, from 28.30 to 26.84. The rates for the years 1892-96 are as follow:—

	Births per 1,000 of Population.				
	1892.	1893.	1894.	1895.	1896.
Auckland (without suburbs) .. ..	25.93	27.79	27.80	28.04	28.39
Wellington .. ..	27.94	28.23	28.25	28.30	26.84
Christchurch .. ..	21.19	20.10	22.81	20.36	21.81
Dunedin .. ..	23.27	20.54	22.14	19.87	21.83

DEATHS AND DEATH-RATES.

The total number of deaths registered for the four centres in 1896 was 1,918—viz., 1,302 in the cities, and 616 in the suburbs. In 1895 the number was 1,962—1,368 in the cities, and 594 in the suburbs. Thus there was last year a decrease in the city deaths, while in the number of suburban deaths there was an increase.

By including the suburbs the death-rate for last year is lowered at each of the four centres, the difference being most noticeable in Auckland (1.30). The rates for the year are,—

	Death-rate per 1,000 of Population.
Auckland City .. ..	14.42
and five suburban boroughs .. ..	13.12
Wellington City .. ..	11.59
and three suburban boroughs .. ..	10.97
Christchurch City .. ..	11.49
and four suburban boroughs .. ..	11.08
Dunedin City .. ..	9.60
and eight suburban boroughs .. ..	9.12

The death-rate is thus shown to be highest in Auckland and lowest in Dunedin, Christchurch and Wellington taking second and third places respectively. The death-rate for the colony was 9.10 per 1,000 of mean population. The four centres, as might be expected, each show a higher average than this, and in fact the excess is considerable at Auckland, Wellington, and Christchurch, and is found, though in smaller measure, at Dunedin.

If the number of deaths of infants under one year be excluded, the mortality among the rest of the population would be in the following ratio to the 1,000 living:—

Auckland (including suburbs) .. ..	8.93
Wellington .. ..	8.63
Christchurch .. ..	8.20
Dunedin .. ..	7.64

The degree of infantile mortality may be exhibited in the proportion of deaths of children under 1 year of age to every 100 births. For 1896 the proportions at the chief centres are,—

Auckland (including suburbs) .. ..	16.20
Wellington .. ..	9.65
Christchurch .. ..	12.87
Dunedin .. ..	7.27

Thus the proportion at Dunedin is considerably less than half that found at Auckland. Again, the percentage of deaths of children under 5 to the total number of deaths is—in Auckland, 39.96; in Wellington, 29.20; in Christchurch, 29.23; in Dunedin only 21.00. The total of deaths under 5 is 613, or 31.96 per cent. of all deaths, as against 615 and 31.35 for 1895. The deaths of persons of 65 and upwards numbered 363 last year; in 1895 they were 345.

Excluding suburbs, and dealing only with the deaths in the four cities or central boroughs, the rates for 1896 are found to be lower than those for any previous year, except in Christchurch, where the proportion is higher in 1896. The deaths and death-rates for three years are given:—

	Deaths, 1894.		..	Deaths, 1895.		..	Deaths, 1896.	
	No.	Per 1,000 of Population.		No.	Per 1,000 of Population.		No.	Per 1,000 of Population.
Auckland (excluding suburbs)	484	15.41	..	471	14.87	..	453	14.42
Wellington	414	11.82	..	462	13.07	..	434	11.59
Christchurch	185	10.55	..	191	10.83	..	195	11.49
Dunedin	271	11.38	..	244	10.21	..	219	9.60

Omitting the deaths of infants under one year, and calculating the rate on the population of one year of age and upwards, does not alter the position of the four cities as regards magnitude of death-rate.

	Deaths per 1,000 of Population, excluding Infants (under One Year of Age).		
	1894.	1895.	1896.
Auckland (excluding suburbs)	..	11.53	11.02
Wellington	..	9.40	9.84
Christchurch	..	8.69	8.70
Dunedin	..	9.66	9.67

Subjoined is a table showing the rates of infant mortality in the four cities for each of the past five years, together with the mean rates for the period. In respect of both last year's rate and the mean rate, Auckland stands first, and Dunedin fourth.

	Deaths of Children under One Year to every 100 Births.					Mean of Five Years.
	1892.	1893.	1894.	1895.	1896.	
Auckland (excluding suburbs)	14.28	12.64	15.12	14.86	16.48	14.67
Wellington	11.50	12.26	9.49	12.40	10.05	11.14
Christchurch	16.81	18.60	9.00	11.14	12.97	13.70
Dunedin	9.51	11.16	8.73	9.47	7.83	9.34

*Specific Febrile and Zymotic Diseases.*—There were 275 deaths from these causes at the cities and their suburbs in 1896, against 223 in 1895. At Auckland the deaths rose from 79 to 103, at Christchurch from 51 to 78, at Dunedin from 28 to 41, and at Wellington they fell from 65 to 53. In Order 1, miasmatic diseases, deaths from typhoid fever were the most numerous, being 36, against 21 in 1895; 19 of the 36 deaths from typhoid in 1896 were at Auckland and suburbs, 7 at Christchurch, 6 at Dunedin, and 4 at Wellington. Twenty-seven persons died from influenza, a reduction of 7 on the mortality from this disease in the previous year. Diphtheria caused 21 deaths, 13 of them being at Wellington. From whooping-cough only 7 persons died, a satisfactory result when compared with 16 deaths in 1895 and 52 deaths in 1894. Scarlet fever caused 2 deaths. Deaths from diarrhoeal diseases numbered 154 last year, of which 68 occurred at Auckland and its suburbs, and only 14 at Dunedin.

*Constitutional Diseases.*—Of 450 deaths, 191 were from phthisis. The large number of 150 deaths was attributed to cancer—35 at Auckland, 54 at Wellington, 25 at Christchurch, and 36 at Dunedin. In 1895 the mortality from this disease was 119, and in 1894 it was 143.

*Local Diseases.*—Of deaths in this class at the four centres and suburbs, 222 were from nervous complaints, including 53 cases of apoplexy, 51 of convulsions, 28 of meningitis, and 25 of paralysis. Deaths from diseases of the respiratory system numbered 182, of which 145 were from bronchitis, pneumonia, and pleurisy. Diseases of the circulatory system caused 208 deaths, 112 being from heart-disease, not more specifically defined. There were 163 deaths from diseases of the digestive system, 56 of the urinary system, 22 of the reproductive system, 9 of the organs of locomotion, 4 of the integumentary system, 3 of the organs of special sense, and 2 of the lymphatic system.

*Violent Deaths.*—These numbered 77, of which 60 were accidental, 17 suicidal. In 1895 the total number was 109 (86 accidental, 3 homicidal, and 20 suicidal).

Registrar-General's Office,  
Wellington, 16th February, 1897.

E. J. VON DADELSZEN,  
Registrar-General.

**Bankruptcy Notices.**

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

NOTICE is hereby given that JOHN HENRY JACKSON, of Newmarket, Baker, 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 11 o'clock.

J. LAWSON,  
12th February, 1897. Official Assignee.

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

NOTICE is hereby given that NEIL CAMPBELL CARMICHAEL, of Makotuku, 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 1.30 o'clock.

M. W. P. LASCELLES,  
Napier, 13th February, 1897. Deputy Official Assignee.

*In Bankruptcy.—In the District Court of Wairarapa, holden at Masterton.*

NOTICE is hereby given that DANIEL CAMERON, of Greytown, Coachbuilder, was this day adjudged bankrupt; and I hereby summon a meeting of creditors, to be holden at the Courthouse, Greytown, on Tuesday, the 23rd day of February, 1897, at 11 o'clock a.m.

W. B. CHENNELLS,  
Masterton, 13th February, 1897. Deputy Official Assignee.

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

NOTICE is hereby given that CHARLES BONO, of Wellington, Clerk, was this day adjudged bankrupt; and I hereby summon a meeting of creditors, to be holden at my office, on Thursday, the 18th day of February, 1897, at 11 o'clock.

JAMES ASHCROFT,  
Wellington, 11th February, 1897. Official Assignee.

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

NOTICE is hereby given that WILLIAM HAMMINGTON, of Petone, Butcher, was this day adjudged bankrupt; and I hereby summon a meeting of creditors, to be holden at my office, on Tuesday, the 23rd day of February, 1897, at 2.30 o'clock.

JAMES ASHCROFT,  
Wellington, 16th February, 1897. Official Assignee.

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

NOTICE is hereby given that ROBERT EGGERS WATSON, of Palmerston North, Coachbuilder, was this day adjudged bankrupt; and I hereby summon a meeting of creditors, to be holden at my office, on Wednesday, the 24th day of February, 1897, at 11 o'clock.

JAMES ASHCROFT,  
Wellington, 17th February, 1897. Official Assignee.

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

NOTICE is hereby given that ALFRED JOHN TREZISE, of Cuba Street, Wellington, Storekeeper, was this day adjudged bankrupt; and I hereby summon a meeting of creditors, to be holden at my office, on Tuesday, the 23rd day of February, 1897, at 11 o'clock.

JAMES ASHCROFT,  
Wellington, 16th February, 1897. Official Assignee.

*In Bankruptcy.—In the District Court, holden at Westport.*

NOTICE is hereby given that CHARLES GOODING, of Denniston, Miner, was this day adjudged bankrupt; and I hereby summon a meeting of creditors, to be holden at my office, on the 22nd day of February, 1897, at 2.30 o'clock p.m.

A. D. BAYFEILD,  
Westport, 11th February, 1897. Deputy Official Assignee.

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

NOTICE is hereby given that the Courthouse, Wanganui, has been appointed the place, and Monday, 1st March, at 11.30 a.m. as the time, for holding the public examination of WILLIAM and HERBERT VERNON HAMMOND, of York Farm, Marton, Sheep-farmers.

JOHN NOTMAN,  
Wanganui, 16th February, 1897. Deputy Official Assignee.

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

NOTICE is hereby given that WILLIAM DIXON, of Palmerston North, Painter, 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.

G. J. SCOTT,  
Palmerston North, 10th February, 1897. Deputy Official Assignee.

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

NOTICE is hereby given that MARY ANN HILL, of West Melton, Farmer, wife of Jonathan Hill, was this day adjudged bankrupt; and I hereby summon a meeting of creditors, to be holden at my office, on the 19th day of February, 1897, at 11 o'clock.

G. L. GREENWOOD,  
Christchurch, 12th February, 1897. Official Assignee.

*In Bankruptcy.—In the District Court of Timaru and Oamaru, holden at Timaru.*

NOTICE is hereby given that MARY FARRELL, of Geraldine, lately a Hotelkeeper, was this day adjudged bankrupt; and I hereby summon a meeting of creditors, to be holden at my office, at Timaru, on Monday, the 22nd day of February, 1897, at 11 o'clock.

ALEX. MONTGOMERY,  
Timaru, 15th February, 1897. Deputy Official Assignee.

*In Bankruptcy.—In the District Court, holden at Invercargill.*

NOTICE is hereby given that HENRY TODD, of Mataura, Labourer, was this day adjudged bankrupt; and I hereby summon a meeting of creditors, to be holden at my office, on the 22nd day of February, 1897, at 11 o'clock a.m.

CHARLES ROUT,  
Invercargill, 10th February, 1897. Deputy Official Assignee.

*In Bankruptcy.—In the District Court, holden at Invercargill.*

NOTICE is hereby given that DAVID McDONALD, of Edendale, Contractor, was this day adjudged bankrupt; and I hereby summon a meeting of creditors, to be holden at my office, on the 22nd day of February, 1897, at 2.30 o'clock.

CHARLES ROUT,  
Invercargill, 10th February, 1897. Deputy Official Assignee.

### Mining Notices.

#### STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Day Dawn Gold-mining Company (No Liability).  
When formed, and date of registration: 12th August, 1895; 24th September, 1895.  
Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.  
Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: 49, Queen Street, Auckland; William Henry Cooper, F.I.A.N.Z.  
Nominal capital: £12,000.  
Amount of capital subscribed: £12,000.  
Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: Nil.  
Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): Nil.  
Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: Nil.  
Number of shares into which capital is divided: 60,000.  
Number of shares allotted: 60,000.  
Amount paid per share: Nil.  
Amount called up per share: 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: 126.  
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: £331 15s. 4d.  
Total expenditure since registration: £852 1s. 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: £1 15s. 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):

I, William Henry Cooper, of Auckland, the Manager of the Day Dawn 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."

W. H. COOPER,  
Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 21st day of January, 1897, before me—Wm. Chas. Walker, J.P. 471

#### STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Nuhaka of Tararu Gold-mining Company (No Liability).  
When formed, and date of registration: 14th August, 1896; 24th September, 1896.  
Whether in active operation or not: Not working.  
Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: 49, Queen Street, Auckland; William Henry Cooper F.I.A.N.Z.  
Nominal capital: £3,500.  
Amount of capital subscribed: £3,500.  
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):  
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: 70,000.  
Number of shares allotted: 70,000.  
Amount paid per share:  
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: 33.  
Present number of shareholders: 37.  
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: £139 13s.  
 Total expenditure since registration: £139 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: £45 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, William Henry Cooper, of Auckland, the Manager of the Nuhaka of Tararu 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. H. COOPER,  
 Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 21st day of January, 1897, before me—Wm. Chas. Walker, J.P. 472

### STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Prince of Waihi Gold-mining Company (No Liability).  
 When formed, and date of registration: 18th June, 1896; 9th July, 1896.  
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.  
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Hobson's Buildings, Shortland Street, Auckland; John Hunter Harrison.  
 Nominal capital: £8,000.  
 Amount of capital subscribed: £8,000.  
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £475.  
 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: 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: 34.  
 Present number of shareholders: 40.  
 Number of men employed by company: 1.  
 Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preceding year: Nil.  
 Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration: Nil.  
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £363 13s. 8d.  
 Total expenditure since registration: £363 13s. 8d.  
 Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.  
 Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.  
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.  
 Amount of cash at banker's: £111 6s. 4d.  
 Amount of cash in hand: Nil.  
 Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.  
 Amount of debts considered good: Nil.  
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): Nil.

I, John Hunter Harrison, of Auckland, the Manager of the Prince 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. 470

### STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Golden Hill Extended Gold-mining Company (No Liability).  
 When formed, and date of registration: 17th June, 1895; 11th July, 1895.  
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.

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Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Hobson's Buildings, Auckland; John Hunter Harrison.  
 Nominal capital: £10,000.  
 Amount of capital subscribed: £8,850.  
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £2,063 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: 100,000.  
 Number of shares allotted: 88,500.  
 Amount paid per share: 6'6d.  
 Amount called up per share: 3d.  
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: 25; £57 5s. 10d.  
 Number of shares forfeited: 13,200.  
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: 13,200; £64 12s. 5d.  
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 66.  
 Present number of shareholders: 272.  
 Number of men employed by company: 3.  
 Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preceding year: 3oz. 13dwt.; £11 2s. 1d.  
 Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration: 3oz. 13dwt.; £11 2s. 1d.  
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £1,032 8s. 6d.  
 Total expenditure since registration: £1,988 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: £94 0s. 5d.  
 Amount of cash in hand: £2 10s.  
 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 Hill 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 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. 467

### STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Mount Aurum Gold-mining Company (No Liability).  
 When formed, and date of registration: 17th October, 1895; 31st January, 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: £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: 41.  
 Present number of shareholders: 107.  
 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: £603 15s. 2d.  
 Total expenditure since registration: £603 15s. 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: £96 4s. 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 Mount Aurum 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. 468

### STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Empress Gold-mining Company (No Liability).  
When formed, and date of registration: 21st September, 1895; 30th October, 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: £4,250.  
Amount of capital subscribed: £4,125 11s.  
Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £427 2s. 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: 85,000.  
Number of shares allotted: 82,511.  
Amount paid per share: 1-2d.  
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: 75.  
Present number of shareholders: 242.  
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: £537 9s. 7d.  
Total expenditure since registration: £654 16s. 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: £241 6s. 5d.  
Amount of cash in hand: Nil.  
Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.  
Amount of debts considered good: Nil.  
Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): Nil.

I, John Hunter Harrison, of Auckland, the Manager of the Empress 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. 469

### STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Aorere Gold-mining Company (No Liability).  
When formed, and date of registration: 31st July, 1895; 22nd August, 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: £6,000.  
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: 60,000.  
Number of shares allotted: 60,000.  
Amount paid per share: 3-6d.  
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: 41.

Present number of shareholders: 200.

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: £236 8s. 6d.

Total expenditure since registration: £800 16s. 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: £99 3s. 6d.

Amount of cash in hand: Nil.

Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.

Amount of debts considered good: Nil.

Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): Nil.

I, John Hunter Harrison, of Auckland, the Manager of the Aorere 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. 466

### STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Club Gold-mining Company (No Liability).  
When formed, and date of registration: 23rd September, 1896; 17th October, 1896.  
Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.  
Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Hobson's Buildings, Shortland Street, Auckland; William Alexander Ridings.  
Nominal capital: £8,000.  
Amount of capital subscribed: £7,000.  
Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £400.  
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: £800.  
Number of shares into which capital is divided: 80,000.  
Number of shares allotted: 70,000.  
Amount paid per share: 4½d.  
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: 49.  
Number of men employed by company: 4.  
Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preceding year: Nil.  
Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration: Nil.  
Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £155 14s. 2d.  
Total expenditure since registration: £155 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: £244 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): £31 12s. 10d.

I, William Alexander Ridings, of Auckland, the Manager of the Club 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. A. RIDINGS,  
Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 27th day of January, 1897,  
before me—W. B. Colbeck, a Solicitor of the Supreme Court of New Zealand. 501

## STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Russell Gold-mining Company (No Liability).  
 When formed, and date of registration: 31st July, 1896.  
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation, prospecting.  
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Hobson's Buildings, Shortland Street, Auckland; W. B. A. Morrison.  
 Nominal capital: £10,000.  
 Amount of capital subscribed: £9,000.  
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: Nil.  
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): Nil.  
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: Nil.  
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 100,000.  
 Number of shares allotted: 90,000.  
 Amount paid per share: Nil.  
 Amount called up per share: Nil.  
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: Nil.  
 Number of shares forfeited: Nil.  
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: Nil.  
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 86.  
 Present number of shareholders: 100.  
 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: £240.  
 Total expenditure since registration: £240.  
 Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.  
 Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.  
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.  
 Amount of cash at banker's: £272.  
 Amount of cash in hand: £3.  
 Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.  
 Amount of debts considered good: Nil.  
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): Nil.

I, W. Beamish A. Morrison, of Auckland, the Manager of the Russell 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. BEAMISH A. MORRISON,  
 Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 20th day of January, 1897,  
 before me—C. Tylden, J.P. 473

## STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Wairoa Gold-mining Company (No Liability).  
 When formed, and date of registration: 29th August, 1896.  
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation, prospecting.  
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Hobson's Buildings, Shortland Street, Auckland; W. B. A. Morrison.  
 Nominal capital: £12,000.  
 Amount of capital subscribed: £10,500.  
 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: 105,000.  
 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: 58.  
 Present number of shareholders: 64.  
 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: £325.

Total expenditure since registration: £325.  
 Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.  
 Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.  
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.  
 Amount of cash at banker's: £360.  
 Amount of cash in hand: £31.  
 Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.  
 Amount of debts considered good: Nil.  
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): Nil.

I, W. Beamish A. Morrison, of Auckland, the Manager of the Wairoa 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. BEAMISH A. MORRISON,  
 Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 20th day of January, 1897,  
 before me—C. Tylden, J.P. 474

## STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Arawata Gold-mining Company (No Liability).  
 When formed, and date of registration: 29th September, 1896.  
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation, prospecting.  
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Hobson's Buildings, Shortland Street, Auckland; W. B. A. Morrison.  
 Nominal capital: £8,000.  
 Amount of capital subscribed: £8,000.  
 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: 56.  
 Present number of shareholders: 64.  
 Number of men employed by company: 4.  
 Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preceding year: Nil.  
 Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration: Nil.  
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £247.  
 Total expenditure since registration: £247.  
 Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.  
 Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.  
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.  
 Amount of cash at banker's: £515.  
 Amount of cash in hand: £1.  
 Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.  
 Amount of debts considered good: Nil.  
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): Nil.

I, W. Beamish A. Morrison, of Auckland, the Manager of the Arawata 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. BEAMISH A. MORRISON,  
 Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 20th day of January, 1897,  
 before me—C. Tylden, J.P. 475

## STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Waitekauri Junction Gold-mining Company (No Liability).  
 When formed, and date of registration: 2nd October, 1896.  
 Whether in active operation or not: No mining operations.  
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Hobson's Buildings, Shortland Street, Auckland; W. B. A. Morrison.  
 Nominal capital: £10,000.  
 Amount of capital subscribed: £8,000.

Amount of capital actually paid up in cash : Nil.  
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any) : Nil.  
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid : Nil.  
 Number of shares into which capital is divided : 100,000.  
 Number of shares allotted : 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 : 83.  
 Present number of shareholders : 87.  
 Number of men employed by company : None.  
 Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preceding year : Nil.  
 Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration : Nil.  
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year : Nil.  
 Total expenditure since registration : £85.  
 Total amount of dividends declared : Nil.  
 Total amount of dividends paid : Nil.  
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends : Nil.  
 Amount of cash at banker's : £1,312.  
 Amount of cash in hand : £2.  
 Amount of debts directly due to company : Nil.  
 Amount of debts considered good : Nil.  
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any) : Nil.

I, W. Beamish A. Morrison, of Auckland, the Manager of the Waitekauri Junction 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."

W. BEAMISH A. MORRISON,  
 Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 20th day of January, 1897,  
 before me—C. Tylden, J.P. 476

#### STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company : Grafton United Gold-mining Company (Limited).  
 When formed, and date of registration : 26th November, 1896; 10th December, 1896.  
 Whether in active operation or not : Worked by option-holders.  
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager : Hobson's Buildings, Shortland Street, Auckland; W. B. A. Morrison.  
 Nominal capital : £65,000.  
 Amount of capital subscribed : £65,000.  
 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) : £58,500; no cash received.  
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid : £58,500.  
 Number of shares into which capital is divided : 65,000.  
 Number of shares allotted : 65,000.  
 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 : 26.  
 Present number of shareholders : 26.  
 Number of men employed by company : Worked by option-holders.  
 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 : £38.  
 Total amount of dividends declared : Nil.  
 Total amount of dividends paid : Nil.  
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends : Nil.  
 Amount of cash at banker's : £50.  
 Amount of cash in hand : £5.  
 Amount of debts directly due to company : Nil.  
 Amount of debts considered good : Nil.  
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any) : Nil.

I, W. Beamish A. Morrison, of Auckland, the Manager of the Grafton United 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."

W. BEAMISH A. MORRISON,  
 Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 3rd day of February, 1897,  
 before me—Thos. Peacock, J.P. 478

#### STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company : Whakamarama Gold Syndicate (Limited).  
 When formed, and date of registration : 1st August, 1896; 28th October, 1896.  
 Whether in active operation or not : No mining done yet.  
 Where business is conducted, and name of Secretary : Hobson's Buildings, Shortland Street, Auckland; M. A. Philips.  
 Nominal capital : £2,000.  
 Amount of capital subscribed : £1,000.  
 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) : £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 : 2,000.  
 Number of shares allotted : 1,000.  
 Amount paid per share : 10s.  
 Amount called up per share : 10s.  
 Number and amount of calls in arrear : £75.  
 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 : 15.  
 Present number of shareholders : 15.  
 Number of men employed by company : None.  
 Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preceding year : Nil.  
 Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration : Nil.  
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year : Nil.  
 Total expenditure since registration : £188.  
 Total amount of dividends declared : Nil.  
 Total amount of dividends paid : Nil.  
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends : Nil.  
 Amount of cash at banker's : £46.  
 Amount of cash in hand : £5.  
 Amount of debts directly due to company : Nil.  
 Amount of debts considered good : Nil.  
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any) : Nil.

I, M. A. Philips, of Auckland, the Secretary of the Whakamarama Gold Syndicate (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."

M. A. PHILIPS,  
 Secretary.

Declared at Auckland, this 3rd day of February, 1897,  
 before me—Thos. Peacock, J.P. 477

#### STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company : Prince of Wales Gold-mining Company (No Liability).  
 When formed, and date of registration : 11th August, 1896; 20th August, 1896.  
 Whether in active operation or not : In active operation.  
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager : 106 and 107, Victoria Arcade; William R. Waters.  
 Nominal capital : £4,000.  
 Amount of capital subscribed : Nil.  
 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: 60.  
 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 half-year: £384 12s. 1d.  
 Total expenditure since registration: £384 12s. 1d.  
 Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.  
 Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.  
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.  
 Amount of cash at banker's: £265 7s. 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): £24 2s. 10d.

I, William Richard Waters, of Auckland, the Manager of the Prince of Wales Gold-mining Company (No Liability), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company on the 31st day of December, 1896; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

WM. R. WATERS,  
 Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 21st day of January, 1897, before me—C. J. Parr, a Solicitor of the Supreme Court of New Zealand. 498

#### STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Waihi Welcome Gold-mining Company (No Liability).  
 When formed, and date of registration: 9th June, 1896; 14th August, 1896.  
 Whether in active operation or not: . . . . .  
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: 106 and 107, Victoria Arcade; William R. Waters.  
 Nominal capital: £5,000.  
 Amount of capital subscribed: Nil.  
 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: 95,599.  
 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: 19.  
 Present number of shareholders: 126.  
 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 half-year:  
 Total expenditure since registration: £118 11s. 6d.  
 Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.  
 Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.  
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.  
 Amount of cash at banker's: £125 3s. 6d.  
 Amount of cash in hand: Nil.  
 Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.  
 Amount of debts considered good: Nil.  
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): £32 19s. 2d.

I, William Richard Waters, of Auckland, the Manager of the Waihi Welcome Gold-mining Company (No Liability), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company at the 31st day of December, 1896; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

WM. R. WATERS,  
 Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 21st day of January, 1897, before me—C. J. Parr, a Solicitor of the Supreme Court of New Zealand. 499

#### STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Fiery Cross Gold-mining Company (No Liability).  
 When formed, and date of registration: 20th July, 1896; 29th August, 1896.  
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.  
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: 106 and 107, Victoria Arcade; William R. Waters.  
 Nominal capital: £4,000.  
 Amount of capital subscribed: Nil.  
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: Nil.  
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): Nil.  
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: Nil.  
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 70,000.  
 Number of shares allotted: 70,000.  
 Amount paid per share: Nil.  
 Amount called up per share: Nil.  
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: Nil.  
 Number of shares forfeited: Nil.  
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: Nil.  
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 47.  
 Present number of shareholders: 154.  
 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: £552 15s. 3d.  
 Total expenditure since registration: £552 15s. 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: £205.  
 Amount of cash in hand: Nil.  
 Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.  
 Amount of debts considered good: Nil.  
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): £2 7s.

I, William Richard Waters, of Auckland, the Manager of the Fiery 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."

WM. R. WATERS,  
 Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 21st day of January, 1897, before me—C. J. Parr, a Solicitor of the Supreme Court of New Zealand. 500

#### STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Trilby Gold-mining Company (No Liability).  
 When formed, and date of registration: 26th July, 1896; 29th August, 1896.  
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.  
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: 106 and 107, Victoria Arcade; Wm. R. Waters.  
 Nominal capital: £4,000.  
 Amount of capital subscribed: Nil.  
 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: 58.  
 Present number of shareholders: 72.  
 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 half-year: £330 16s. 7d.  
 Total expenditure since registration: £330 16s. 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: £319 3s. 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):

I, William Richard Waters, of Auckland, the Manager of the Trilby Gold-mining Company (No Liability), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company at the 31st day of December, 1896; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

WM. R. WATERS,  
 Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 21st day of January, 1897, before me—C. J. Parr, a Solicitor of the Supreme Court of New Zealand. 495

### STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Tararu Extended Gold-mining Company (No Liability).  
 When formed, and date of registration: 26th June, 1896; 14th August, 1896.  
 Whether in active operation or not:  
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: 106 and 107, Victoria Arcade; Wm. R. Waters.  
 Nominal capital: £3,500.  
 Amount of capital subscribed: Nil.  
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: Nil.  
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): Nil.  
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: Nil.  
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 70,000.  
 Number of shares allotted: 58,000.  
 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: 32.  
 Present number of shareholders: 54.  
 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 half-year: £182 19s. 3d.  
 Total expenditure since registration: £182 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: £54 10s. 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): £14 8s. 10d.

I, William Richard Waters, of Auckland, the Manager of the Tararu 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."

WM. R. WATERS,  
 Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 21st day of January, 1897, before me—C. J. Parr, a Solicitor of the Supreme Court of New Zealand. 496

### STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Star of Waitekauri Gold-mining Company (No Liability).  
 When formed, and date of registration: 12th December, 1895; 15th April, 1896.  
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.  
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: 106 and 107, Victoria Arcade; Wm. R. Waters.  
 Nominal capital: £18,750.  
 Amount of capital subscribed: Nil.

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: 125,000.  
 Number of shares allotted: 86,500.  
 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: 58.  
 Present number of shareholders: 75.  
 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 half-year: £1,597 4s. 6d.  
 Total expenditure since registration: £1,597 4s. 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: £15 12s. 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): £34 11s.

I, William Richard Waters, of Auckland, the Manager of the Star of Waitekauri Gold-mining Company (No Liability), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company at the 31st day of December, 1896; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

WM. R. WATERS,  
 Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 21st day of January, 1897, before me—C. J. Parr, a Solicitor of the Supreme Court of New Zealand. 497

### STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Kumara Long Tunnel Gold-mining Company (Limited).  
 When formed, and date of registration: 16th May, 1882.  
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.  
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Kumara; George Robert Rudkin.  
 Nominal capital: £16,000.  
 Amount of capital subscribed: £8,000, being the value of the property and plant at date of registration.  
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £7,433 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: 16,000.  
 Amount paid per share: 9s. 3½d.  
 Amount called up per share: 9s. 3½d.  
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: Nil.  
 Number of shares forfeited: 3,440.  
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: 3,440; £120 5s.  
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 14.  
 Total amount of dividends declared: £5,050.  
 Total amount of dividends paid: £5,018 15s.  
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends: £31 5s.  
 Amount of cash at banker's: £303 16s. 2d.  
 Amount of cash in hand: Nil.  
 Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.  
 Amount of debts considered good: Nil.  
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): Nil.

I, George Robert Rudkin, the Manager of the Kumara Long Tunnel 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 15th day of January, 1897; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

GEO. ROBT. RUDKIN,  
 Manager.

Declared at Kumara, this 30th day of January, 1897, before me—James S. Benyon, J.P. 502

## STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: New Golconda Gold-mining Company (No Liability).  
 When formed, and date of registration: 18th June, 1895; 22nd August, 1895.  
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.  
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: 11, New Zealand Insurance Buildings, Auckland; Dennis Gilmore MacDonnell.  
 Nominal capital: £7,500.  
 Amount of capital subscribed: £7,500.  
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £3,233 6s. 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: 75,000.  
 Number of shares allotted: 75,000.  
 Amount paid per share: 8d.  
 Amount called up per share: 8d.  
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: 1; £200 15s. 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: 42.  
 Present number of shareholders: 208.  
 Number of men employed by company: 17.  
 Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preceding year: Nil.  
 Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration: Nil.  
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £2,244 5s. 2d.  
 Total expenditure since registration: £2,920 15s. 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: £109 15s. 2d.  
 Amount of cash in hand: £2.  
 Amount of debts directly due to company: £200 15s. 4d.  
 Amount of debts considered good: £200 15s. 4d.  
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): £170 3s. 9d.

I, Dennis Gilmore MacDonnell, of Auckland, the Manager of the New Golconda 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."

D. G. MACDONNELL,  
 Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 30th day of January, 1897, before me—D. B. McDonald, Justice of the Peace. 532

## STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Nestor Gold-mining Company (No Liability).  
 When formed, and date of registration: 14th April, 1896; 28th May, 1896.  
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.  
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: 11, New Zealand Insurance Buildings, Auckland; Dennis Gilmore MacDonnell.  
 Nominal capital: £6,000.  
 Amount of capital subscribed: £4,106 5s.  
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £586 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: 54,750.  
 Amount paid per share: 1d.  
 Amount called up per share: 1d.  
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: £165 16s. 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: 42.  
 Present number of shareholders: 106.  
 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: £404 18s. 2d.  
 Total expenditure since registration: £404 18s. 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: £16 2s. 8d.  
 Amount of cash in hand: Nil.  
 Amount of debts directly due to company: £165 16s. 8d.  
 Amount of debts considered good: £165 16s. 8d.  
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): £12 9s. 5d.

I, Dennis Gilmore MacDonnell, of Auckland, the Manager of the Nestor 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."

D. G. MACDONNELL,  
 Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 30th day of January, 1897, before me—D. B. McDonald, J.P. 533

## STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Mount Argentum Gold- and Silver-mining Company (No Liability).  
 When formed, and date of registration: 6th October, 1896; 23rd November, 1896.  
 Whether in active operation or not: Not in active operation.  
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: 11, New Zealand Insurance Buildings, Auckland; Dennis Gilmore MacDonnell.  
 Nominal capital: £4,000.  
 Amount of capital subscribed: £4,000.  
 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: 80,000.  
 Number of shares allotted: 80,000.  
 Amount paid per share: 6/10 of a 1d.  
 Amount called up per share: 6/10 of a 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: 44.  
 Present number of shareholders: 90.  
 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: £49 1s. 10d.  
 Total expenditure since registration: £49 1s. 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: £150 18s. 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): £7 2s. 3d.

I, Dennis Gilmore MacDonnell, of Auckland, the Manager of the Mount Argentum Gold- and Silver-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."

D. G. MACDONNELL,  
 Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 30th day of January, 1897, before me—D. B. McDonald, J.P. 534

## STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Golden Caledonia Gold-mining Company (No Liability).  
 When formed, and date of registration: 31st July, 1896; 11th September, 1896.  
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.

Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager :  
11, New Zealand Insurance Buildings, Auckland; Dennis  
Gilmore MacDonnell.  
Nominal capital: £7,000.  
Amount of capital subscribed: £6,000.  
Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £425.  
Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of  
cash received for same (if any): Nil.  
Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no  
cash has been paid: Nil.  
Number of shares into which capital is divided: 70,000.  
Number of shares allotted: 60,000.  
Amount paid per share: Nil.  
Amount called up per share: Nil.  
Number and amount of calls in arrear: Nil.  
Number of shares forfeited: Nil.  
Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for  
same: Nil.  
Number of shareholders at time of registration of company:  
53.  
Present number of shareholders: 65.  
Number of men employed by company: 3.  
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: £278 14s.  
Total expenditure since registration: £278 14s.  
Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.  
Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.  
Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.  
Amount of cash at banker's: £146 6s.  
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, Dennis Gilmore MacDonnell, of Auckland, the Manager  
of the Golden Caledonia Gold-mining Company (No Lia-  
bility), 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."

D. G. MACDONNELL,  
Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 30th day of January, 1897,  
before me—D. B. McDonald, J.P. 553

### STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Golden Waitekauri Gold-mining Com-  
pany (No Liability).  
When formed, and date of registration: 27th July, 1896;  
18th September, 1896.  
Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.  
Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager:  
11, New Zealand Insurance Buildings, Auckland; Dennis  
Gilmore MacDonnell.  
Nominal capital: £10,000.  
Amount of capital subscribed: £10,000.  
Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £745.  
Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of  
cash received for same (if any): Nil.  
Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no  
cash has been paid: Nil.  
Number of shares into which capital is divided: 100,000.  
Number of shares allotted: 100,000.  
Amount paid 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 com-  
pany: 61.  
Present number of shareholders: 82.  
Number of men employed by company: 5.  
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: £426 4s. 10d.  
Total expenditure since registration: £426 4s. 10d.  
Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.  
Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.  
Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.  
Amount of cash at banker's: £318 15s. 2d.  
Amount of cash in hand: Nil.  
Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.

Amount of debts considered good: Nil.  
Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): Nil.

I, Dennis Gilmore MacDonnell, of Auckland, the Manager  
of the Golden Waitekauri Gold-mining Company (No Lia-  
bility), 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."

D. G. MACDONNELL,  
Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 30th day of January, 1897,  
before me—D. B. McDonald, J.P. 554

### STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Fabulous 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:  
11, New Zealand Insurance Buildings, Auckland; Dennis  
Gilmore MacDonnell.  
Nominal capital: £7,000.  
Amount of capital subscribed: £6,000.  
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: 70,000.  
Number of shares allotted: 60,000.  
Amount paid per share: Nil.  
Amount called up per share: Nil.  
Number and amount of calls in arrear: Nil.  
Number of shares forfeited: Nil.  
Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for  
same: Nil.  
Number of shareholders at time of registration of com-  
pany: 60.  
Present number of shareholders: 88.  
Number of men employed by company: 3.  
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 5s.  
Total expenditure since registration: £337 5s.  
Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.  
Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.  
Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.  
Amount of cash at banker's: £162 15s.  
Amount of cash in hand: Nil.  
Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.  
Amount of debts considered good: Nil.  
Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any):  
£6 6s.

I, Dennis Gilmore MacDonnell, of Auckland, the Manager  
of the Fabulous Gold-mining Company (No Liability), do  
solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and com-  
plete 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."

D. G. MACDONNELL,  
Manager.

Declared at Dunedin, this 30th day of January, 1897,  
before me—D. B. McDonald, J.P. 555

### STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Wheel Bassett Gold-mining Company  
(No Liability).  
When formed, and date of registration: 10th June, 1896;  
10th July, 1896.  
Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.  
Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager:  
No. 11, New Zealand Insurance Buildings, Auckland;  
Dennis Gilmore MacDonnell.  
Nominal capital: £7,000.  
Amount of capital subscribed: £6,500.  
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 on  
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: 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: 40.  
 Present number of shareholders: 62.  
 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: £864 11s. 5d.  
 Total expenditure since registration: £864 11s. 5d.  
 Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.  
 Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.  
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.  
 Amount of cash at banker's: £185 8s. 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): £9 18s. 7d.

I, Dennis Gilmore MacDonnell, of Auckland, the Manager of the Wheal Bassett 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."

D. G. MACDONNELL,  
 Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 30th day of January, 1897,  
 before me—D. B. McDonald, J.P. 521

#### STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Four-in-hand Gold-mining Company (No Liability).  
 When formed, and date of registration: 7th July, 1895; 4th September, 1895.  
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.  
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: No. 11, New Zealand Insurance Buildings, Auckland; Dennis Gilmore MacDonnell.  
 Nominal capital: £6,000.  
 Amount of capital subscribed: £6,000.  
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £1,005.  
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): Nil.  
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: Nil.  
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 60,000.  
 Number of shares allotted: 60,000.  
 Amount paid per share: 2d.  
 Amount called up per share: 2d.  
 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: 167.  
 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: £861 16s. 3d.  
 Total expenditure since registration: £1,152 14s. 4d.  
 Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.  
 Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.  
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.  
 Amount of cash at banker's: Nil.  
 Amount of cash in hand: Nil.  
 Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.  
 Amount of debts considered good: Nil.  
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): £147 14s. 4d.

I, Dennis Gilmore MacDonnell, of Auckland, the Manager of the Four-in-hand 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

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

D. G. MACDONNELL,  
 Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 30th day of January, 1897,  
 before me—D. B. McDonald, J.P. 556

#### STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Deep Lead Gold-mining Company (No Liability).  
 When formed, and date of registration: 1st June, 1896; 24th August, 1896.  
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.  
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: 11, New Zealand Insurance Buildings, Auckland; Dennis Gilmore MacDonnell.  
 Nominal capital: £7,500.  
 Amount of capital subscribed: £5,250.  
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £687 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: 100,000.  
 Number of shares allotted: 70,000.  
 Amount paid per share: 1d.  
 Amount called up per share: 1d.  
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: 1; £291 13s. 4d.  
 Number of shares forfeited: Nil.  
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: Nil.  
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 12.  
 Present number of shareholders: 12.  
 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: £442 17s.  
 Total expenditure since registration: £442 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: Nil.  
 Amount of cash in hand: Nil.  
 Amount of debts directly due to company: £291 13s. 4d.  
 Amount of debts considered good: £291 13s. 4d.  
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): £46 17s.

I, Dennis Gilmore MacDonnell, of Auckland, the Manager of the Deep Lead 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."

D. G. MACDONNELL,  
 Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 30th day of January, 1897,  
 before me—D. B. McDonald, J.P. 557

#### STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Excelsior Gold-mining Company (No Liability).  
 When formed, and date of registration: 19th June, 1895; 29th August, 1896.  
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.  
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: 11, New Zealand Insurance Buildings, Auckland; Dennis Gilmore MacDonnell.  
 Nominal capital: £9,000.  
 Amount of capital subscribed: £7,368 15s.  
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £1,091 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: 60,000.  
 Number of shares allotted: 49,125.  
 Amount paid per share: 2d.  
 Amount called up per share: 2d.  
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: £97 14s. 2d.  
 Number of shares forfeited: Nil.  
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: Nil.  
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 25.

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: £202.  
 Total expenditure since registration: £914 11s. 11d.  
 Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.  
 Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.  
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.  
 Amount of cash at banker's: £77 11s. 5d.  
 Amount of cash in hand: £2.  
 Amount of debts directly due to company: £97 14s. 2d.  
 Amount of debts considered good: £97 14s. 2d.  
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): £13 4s. 1d.

I, Dennis Gilmore MacDonnell, of Auckland, the Manager of the Excelsior 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."

D. G. MACDONNELL,  
 Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 30th day of January, 1897,  
 before me—D. B. McDonald, J.P. 558

### STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Waihi Monument Gold-mining Company (No Liability).  
 When formed, and date of registration: 9th September, 1895; 10th October, 1895.  
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.  
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: 11, New Zealand Insurance Buildings, Auckland; Dennis Gilmore MacDonnell.  
 Nominal capital: £25,000.  
 Amount of capital subscribed: £25,000.  
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £2,200.  
 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: 100,000.  
 Number of shares allotted: 100,000.  
 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: 44.  
 Present number of shareholders: 152.  
 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: £1,055 3s. 6d.  
 Total expenditure since registration: £1,370 8s. 4d.  
 Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.  
 Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.  
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.  
 Amount of cash at banker's: £829 11s. 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): £8 1s. 3d.

I, Dennis Gilmore MacDonnell, of Auckland, the Manager of the Waihi Monument 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."

D. G. MACDONNELL,  
 Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 30th day of January, 1897,  
 before me—D. B. McDonald, J.P. 523

### STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Midas Gold-mining Company (No Liability).  
 When formed, and date of registration: 14th August, 1895; 4th September, 1895.  
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.  
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: 11, New Zealand Insurance Buildings, Auckland; Dennis Gilmore MacDonnell.  
 Nominal capital: £10,500.  
 Amount of capital subscribed: £9,000.  
 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: 70,000.  
 Number of shares allotted: 60,000.  
 Amount paid per share: 2d.  
 Amount called up per share: 2d.  
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: £244 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: 33.  
 Present number of shareholders: 151.  
 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: £1,037 17s. 9d.  
 Total expenditure since registration: £1,371 6s. 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: Nil.  
 Amount of debts directly due to company: £244 3s. 4d.  
 Amount of debts considered good: £244 3s. 4d.  
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): £15 10s. 2d.

I, Dennis Gilmore MacDonnell, of Auckland, the Manager of the Midas 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."

D. G. MACDONNELL,  
 Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 30th day of January, 1897,  
 before me—D. B. McDonald, J.P. 535

### STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Magazine Gold-mining Company (No Liability).  
 When formed, and date of registration: 26th September, 1895; 16th October, 1895.  
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.  
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: 11, New Zealand Insurance Buildings, Auckland; Dennis Gilmore MacDonnell.  
 Nominal capital: £10,000.  
 Amount of capital subscribed: £5,750.  
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £1,283 2s. 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: 100,000.  
 Number of shares allotted: 57,550.  
 Amount paid per share: 3d.  
 Amount called up per share: 3d.  
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: £148 10s. 1d.  
 Number of shares forfeited: 500.  
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: 500; £5 4s. 2d.  
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 50.  
 Present number of shareholders: 91.  
 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: £816 15s. 7d.  
 Total expenditure since registration: £1,094 18s. 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: £39 13s. 9d.  
 Amount of cash in hand: Nil.  
 Amount of debts directly due to company: £148 10s. 1d.  
 Amount of debts considered good: £148 10s. 1d.  
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): £35 12s. 7d.

I, Dennis Gilmore MacDonnell, of Auckland, the Manager of the Magazine 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."

D. G. MACDONNELL,  
 Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 30th day of January, 1897, before me—D. B. McDonald, J.P. 536

### STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Kaitoke Gold- and Silver-mining Company (No Liability).  
 When formed, and date of registration: 6th October, 1896; 23rd November, 1896.  
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.  
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: 11, New Zealand Insurance Buildings, Auckland; Dennis Gilmore MacDonnell.  
 Nominal capital: £4,000.  
 Amount of capital subscribed: £4,000.  
 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: 80,000.  
 Number of shares allotted: 80,000.  
 Amount paid per share: 6-10d.  
 Amount called up per share: 6-10d.  
 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: 60.  
 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: £96 10s. 1d.  
 Total expenditure since registration: £96 10s. 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: £103 9s. 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): £6 16s. 6d.

I, Dennis Gilmore MacDonnell, of Auckland, the Manager of the Kaitoke Gold and Silver-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."

D. G. MACDONNELL,  
 Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 30th day of January, 1897, before me—D. B. McDonald, J.P. 537

### STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: The King of Waihi Gold-mining Company (No Liability).  
 When formed, and date of registration: 25th September, 1895; 14th November, 1895.  
 Whether in active operation or not: Not in active operation.

Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: 11, New Zealand Insurance Buildings, Auckland; Dennis Gilmore MacDonnell.

Nominal capital: £12,500.  
 Amount of capital subscribed: £10,000.  
 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): 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: Nil.  
 Amount called up per share: Nil.  
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: Nil.  
 Number of shares forfeited: Nil.  
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: Nil.  
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 53.  
 Present number of shareholders: 150.  
 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: £589 8s. 11d.  
 Total expenditure since registration: £730 14s. 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: £469 5s. 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): £32 11s. 7d.

I, Dennis Gilmore MacDonnell, of Auckland, the Manager of the King 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."

D. G. MACDONNELL,  
 Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 30th day of January, 1897, before me—D. B. McDonald, J.P. 538

### STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: The Juno Gold-mining Company (No Liability).  
 When formed, and date of registration: 28th January, 1896; 3rd March, 1896.  
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.  
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: 11, New Zealand Insurance Buildings, Auckland; Dennis Gilmore MacDonnell.  
 Nominal capital: £11,250.  
 Amount of capital subscribed: £7,119 17s. 6d.  
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £1,370 14s. 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: 90,000.  
 Number of shares allotted: 71,119.  
 Amount paid per share: 2d.  
 Amount called up per share: 2d.  
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: £160 11s.  
 Number of shares forfeited: 250.  
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: 250; £5 4s. 1d.  
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 80.  
 Present number of shareholders: 103.  
 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: £1,166 11s. 5d.  
 Total expenditure since registration: £1,166 11s. 5d.  
 Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.  
 Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.  
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.  
 Amount of cash at banker's: £43 11s. 11d.  
 Amount of cash in hand: Nil.

Amount of debts directly due to company: £160 11s.  
 Amount of debts considered good: £160 11s.  
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any):  
 £8 13s. 2d.

I, Dennis Gilmore MacDonnell, of Auckland, the Manager of the Juno 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."

D. G. MACDONNELL,  
 Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 30th day of January, 1897,  
 before me—D. B. McDonald, J.P. 539

### STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: The Jocelyn Gold-mining Company (No Liability).  
 When formed, and date of registration: 12th June, 1896; 16th July, 1896.  
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.  
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager:  
 11, New Zealand Insurance Buildings, Auckland; Dennis Gilmore MacDonnell.  
 Nominal capital: £7,200.  
 Amount of capital subscribed: £6,400.  
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £515.  
 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: 72,000.  
 Number of shares allotted: £64,000.  
 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: 54.  
 Present number of shareholders: 58.  
 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: £479 3s. 9d.  
 Total expenditure since registration: £479 3s. 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: £35 16s. 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):  
 £6 5s. 2d.

I, Dennis Gilmore MacDonnell, of Auckland, the Manager of the Jocelyn 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."

D. G. MACDONNELL,  
 Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 30th day of January, 1897,  
 before me—D. B. McDonald, J.P. 540

### STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Golden Hill Gold-mining Company (No Liability).  
 When formed, and date of registration: 20th March, 1895; 18th May, 1895.  
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.  
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager:  
 No. 11, New Zealand Insurance Buildings, Auckland; Dennis Gilmore MacDonnell.  
 Nominal capital: £7,500.  
 Amount of capital subscribed: £7,500.  
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £1,875.  
 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: 50,000.  
 Number of shares allotted: 50,000.

Amount paid per share: 9d.  
 Amount called up per share: 6d.  
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: £65 11s. 8d.  
 Number of shares forfeited: 150.  
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: 150; £1 11s. 3d.  
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 65.  
 Present number of shareholders: 137.  
 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: £513 17s. 7d.  
 Total expenditure since registration: £1,723 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: £85 13s. 7d.  
 Amount of cash in hand: Nil.  
 Amount of debts directly due to company: £65 11s. 8d.  
 Amount of debts considered good: £65 11s. 8d.  
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): Nil.

I, Dennis Gilmore MacDonnell, of Auckland, the Manager of the Golden Hill 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."

D. G. MACDONNELL,  
 Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 30th day of January, 1897,  
 before me—D. B. McDonald, J.P. 550

### STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Golden Horn Gold-mining Company (No Liability).  
 When formed, and date of registration: 4th June, 1896; 25th June, 1896.  
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.  
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager:  
 No. 11, New Zealand Insurance Buildings, Auckland; Dennis Gilmore MacDonnell.  
 Nominal capital: £7,000.  
 Amount of capital subscribed: £6,000.  
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £426 6s. 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: 70,000.  
 Number of shares allotted: 60,000.  
 Amount paid per share: Nil.  
 Amount called up per share: Nil.  
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: Nil.  
 Number of shares forfeited: Nil.  
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: Nil.  
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 46.  
 Present number of shareholders: 152.  
 Number of men employed by company: 5.  
 Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preceding year: £7 13s. 1d.  
 Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration: £7 13s. 1d.  
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £411 19s.  
 Total expenditure since registration: £411 19s.  
 Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.  
 Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.  
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.  
 Amount of cash at banker's: £22 0s. 7d.  
 Amount of cash in hand: Nil.  
 Amount of debts directly due to company: £12 10s.  
 Amount of debts considered good: £12 10s.  
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any):  
 £14 9s. 2d.

I, Dennis Gilmore MacDonnell, of Auckland, the Manager of the Golden Horn 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."

D. G. MACDONNELL,  
 Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 30th day of January, 1897,  
 before me—D. B. McDonald, J.P. 551

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

Name of company: Marco Polo Gold-mining Company (No Liability).  
 When formed, and date of registration: 18th September, 1896; 17th October, 1896.  
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.  
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: 11, New Zealand Insurance Buildings, Auckland; Dennis Gilmore MacDonnell.  
 Nominal capital: £5,000.  
 Amount of capital subscribed: £3,350.  
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £350.  
 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: 67,000.  
 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: 50.  
 Present number of shareholders: 68.  
 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: £276 6s. 11d.  
 Total expenditure since registration: £276 6s. 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: £73 13s. 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): £4 6s. 6d.

I, Dennis Gilmore MacDonnell, of Auckland, the Manager of the Marco Polo 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."

D. G. MACDONNELL,  
 Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 30th day of January, 1897,  
 before me—D. B. McDonald, J.P. 552

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

Name of company: Jay Gould Gold-mining Company (No Liability).  
 When formed, and date of registration: 30th October, 1896; 7th December, 1896.  
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.  
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: 11, New Zealand Insurance Buildings, Auckland; Dennis Gilmore MacDonnell.  
 Nominal capital: £7,500.  
 Amount of capital subscribed: £7,500.  
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £400.  
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): Nil.  
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: Nil.  
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 100,000.  
 Number of shares allotted: 100,000.  
 Amount paid 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: 61.  
 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: £125 0s. 3d.  
 Total expenditure since registration: £125 0s. 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: £274 19s. 9d.  
 Amount of cash in hand: Nil.  
 Amount of debts directly due to company: £10.  
 Amount of debts considered good: £10.  
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): £13 14s. 4d.

I, Dennis Gilmore MacDonnell, of Auckland, the Manager of the Jay Gould 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."

D. G. MACDONNELL,  
 Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 30th day of January, 1897,  
 before me—D. B. McDonald, J.P. 541

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

Name of company: Hinton Gold-mining Company (No Liability).  
 When formed, and date of registration: 5th August, 1896; 11th September, 1896.  
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.  
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: 11, New Zealand Insurance Buildings, Auckland; Dennis Gilmore MacDonnell.  
 Nominal capital: £8,000.  
 Amount of capital subscribed: £6,500.  
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £592 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: 80,000.  
 Number of shares allotted: 65,000.  
 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: 55.  
 Present number of shareholders: 64.  
 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: £338 13s. 9d.  
 Total expenditure since registration: £338 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: £253 16s. 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): £12 10s.

I, Dennis Gilmore MacDonnell, of Auckland, the Manager of the Hinton 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."

D. G. MACDONNELL,  
 Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 30th day of January, 1897,  
 before me—D. B. McDonald, J.P. 542

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

Name of company: Heitman Freehold Gold-mining Company (No Liability).  
 When formed, and date of registration: 4th October, 1895; 7th November, 1895.  
 Whether in active operation or not: Not in active operation.  
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: 11, New Zealand Insurance Buildings, Auckland; Dennis Gilmore MacDonnell.

Nominal capital: £12,500.  
 Amount of capital subscribed: £10,000.  
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £2,321 6s. 8d.  
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): Nil.  
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: Nil.  
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 100,000.  
 Number of shares allotted: 80,000.  
 Amount paid per share: 1d.  
 Amount called up per share: 1d.  
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: Nil.  
 Number of shares forfeited: 27,074.  
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: 27,074; £1 19s. 2d.  
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 64.  
 Present number of shareholders: 111.  
 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: £1,738 4s. 7d.  
 Total expenditure since registration: £2,180 2s. 1d.  
 Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.  
 Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.  
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.  
 Amount of cash at banker's: £28 8s. 5d.  
 Amount of cash in hand: Nil.  
 Amount of debts directly due to company: £110 17s.  
 Amount of debts considered good: Nil.  
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): £410 14s. 7d.

I, Dennis Gilmore MacDonnell, of Auckland, the Manager of the Heitman Freehold Gold-mining Company (No Liability), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company at the 31st day of December, 1896; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

D. G. MACDONNELL,  
 Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 30th day of January, 1897,  
 before me—D. B. McDonald, J.P. 543

### STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: The Pandora Gold-mining Company (No Liability).  
 When formed, and date of registration: 17th June, 1896; 29th July, 1896.  
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.  
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: 11, New Zealand Insurance Buildings, Auckland; Dennis Gilmore MacDonnell.  
 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): 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: 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: 58.  
 Present number of shareholders: 138.  
 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: £766 7s. 7d.  
 Total expenditure since registration: £766 7s. 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: £433 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): £6 5s. 11d.

I, Dennis Gilmore MacDonnell, of Auckland, the Manager of the Pandora 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."

D. G. MACDONNELL,  
 Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 30th day of January, 1897,  
 before me—D. B. McDonald, J.P. 529

### STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: The Plunger Gold-mining Company (No Liability).  
 When formed, and date of registration: 18th June, 1896; 23rd July, 1896.  
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.  
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: 11, New Zealand Insurance Buildings, Auckland; Dennis Gilmore MacDonnell.  
 Nominal capital: £8,000.  
 Amount of capital subscribed: £6,800.  
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £562 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: 80,000.  
 Number of shares allotted: 68,000.  
 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: 56.  
 Present number of shareholders: 73.  
 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: £406 7s. 6d.  
 Total expenditure since registration: £406 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: £156 2s. 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): £11 10s. 7d.

I, Dennis Gilmore MacDonnell, of Auckland, the Manager of the Plunger 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."

D. G. MACDONNELL,  
 Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 30th day of January, 1897,  
 before me—D. B. McDonald, J.P. 530

### STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: The Portsea Gold-mining Company (Limited).  
 When formed, and date of registration: 8th March, 1894; 14th March, 1894.  
 Whether in active operation or not: Not in active operation.  
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: 11, New Zealand Insurance Buildings, Auckland; Dennis Gilmore MacDonnell.  
 Nominal capital: £12,500.  
 Amount of capital subscribed: £11,250.  
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £776 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: £4,500.  
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 50,000.  
 Number of shares allotted: 45,000.  
 Amount paid per share: 3½d.  
 Amount called up per share: 3½d.

Number and amount of calls in arrear : 1 ; £6 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 : 28.  
 Present number of shareholders : 117.  
 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 : £218 12s. 10d.  
 Total expenditure since registration : £770 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 : 1d.  
 Amount of cash in hand : Nil.  
 Amount of debts directly due to company : £6 1s. 8d.  
 Amount of debts considered good : £6 1s. 8d.  
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any) : Nil.

I, Dennis Gilmore MacDonnell, of Auckland, the Manager of the Portsea 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."

D. G. MACDONNELL,  
 Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 30th day of January, 1897,  
 before me—D. B. McDonald, J.P. 531

#### STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company : Sovereign Gold-mining Company (No Liability).  
 When formed, and date of registration : 10th September, 1895 ; 11th March, 1896.  
 Whether in active operation or not : In active operation.  
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager : 11, New Zealand Insurance Buildings, Auckland ; Dennis Gilmore MacDonnell.  
 Nominal capital : £15,000.  
 Amount of capital subscribed : £15,000.  
 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) : Nil.  
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid : Nil.  
 Number of shares into which capital is divided : 100,000.  
 Number of shares allotted : 100,000.  
 Amount paid 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 : 68.  
 Present number of shareholders : 220.  
 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 : £933 5s.  
 Total expenditure since registration : £933 5s.  
 Total amount of dividends declared : Nil.  
 Total amount of dividends paid : Nil.  
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends : Nil.  
 Amount of cash at banker's : £566 15s.  
 Amount of cash in hand : Nil.  
 Amount of debts directly due to company : Nil.  
 Amount of debts considered good : Nil.  
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any) : £6 7s. 8d.

I, Dennis Gilmore MacDonnell, of Auckland, the Manager of the Sovereign 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."

D. G. MACDONNELL,  
 Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 30th day of January, 1897,  
 before me—D. B. McDonald, J.P. 526

#### STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company : Stanley Gold-mining Company (No Liability).  
 When formed, and date of registration : 18th June, 1895 ; 12th July, 1895.  
 Whether in active operation or not : In active operation.  
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager : 11, New Zealand Insurance Buildings, Auckland ; Dennis Gilmore MacDonnell.  
 Nominal capital : £10,000.  
 Amount of capital subscribed : £8,328 10s.  
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash : £1,763 1s. 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 : 100,000.  
 Number of shares allotted : 83,235.  
 Amount paid per share : 4d.  
 Amount called up per share : 4d.  
 Number and amount of calls in arrear : £96 13s. 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 : 60.  
 Present number of shareholders : 218.  
 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 : £1,116 4s. 4d.  
 Total expenditure since registration : £1,555 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 : £108 15s. 4d.  
 Amount of cash in hand : £2.  
 Amount of debts directly due to company : £96 13s. 1d.  
 Amount of debts considered good : £96 13s. 1d.  
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any) : £68 8s. 11d.

I, Dennis Gilmore MacDonnell, of Auckland, the Manager of the Stanley 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."

D. G. MACDONNELL,  
 Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 30th day of January, 1897,  
 before me—D. B. McDonald, J.P. 527

#### STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company : Queen of Waihi Gold-mining Company (No Liability).  
 When formed, and date of registration : 9th August, 1895 ; 3rd September, 1895.  
 Whether in active operation or not : Not in active operation.  
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager : 11, New Zealand Insurance Buildings, Auckland ; Dennis Gilmore MacDonnell.  
 Nominal capital : £25,000.  
 Amount of capital subscribed : £25,000.  
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash : £2,000.  
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any) : Nil.  
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid : Nil.  
 Number of shares into which capital is divided : 100,000.  
 Number of shares allotted : 100,000.  
 Amount paid per share : 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 : 94.  
 Present number of shareholders : 260.  
 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 : £1,018 19s. 6d.  
 Total expenditure since registration : £1,640 3s. 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: £359 16s. 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):  
 £13 5s. 5d.

I, Dennis Gilmore MacDonnell, of Auckland, the Manager of the Queen 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 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."

D. G. MACDONNELL,  
 Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 30th day of January, 1897,  
 before me—D. B. McDonald, J.P. 528

### STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Germanic Gold-mining Company (No Liability).  
 When formed, and date of registration: 5th June, 1896; 16th July, 1896.  
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.  
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager:  
 11, New Zealand Insurance Buildings, Auckland; Dennis Gilmore MacDonnell.  
 Nominal capital: £6,000.  
 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: 60,000.  
 Number of shares allotted: 60,000.  
 Amount paid per share: Nil.  
 Amount called up per share: Nil.  
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: Nil.  
 Number of shares forfeited: Nil.  
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: Nil.  
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 45.  
 Present number of shareholders: 126.  
 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: £470 13s. 9d.  
 Total expenditure since registration: £470 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: £429 6s. 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): £24 9s. 7d.

I, Dennis Gilmore MacDonnell, of Auckland, the Manager of the Germanic 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."

D. G. MACDONNELL,  
 Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 30th day of January, 1897,  
 before me—D. B. McDonald, J.P. 547

### STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Golden Lead Gold-mining Company (No Liability).  
 When formed, and date of registration: 20th June, 1895; 12th July, 1895.  
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.  
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager:  
 11, New Zealand Insurance Buildings, Auckland; Dennis Gilmore MacDonnell.  
 Nominal capital: £16,800.

Amount of capital subscribed: £16,800.  
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £1,450.  
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): Nil.  
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: Nil.  
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 168,000.  
 Number of shares allotted: 168,000.  
 Amount paid per share: 1d.  
 Amount called up per share: 1d.  
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: £246 5s. 11d.  
 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: 184.  
 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: £742 13s. 1d.  
 Total expenditure since registration: £1,187 11s. 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: £16 2s. 3d.  
 Amount of cash in hand: Nil.  
 Amount of debts directly due to company: £246 5s. 11d.  
 Amount of debts considered good: £246 5s. 11d.  
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): £19 7s. 5d.

I, Dennis Gilmore MacDonnell, of Auckland, the Manager of the Golden Lead 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."

D. G. MACDONNELL,  
 Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 30th day of January, 1897,  
 before me—D. B. McDonald, J.P. 548

### STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Golden Spur Gold-mining Company (No Liability).  
 When formed, and date of registration: 26th September, 1895; 16th October, 1895.  
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.  
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager:  
 11, New Zealand Insurance Buildings, Auckland; Dennis Gilmore MacDonnell.  
 Nominal capital: £12,000.  
 Amount of capital subscribed: £9,750.  
 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): 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: 65,000.  
 Amount paid per share: Nil.  
 Amount called up per share: Nil.  
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: Nil.  
 Number of shares forfeited: Nil.  
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: Nil.  
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 66.  
 Present number of shareholders: 121.  
 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: £942 9s. 5d.  
 Total expenditure since registration: £1,416 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: £83 2s. 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, Dennis Gilmore MacDonnell, of Auckland, the Manager of the Golden Spur 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."

D. G. MACDONNELL,  
Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 30th day of January, 1897,  
before me—D. B. McDonald, J.P. 549

### STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Cuirassier Gold-mining Company (No Liability).  
When formed, and date of registration: 1st June, 1896; 18th June, 1896.  
Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.  
Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: 11, New Zealand Insurance Buildings, Auckland; Dennis Gilmore MacDonnell.  
Nominal capital: £7,000.  
Amount of capital subscribed: £6,000.  
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: 70,000.  
Number of shares allotted: 60,000.  
Amount paid per share: Nil.  
Amount called up per share: Nil.  
Number and amount of calls in arrear: Nil.  
Number of shares forfeited: Nil.  
Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: Nil.  
Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 49.  
Present number of shareholders: 111.  
Number of men employed by company: 5.  
Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preceding year: Nil.  
Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration: Nil.  
Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £433 12s. 1d.  
Total expenditure since registration: £433 12s. 1d.  
Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.  
Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.  
Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.  
Amount of cash at banker's: £66 7s. 11d.  
Amount of cash in hand: Nil.  
Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.  
Amount of debts considered good: Nil.  
Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): Nil.

I, Dennis Gilmore MacDonnell, of Auckland, the Manager of the Cuirassier 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."

D. G. MACDONNELL,  
Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 30th day of January, 1897,  
before me—D. B. McDonald, J.P. 559

### STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Aotea Gold- and Silver-mining Company (No Liability).  
When formed, and date of registration: 6th October, 1896; 28th November, 1896.  
Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.  
Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: 11, New Zealand Insurance Buildings, Auckland; Dennis Gilmore MacDonnell.  
Nominal capital: £4,000.  
Amount of capital subscribed: £4,000.  
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: 80,000.  
Number of shares allotted: 80,000.  
Amount paid per share: 6:10d.  
Amount called up per share: 6:10d.  
Number and amount of calls in arrear: Nil.

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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: 60.  
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: £73 4s. 4d.  
Total expenditure since registration: £73 4s. 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: £126 15s. 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, Dennis Gilmore MacDonnell, of Auckland, the Manager of the Aotea Gold- and Silver-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."

D. G. MACDONNELL,  
Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 30th day of January, 1897,  
before me—D. B. McDonald, J.P. 560

### STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Ajax Gold-mining Company (No Liability).  
When formed, and date of registration: 27th September, 1895; 24th October, 1895.  
Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.  
Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: 11, New Zealand Insurance Buildings, Auckland; Dennis Gilmore MacDonnell.  
Nominal capital: £13,500.  
Amount of capital subscribed: £13,500.  
Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £1,275.  
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: 90,000.  
Amount paid per share: Nil.  
Amount called up per share: Nil.  
Number and amount of calls in arrear: Nil.  
Number of shares forfeited: Nil.  
Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: Nil.  
Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 92.  
Present number of shareholders: 151.  
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: £675 6s.  
Total expenditure since registration: £697 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: £577 18s.  
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): £9 9s. 4s.

I, Dennis Gilmore MacDonnell, of Auckland, the Manager of the Ajax 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."

D. G. MACDONNELL,  
Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 30th day of January, 1897,  
before me—D. B. McDonald, J.P. 561

## STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Hercules Gold-mining Company (No Liability).  
 When formed, and date of registration: 11th September, 1895; 3rd October, 1895.  
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.  
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: 11, New Zealand Insurance Buildings, Auckland; Dennis Gilmore MacDonnell.  
 Nominal capital: £15,000.  
 Amount of capital subscribed: £8,400.  
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £1,350.  
 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: 84,000.  
 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: 44.  
 Present number of shareholders: 178.  
 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: £1,201 Os. 11d.  
 Total expenditure since registration: £1,272 8s. 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: £77 11s. 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): £50.

I, Dennis Gilmore MacDonnell, of Auckland, the Manager of the Hercules 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."

D. G. MACDONNELL,  
 Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 30th day of January, 1897, before me—D. B. McDonald, J.P. 544

## STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Original Great Barrier Gold- and Silver-mining Company (No Liability).  
 When formed, and date of registration: 29th September, 1896; 23rd November, 1896.  
 Whether in active operation or not: Not in active operation.  
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: 11, New Zealand Insurance Buildings, Auckland; Dennis Gilmore MacDonnell.  
 Nominal capital: £7,500.  
 Amount of capital subscribed: £6,000.  
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £522 13s.  
 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: 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: 38.  
 Present number of shareholders: 40.  
 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: £266 4s. 7d.

Total expenditure since registration: £266 4s. 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: £256 8s. 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, Dennis Gilmore MacDonnell, of Auckland, the Manager of the Original Great Barrier Gold- and Silver-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."  
 D. G. MACDONNELL,  
 Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 30th day of January, 1897, before me—D. B. McDonald, J.P. 545

## STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Orlando Gold-mining Company (Limited).  
 When formed, and date of registration: 25th March, 1890; 2nd April, 1890.  
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.  
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: 11, New Zealand Insurance Buildings, Auckland; Dennis Gilmore MacDonnell.  
 Nominal capital: £10,000.  
 Amount of capital subscribed: £10,000.  
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £5,920.  
 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: 2s. 9d.  
 Amount called up per share: 2s. 9d.  
 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: 34.  
 Present number of shareholders: 85.  
 Number of men employed by company: 5.  
 Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preceding year: 7oz. 18dwt.; £21 6s. 7d.  
 Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration: 822oz. 3-20dwt.; £2,070 11s. 5d.  
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £864 2s. 11d.  
 Total expenditure since registration: £7,971 0s. 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: £19 7s. 3d.  
 Amount of cash in hand: Nil.  
 Amount of debts directly due to company: 4s. 2d.  
 Amount of debts considered good: 4s. 2d.  
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): £105 11s. 1d.

I, Dennis Gilmore MacDonnell, of Auckland, the Manager of the Orlando 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."

D. G. MACDONNELL,  
 Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 30th day of January, 1897, before me—D. B. McDonald, J.P. 546

## STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Shamrock Lead Gold-mining Company (Limited).  
 When formed, and date of registration: 29th September, 1892.  
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.  
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Christchurch; David Leslie, Secretary.  
 Nominal capital: £12,000.  
 Amount of capital subscribed: £11,880.  
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £5,422 18s.  
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): £30.

Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: £5,350.  
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 12,000.  
 Number of shares allotted: 11,880.  
 Amount paid per share: 19s. on 4,230 shares, 16s. on 2,270 shares.  
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: £411 12s.  
 Number of shares forfeited: 120.  
 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: 168.  
 Number of men employed by company: 15.  
 Quantity and value of gold produced during preceding year: 275oz. 17dwt. 6gr.; £1,089 12s. 9d.  
 Total quantity and value of gold produced since registration: 1,930oz. 13dwt. 8gr.; £7,626 6s. 7d.  
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £2,856 1s. 2d.  
 Total expenditure since registration: £15,366 14s. 5d.  
 Total amount of dividends declared: 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: £2,068 19s. 11d.

I, David Leslie, of Christchurch, the Secretary of the Shamrock 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 present date; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

DAVID LESLIE,

Secretary.

Declared at Christchurch, this 9th day of February, 1897, before me—Arch. Scott, J.P. 491

#### STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Achilles Goldfields (Limited).  
 When formed, and date of registration: 15th March, 1893.  
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.  
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Bullendale, New Zealand; Frederick Evans.  
 Nominal capital: £100,000.  
 Amount of capital subscribed: £10,721 7s. 6d.  
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £10,721 7s. 6d.  
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): £80,000 for purchase of property.  
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: £80,000 for purchase of property.  
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 800,000.  
 Number of shares allotted: 725,771.  
 Amount paid per share: 2s. 6d.  
 Amount called up per share: 2s. 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: 7.  
 Present number of shareholders: No information from London.  
 Number of men employed by company: 90.  
 Quantity and value of gold produced during preceding year: 3,651oz. 14dwt. 1gr.; £14,046 11s. 4d.  
 Total quantity and value of gold produced since registration: 7,181oz. 13dwt. 7gr.; £27,588 3s. 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: 24th October, 1896, £332 2s. 9d.  
 Amount of cash in hand: £10 3s. 10d.  
 Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.  
 Amount of debts considered good: Nil.  
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): £7,306 1s. 9d.

I, Frederick Evans, of Bullendale, the Manager of the Achilles Goldfields (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."

FRED. EVANS,  
 Managing Director.

Declared at Queenstown, this 8th day of February, 1897, before me—W. Warren, J.P. 493

#### STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Otago Gold-dredging Company (Limited).  
 When formed, and date of registration: 20th May, 1895.  
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.  
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Dunedin; A. G. Fenwick, Secretary.  
 Nominal capital: £4,500.  
 Amount of capital subscribed: £4,500.  
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £2,000.  
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): Nil.  
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: £2,000.  
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 4,500.  
 Number of shares allotted: 4,000.  
 Amount paid per share: £1 on 2,000 shares.  
 Amount called up per share: £1 on 2,000 shares.  
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: Nil.  
 Number of shares forfeited: Nil.  
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: Nil.  
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 7.  
 Present number of shareholders: 39.  
 Number of men employed by company: 8.  
 Quantity and value of gold produced during preceding year: 630oz.; £2,443.  
 Total quantity and value of gold produced since registration: 808oz.; £3,126.  
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £1,769.  
 Total expenditure since registration: £3,065.  
 Total amount of dividends declared: £600.  
 Total amount of dividends paid: £600.  
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.  
 Amount of cash at banker's: £183 13s. 1d.  
 Amount of cash in hand: Nil.  
 Amount of debts directly due to company: £100.  
 Amount of debts considered good: £100.  
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): Nil.

I, A. G. Fenwick, of Dunedin, the Manager of the Otago Gold-dredging Company (Limited), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company at the 31st day of December, 1896; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

A. G. FENWICK,  
 Manager.

Declared at Dunedin, this 30th day of January, 1897, before me—Fredk. Mallard, J.P. 494

#### STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Kauri Freehold Gold Estates (Limited).  
 When formed, and date of registration: 1st June, 1896.  
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.  
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Whangapoua, Auckland; Charles Rhodes, Local Secretary; A. H. Singleton, Secretary, London.  
 Nominal capital: £250,000.  
 Amount of capital subscribed: £250,000.  
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £60,000.  
 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: £190,000.  
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 250,000.  
 Number of shares allotted: All.  
 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: 425 in London on 27th November, 1896; none in New Zealand.  
 Number of men employed by company: 115.  
 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 in New Zealand: £6,193 8s. 5d.  
 Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.  
 Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.  
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.

Amount of cash at banker's in London on 27th November: £54,029.  
 Amount of cash in New Zealand at 31st December, 1896: £1,768 6s. 4d.  
 Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.  
 Amount of debts considered good: Nil.  
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): In New Zealand, £245 8s. 2d; none in London at 27th November, 1896.

We, Seymour Thorne George and Henry Burton, of Auckland, the Attorneys of the Kauri Freehold Gold Estates (Limited), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company at the present date; and we make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

S. THORNE GEORGE,  
 H. BURTON,

Attorneys of the Kauri Freehold Gold Estates (Limited).

Declared at Auckland, this 1st day of February, 1897, before us—J. M. Lennox, J.P., H. M. Shepherd, J.P. 394

### STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Waitekauri Reefs Gold-mining Company (No Liability).  
 When formed, and date of registration: 16th September, 1896; 12th November, 1896.  
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.  
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Company's Office, No. 71, Queen Street, Auckland; C. P. Hulbert.

Nominal capital: £5,000.  
 Amount of capital subscribed: Nil.  
 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: 78,000.  
 Amount called up per share: Nil.  
 Amount paid 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: 68.  
 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 half-year: £324 0s. 8d.  
 Total expenditure since registration: £471 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: £228 19s. 4d.  
 Amount of cash in hand: £2 3s. 11d.  
 Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.  
 Amount of debts considered good: Nil.  
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): £10 10s.

I, Charles Partridge Hulbert, of Auckland, the Manager of the Waitekauri 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 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."

C. P. HULBERT,  
 Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this day of , 1897, before me—A. Goldwater, a Solicitor of the Supreme Court of New Zealand. 506

### STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Devon Gold-mining Company (No Liability).  
 When formed, and date of registration: 24th September, 1896; 19th October, 1896.  
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.  
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Company's Office, No. 71, Queen Street, Auckland; C. P. Hulbert.

Nominal capital: £4,000.  
 Amount of capital subscribed: Nil.  
 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: 72,500.  
 Amount called up per share: Nil.  
 Amount paid 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: 67.  
 Number of men employed by company: 4.  
 Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preceding year: Nil.  
 Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration: Nil.  
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding half-year: £213 12s. 1d.  
 Total expenditure since registration: £239 10s. 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: £279 2s. 2d.  
 Amount of cash in hand: £2 9s.  
 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 Partridge Hulbert, of Auckland, the Manager of the Devon 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."

C. P. HULBERT,  
 Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this day of , 1897, before me—John H. Gregory, a Solicitor of the Supreme Court of New Zealand. 507

### STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Alert Gold-mining Company (No Liability).  
 When formed, and date of registration: 19th November, 1895; 12th December, 1895.  
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.  
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: 2, Hobson's Buildings, Shortland Street, Auckland; C. A. Stubbs.  
 Nominal capital: £7,000.  
 Amount of capital subscribed: £6,325.  
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £782 11s. 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: £1,000.  
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 70,000.  
 Number of shares allotted: 63,250.  
 Amount paid per share: 8d.  
 Amount called up per share: 2d.  
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: Nil.  
 Number of shares forfeited: 32,200.  
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: 32,200; £34 15s. 2d.  
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 60.  
 Present number of shareholders: 144.  
 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: £535 7s. 7d.  
 Total expenditure since registration: £661 5s.  
 Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.  
 Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.  
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.  
 Amount of cash at banker's: £156 1s. 3d.  
 Amount of cash in hand: Nil.  
 Amount of debts directly due to company: £99 8s. 2d.  
 Amount of debts considered good: Nil.  
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): £21 10s. 6d.

I, Charles Arthur Stubbs, of Auckland, the Manager of the Alert 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."

C. A. STUBBS,  
Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 26th day of January, 1897, before me—Samuel Jackson, a Solicitor of the Supreme Court of New Zealand. 508

#### STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Bunker's Hill Gold-mining Company (Limited).  
When formed, and date of registration: 21st June, 1896.  
Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.  
Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: 2, Hobson's Buildings, Shortland Street, Auckland; C. A. Stubbs.  
Nominal capital: £15,000.  
Amount of capital subscribed: £15,000.  
Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £4,500.  
Amount of cash credited to company by promoters: £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: £6,000.  
Number of shares into which capital is divided: 60,000.  
Number of shares allotted: 60,000.  
Amount paid per share: 3s. 6d.  
Amount called up per share: 1s. 6d.  
Number and amount of calls in arrear: £62 7s.  
Number of shares forfeited: Nil.  
Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: Nil.  
Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 11.  
Present number of shareholders: 354.  
Number of men employed by company: 22.  
Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preceding year: Nil.  
Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration: 82oz. 11dwt.; £247 6s. 9d.  
Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £4,540 18s. 8d.  
Total expenditure since registration: £6,252 12s. 1d.  
Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.  
Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.  
Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.  
Amount of cash at banker's: Nil.  
Amount of cash in hand: Nil.  
Amount of debts directly due to company: £62 7s.  
Amount of debts considered good: £62 7s.  
Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): £711 2s. 3d.

I, Charles Arthur Stubbs, of Auckland, the Manager of the Bunker's Hill 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."

C. A. STUBBS,  
Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 26th day of January, 1897, before me—Samuel Jackson, a Solicitor of the Supreme Court of New Zealand. 509

#### STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Crown Royal Gold-mining Company (No Liability).  
When formed, and date of registration: 1st July, 1896; 17th July, 1896.  
Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.  
Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: 2, Hobson's Buildings, Shortland Street, Auckland; C. A. Stubbs.  
Nominal capital: £3,000.  
Amount of capital subscribed: £2,750.  
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: £300.  
Number of shares into which capital is divided: 60,000.  
Number of shares allotted: 55,000.  
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: 50.  
Present number of shareholders: 54.  
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: £199 16s. 6d.  
Total expenditure since registration: £199 16s. 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: £50 3s. 6d.  
Amount of cash in hand: Nil.  
Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.  
Amount of debts considered good: Nil.  
Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): £18 6s. 6d.

I, Charles Arthur Stubbs, of Auckland, the Manager of the Crown Royal 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."

C. A. STUBBS,  
Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 26th day of January, 1897, before me—C. J. Tunks, a Solicitor of the Supreme Court of New Zealand. 510

#### STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Gem of the Tiki Gold-mining Company (No Liability).  
When formed, and date of registration: 16th July, 1896; 7th August, 1896.  
Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.  
Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: 2, Hobson's Buildings, Shortland Street, Auckland; C. A. Stubbs.  
Nominal capital: £3,000.  
Amount of capital subscribed: £2,250.  
Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £285.  
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: 60,000.  
Number of shares allotted: 45,000.  
Amount paid per share: 4½d.  
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: 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: £205 7s. 6d.  
Total expenditure since registration: £205 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: £79 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): £15 0s. 5d.

I, Charles Arthur Stubbs, of Auckland, the Manager of the Gem of the Tiki 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."

C. A. STUBBS,  
Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 26th day of January, 1897, before me—C. J. Tunks, a Solicitor of the Supreme Court of New Zealand. 511

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

Name of company: New Mint Gold-mining Company (No Liability).  
 When formed, and date of registration: 10th August, 1896; 3rd September, 1896.  
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.  
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: 2, Hobson's Buildings, Shortland Street, Auckland; C. A. Stubbs.  
 Nominal capital: £7,000.  
 Amount of capital subscribed: £6,000.  
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £655 12s. 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: £900.  
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 70,000.  
 Number of shares allotted: 60,000.  
 Amount paid per share: 7½d.  
 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: 66.  
 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: £168 15s. 8d.  
 Total expenditure since registration: £168 15s. 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: £486 16s. 10d.  
 Amount of cash in hand: Nil.  
 Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.  
 Amount of debts considered good: Nil.  
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): £5 10s.

I, Charles Arthur Stubbs, of Auckland, the Manager of the New Mint 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."

C. A. STUBBS,  
 Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 26th day of January, 1897, before me—C. J. Tunks, a Solicitor of the Supreme Court of New Zealand. 512

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

Name of company: Ake Ake Gold-mining Company (No Liability).  
 When formed, and date of registration: 13th July, 1896; 6th October, 1896.  
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.  
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: 87, Queen Street, Auckland; Robert Burns.  
 Nominal capital: £8,500.  
 Amount of capital subscribed: £7,500.  
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £775, for sale of promoters' shares.  
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): Nil.  
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: Nil.  
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 85,000.  
 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: 52.  
 Present number of shareholders: 63.  
 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: £216 0s. 4d.  
 Total expenditure since registration: £216 0s. 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: £558 19s. 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): £23 8s. 6d.

I, Robert Burns, of Auckland, the Manager of the Ake Ake 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."

ROBERT BURNS,  
 Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 30th day of January, 1897, before me—H. M. Shepherd, J.P. 522

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

Name of company: Ptolemy Gold-mining Company (No Liability).  
 When formed, and date of registration: 20th July, 1896; 2nd September, 1896.  
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.  
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: 87, Queen Street, Auckland; Robert Burns.  
 Nominal capital: £8,000.  
 Amount of capital subscribed: £8,000.  
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £797 10s., for sale of promoters' shares.  
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): Nil.  
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: Nil.  
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 80,000.  
 Number of shares allotted: 80,000.  
 Amount paid 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: 45.  
 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: £531 15s. 5d.  
 Total expenditure since registration: £581 15s. 5d.  
 Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.  
 Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.  
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.  
 Amount of cash at banker's: £265 14s. 7d.  
 Amount of cash in hand: Nil.  
 Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.  
 Amount of debts considered good: Nil.  
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): £3 11s. 9d.

I, Robert Burns, of Auckland, the Manager of the Ptolemy 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."

ROBERT BURNS,  
 Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 30th day of January, 1897, before me—H. M. Shepherd, J.P. 524

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

Name of company: Waihi Extended Gold-mining Company (Limited).  
 When formed, and date of registration: 29th May, 1895; 12th August, 1895.  
 Whether in active operation or not: Not in active operation,

Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager :  
11, New Zealand Insurance Buildings, Auckland; John  
William Nichol.

Nominal capital : £150,000.  
Amount of capital subscribed : £149,967.  
Amount of capital actually paid up in cash : £1,994 8s. 6d.  
Amount of capital from other sources : £375.  
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 : 149,402.  
Amount paid per share : 1s. on 40,000 shares.  
Amount called up per share : Nil.  
Number and amount of calls in arrear : Nil.  
Number of shares forfeited : Nil.  
Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for  
same : Nil.  
Number of shareholders at time of registration of company :  
72.  
Present number of shareholders : 385.  
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 : £1,584 3s. 1d.  
Total expenditure since registration : £2,304 14s.  
Total amount of dividends declared : Nil.  
Total amount of dividends paid : Nil.  
Total amount of unclaimed dividends : Nil.  
Amount of cash at banker's : £66 15s. 6d.  
Amount of cash in hand : Nil.  
Amount of debts directly due to company : £5 11s. 6d.  
Amount of debts considered good : £5 11s. 6d.  
Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any) : £287  
18s. 5d.

I, John William Nichol, of Auckland, the Manager of  
the Waihi Extended Gold-mining Company (Limited),  
do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true  
and complete statement of the affairs of the said com-  
pany 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. W. NICHOL,  
Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 30th day of January, 1897,  
before me—D. B. McDonald, J.P. 525

#### STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company : Phoenix Gold-mining Company (No  
Liability).  
When formed, and date of registration : 26th June, 1895 ;  
18th September, 1895.  
Whether in active operation or not : In active operation.  
Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager :  
119, Victoria Arcade, Auckland; Joseph James Macky.  
Nominal capital : £12,000.  
Amount of capital subscribed : £10,200.  
Amount of capital actually paid up in cash : £1,089 9s. 11d.  
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 : 68,000.  
Amount paid per share : Nearly 8d.  
Amount called up per share : 8d.  
Number and amount of calls in arrear : £178 12s. 3d.  
Number of shares forfeited : 3,228.  
Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for  
same : £6 17s. 8d.  
Number of shareholders at time of registration of company :  
56.  
Present number of shareholders : 164.  
Number of men employed by company : 5.  
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 : £703 12s. 6d.  
Total expenditure since registration : £1,047 18s. 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 : £41 11s. 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, Joseph James Macky, of Auckland, the Manager of the  
Phoenix 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."

J. J. MACKY,  
Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 23rd day of January, 1897,  
before me—W. F. Inder, a Solicitor of the Supreme Court of  
New Zealand. 503

#### STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company : Queen of Puru Gold-mining Company  
(No Liability).  
When formed, and date of registration : 18th June, 1896 ;  
14th August, 1896.  
Whether in active operation or not : In active operation.  
Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager :  
119, Victoria Arcade, Auckland; Joseph James Macky.  
Nominal capital : £4,000.  
Amount of capital subscribed : £4,000.  
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) : £3,600 ; £250.  
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 : 72,000.  
Amount paid per share : 1s.  
Amount called up per share : Nil.  
Number and amount of calls in arrear : Nil.  
Number of shares forfeited : Nil.  
Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for  
same : Nil.  
Number of shareholders at time of registration of company :  
39.  
Present number of shareholders : 40.  
Number of men employed by company : 2.  
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 : £229 13s. 7d.  
Total expenditure since registration : £229 13s. 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 : £14 16s.  
Amount of cash in hand : Nil.  
Amount of debts directly due to company : Nil.  
Amount of debts considered good : Nil.  
Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any) : Nil.

I, Joseph James Macky, of Auckland, the Manager of the  
Queen of Puru Gold-mining Company (No Liability), do  
solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and com-  
plete 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. J. MACKY,  
Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 23rd day of January, 1897,  
before me—W. F. Inder, a Solicitor of the Supreme Court of  
New Zealand. 504

#### STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company : Victoria Gold-mining Company (No  
Liability).  
When formed, and date of registration : 28th August, 1890 ;  
2nd September, 1890.  
Whether in active operation or not : In active operation.  
Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager :  
119, Victoria Arcade, Auckland; Joseph James Macky.  
Nominal capital : £24,000.  
Amount of capital subscribed : £23,436 12s.  
Amount of capital actually paid up in cash : £11,944 3s. 7d.  
Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount  
of cash received for same (if any) : £15,314 5s. 9d. ;  
£11,944 3s. 7d.

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: 117,183.  
 Amount paid per share: 2s. 5d.  
 Amount called up per share: 2s. 5d.  
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: Nil.  
 Number of shares forfeited: Nil.  
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: Nil.  
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 153.  
 Present number of shareholders: 319.  
 Number of men employed by company: 48.  
 Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preceding year: £6,376 11s. 11d.  
 Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration: £8,553 10s. 7d.  
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £6,350 12s. 8d.  
 Total expenditure since registration: £17,698 7s. 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: £208 15s. 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, Joseph James Macky, of Auckland, the Manager of the Victoria 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. J. MACKY,  
 Manager.

Declared at Auckland, this 23rd day of January, 1897, before me—W. F. Inder, a Solicitor of the Supreme Court of New Zealand. 505

I, THE undersigned, hereby make application to register the Opal Proprietary 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 Opal Proprietary Mining Company (No Liability).
2. The place of operations (or intended operations) is at Tairua.
3. The registered office of the company will be situated at 113, Victoria Arcade, Auckland.
4. The value of the company's property, including claim or lease ground and machinery, is five hundred pounds.
5. The number of shares in the company is seventy thousand, of one shilling each.
6. The number of shares subscribed for is forty-five thousand.
7. The name of the Manager is Albert Say Board.
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.
Marsh, George, Tairua, Settler .. .. .	10,000
Slaney, Walter, Auckland, Jeweller .. .. .	5,000
Seecombe, Thomas, Oreti Point, Farmer .. .. .	3,834
Smith, Walter, Auckland, Baker .. .. .	3,333
De Castro, C. S., Thames, Surveyor .. .. .	3,333
Nutsey, Joseph, Auckland, Agent .. .. .	2,500
McFarlane, William, Auckland, Agent .. .. .	2,500
Board, Jane, Auckland, Domestic Duties .. .. .	3,000
Colbeck, John C., Auckland, Agent .. .. .	1,666
Clarkson, D. H., Auckland, Miner .. .. .	1,666
Matthews, Newton, Auckland, Clerk .. .. .	1,666
Morrison, William, Thames, Hotelkeeper .. .. .	416
Amodeo, —, Auckland, Gentleman .. .. .	416
McCabe, William, Auckland, Clerk .. .. .	200
Board, Albert S., Auckland, Agent .. .. .	3,370
Brown, C. A., Auckland, Warehouseman .. .. .	100
Isaacs, Alfred, Dunedin, Warehouseman .. .. .	1,000
Nutsey, Joseph, Auckland, Agent (in trust) .. .. .	1,000
Board, Albert S., Auckland, Agent (in trust for company) .. .. .	5,000
Board, A. S., Auckland, Agent (in trust for company) .. .. .	20,000
<b>Total .. .. .</b>	<b>70,000</b>

Dated this 9th day of February, 1897.

ALBERT S. BOARD,  
 Manager.

Witness to signature—W. B. Colbeck, Solicitor, Auckland.

I, Albert Say Board, 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."

ALBERT S. BOARD.

Taken before me, this 9th day of February, 1897—W. B. Colbeck, Solicitor, Auckland. 520

I, THE undersigned, hereby make application to register the Dover Castle 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 Dover Castle Gold-mining Company (No Liability).
2. The place of operations (or intended operations) is at Puriri, Thames.
3. The registered office of the company will be situated at 103, Queen Street, Auckland.
4. The value of the company's property, including claim or lease ground and machinery, is one thousand pounds.
5. The number of shares in the company is eighty thousand, of one shilling each.
6. The number of shares subscribed for is seventy thousand.
7. The name of the Manager is Sydney Thornburgh Twentyman.
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.
Graham, Mrs. G., Thames, Domestic Duties .. .. .	3,928
Taylor, W., Thames, Butcher .. .. .	3,928
Townsend, Mrs. J., Thames, Widow .. .. .	7,858
Smith, Mrs. A., Devonport, Domestic Duties .. .. .	502
Nevill, W. J., Thames, Mining Expert .. .. .	1,000
Hastings, R. J., Puriri, Mine-manager .. .. .	3,928
Milnes, E. J., Thames, Tailor .. .. .	3,928
O'Sullivan, D., Thames, Mine-manager .. .. .	1,000
Styak, W. J., Thames, Sharebroker .. .. .	3,928
McOwen, Robt., Ashburton, Bank-manager .. .. .	1,000
Wroughton, C. F. M., Ashburton .. .. .	1,000
Collier, W. H., Ashburton, Settler .. .. .	1,000
Bryant, W., Ashburton, Settler .. .. .	1,000
Preston, W. D. V., Ashburton, Gentleman .. .. .	1,000
Maher, James J., Ashburton, Settler .. .. .	500
Dyhrberg, L. N., and Crum, Alfred, Ashburton, Settlers .. .. .	500
Cowlishaw, F. J., Ashburton, Solicitor .. .. .	1,000
Furze, Jno. M., Dunsandel, Farmer .. .. .	1,000
Chapman, Robert, Springbank, Cust, Runholder .. .. .	1,000
Garforth, Samuel, Spreydon, Farmer .. .. .	1,000
Stringer, T. W., Christchurch, Solicitor .. .. .	500
Bishop, R. C., Christchurch, Manager .. .. .	500
Cochrane, Jno., Ashburton, Farmer .. .. .	1,000
Dudley, C. T., Christchurch, Sharebroker .. .. .	1,500
Twentyman, S. T., Auckland, Legal Manager .. .. .	1,150
Scott, Jno., Auckland, Sharebroker .. .. .	4,000
Woodward, Harry, Auckland, Reporter .. .. .	250
Twentyman, S. T., Auckland, Legal Manager (in trust) .. .. .	2,000
Malcolm, F. S., Auckland, Importer .. .. .	1,000
Fairs, J. B., Auckland, Accountant .. .. .	1,000
Atkinson, A., Auckland, Gentleman .. .. .	500
Scott, Robt., Auckland, Hotelkeeper .. .. .	1,000
Jerram, J. T., Auckland, Sharebroker .. .. .	250
Baxter, Fred., Auckland, Reporter .. .. .	250
Smith, M., Auckland, Clerk .. .. .	250
Noakes, H. L., Auckland, Sharebroker .. .. .	250
Hastings, R. J., Thames, Mine-manager (in trust) .. .. .	2,500
Porter, J. H., Auckland, Legal Manager .. .. .	1,100
Haultain, A. R. T., Auckland, Sharebroker (in trust) .. .. .	1,500
Davies, W. T., Auckland, Manager .. .. .	500
Scott, Jno., Auckland, Sharebroker (in trust) .. .. .	500
Hill, N. K., Auckland, Clerk (in trust) .. .. .	5,000
Twentyman, S. T., Auckland, Legal Manager, No. 2 Account (in trust) .. .. .	3,500
Twentyman, S. T. (in trust for Dover Castle Gold-mining Company, No Liability), reserve shares .. .. .	10,000
<b>Total .. .. .</b>	<b>80,000</b>

Dated this 10th day of February, 1897.

S. T. TWENTYMAN,  
 Manager.

Witness to signature—Norman K. Hill.

I, Sydney T. Twentyman, 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. T. TWENTYMAN.

Taken before me, &c.—W. F. Inder, a Solicitor, &c. 514

I, THE undersigned, hereby make application to register the Mount Lyell 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 Mount Lyell Gold-mining Company (No Liability).
2. The place of operations (or intended operations) is at Waihi, Hauraki Mining District.
3. The registered office of the company will be situated at Victoria Arcade, Queen Street, Auckland.
4. The value of the company's property, including claim or lease ground and machinery, is two thousand pounds.
5. The number of shares in the company is fifty-seven thousand, of two shillings each.
6. The number of shares subscribed for is thirty-eight thousand.
7. The name of the Manager is Moritz Samuel Leers.
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.
McLeod, Andrew, Onehunga, Prospector ..	937
Bishop, Joseph, Auckland, Agent ..	3,000
Court, James, Remuera, Settler ..	2,000
Cunningham, Andrew, Onehunga, Mariner ..	2,000
Downer, William, Helensville, Timber Merchant ..	2,000
Ussher, Thomas, Auckland, Agent ..	500
Leers, Moritz Samuel, Auckland, Accountant ..	5,000
Lyell, William Scott, Auckland, Stationer ..	1,500
Lyell, James Arbothnot, Auckland, Stationer ..	8,500
Joyner, William, Auckland, Sharebroker ..	1,167
Kitchen, George, Parnell, Engineer ..	250
Fitzgerald, Thomas Edward, Parnell, Gentleman ..	1,000
Howard, John, Auckland, Watchmaker ..	1,000
Collins, Richard, Auckland, Coach-painter ..	250
Rutherford, James Gillies, Bombay, Farmer ..	500
Howard, Annie, Mount Eden, Domestic Duties ..	250
Bacon, Marian, Auckland, Sharebroker ..	250
Ulrich, Charles Adalbert, Auckland, Agent ..	1,333
Rathbone, William, Waipawa, Merchant ..	800
Arrow, Henry Thomas, Waipawa, Accountant ..	200
Spear, Fred., Nelson, Agent ..	500
McLeod, Elizabeth Mariah, Domestic Duties ..	63
Southerby, Samuel, Auckland, Dealer ..	1,000
McLeod, Elizabeth, Onehunga, Domestic Duties ..	3,000
Colbeck, John C., Auckland, Agent ..	1,000
Leers, Moritz Samuel (in trust for the company) ..	19,000
<b>Total ..</b>	<b>57,000</b>

Dated this 5th day of February, 1897.

M. S. LEERS,  
 Manager.

Witness to signature—Jno. Couchman, Accountant, Auckland.

I, Moritz Samuel Leers, 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."

M. S. LEERS.

Taken before me, at Auckland aforesaid, this 5th day of February, 1897—H. Y. Collins, a Solicitor of the Supreme Court of New Zealand. 492

The Registrar, Supreme Court, Auckland.

DEAR SIR,—We hereby beg to inform you that the Registered Office of the Great Maratoto Gold-mining Company (No Liability) is situated at Legal Chambers, Queen Street, Auckland.

Yours truly,  
 CHAS. C. PURCHAS, } Directors.  
 ARTHUR LITTLER, }  
 WM. CLARKE, Legal Manager.

I, THE undersigned, hereby make application to register the Salisbury 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 Salisbury Gold-mining Company (No Liability).
2. The place of operations (or intended operations) is at Mata Creek.
3. The registered office of the company will be situated at 103, Queen Street, Auckland.
4. The value of the company's property, including claim or lease ground and machinery, is two hundred and fifty pounds.
5. The number of shares in the company is one hundred thousand, of one shilling each.
6. The number of shares subscribed for is one hundred thousand.
7. The name of the Manager is John Henry Porter.
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.
Watson, D. N., Eden Terrace, Gentleman ..	10,000
Murray, B. M., Eden Terrace, Gentleman ..	10,000
Garrett, E. M., Eden Terrace, Domestic Duties ..	10,000
Cozens, George, High Street, Auckland, Agent ..	10,000
Sargeant, Annie, Victoria Street, Auckland, Domestic Duties ..	6,000
Garrett, M. L., Eden Terrace, Auckland, Domestic Duties ..	5,000
Buttle, G. A., Auckland, Broker (in trust) ..	5,000
Walker, Alfred, Queen Street, Auckland, Sharebroker ..	5,000
Hall, G. A., Vincent Street, Auckland, Clerk ..	5,000
Garrett, G. H., Auckland, Settler ..	4,000
Geddis, W. J., Auckland, Journalist ..	4,000
McNeil, W. F., Coromandel, Miner ..	3,333
McNeil, John, Port Charles, Miner ..	4,000
Taylor, James, Coromandel, Miner ..	1,667
Allen, William, Stanley Street, Arch Hill, Dairyman ..	2,000
Fitzgerald, Thomas Edward, Auckland, Gentleman ..	2,000
Fleming, Ada Helen, Wanstead, Napier, Spinster ..	2,000
Clark, F. A., Auckland, Sharebroker ..	2,000
Basley, G. W., Auckland, Solicitor ..	2,000
McNeil, Alexander, Coromandel, Mine-manager ..	1,400
Sargeant, Henry, Auckland, Restaurateur ..	1,250
Sargeant, Henry Victor, Auckland, Settler ..	1,250
Garrett, John Henry, Eden Terrace, Butcher ..	1,000
Twentyman, S. T., Auckland, Manager ..	1,000
Witty, Arthur Frederick, Coromandel, Miner ..	500
Sargeant, Alfred William, Waihi, Manager ..	250
Houghton, Frederick H., Auckland, Agent ..	250
Kernot, Helen, Domestic Duties ..	100
<b>Total ..</b>	<b>100,000</b>

Dated this 12th day of February, 1897.

J. H. PORTER,  
 Manager.

Witness to signature—George A. Hall, Clerk, Auckland.

I, John Henry Porter, 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."

J. H. PORTER.

Taken before me, this 12th day of February, 1897—Joseph Thorne, J.P. 513

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.

## SCEPTRE GOLD-MINING COMPANY (NO LIABILITY).

NOTICE is hereby given that the Registered Office of the above company is at Mining Chambers, 103, Queen Street, Auckland.

G. C. W. MORRIS, Manager.  
GRAVES AICKIN,  
JOSEPH THORNES, } Directors.

Auckland, 3rd February, 1897. 515

## GOLDEN CENTRE GOLD-MINING COMPANY (NO LIABILITY).

NOTICE is hereby given that the Registered Office of the above company is at Mining Chambers, 103, Queen Street, Auckland.

G. C. W. MORRIS, Manager.  
M. W. ARMSTRONG,  
HENRY C. BELL, } Directors.

Auckland, 3rd February, 1897. 516

In the matter of "The Mining Companies Act, 1894," and amendments thereof, and the Mount Taylor Gold-mining Company (Limited).

NOTICE is hereby given, pursuant to the provisions of "The Mining Companies Act, 1894," that the Office or place of business of the Mount Taylor Gold-mining Company (Limited) is in the Bank of New Zealand Buildings, Queen Street, in the City of Auckland.

E. B. DUFAUR,  
E. C. BEALE, } Directors.

The common seal of the Mount Taylor Gold-mining Company (Limited) was affixed hereto, by order of the directors, in the presence of—A. M. Beale, Legal Manager.

Auckland, 11th February, 1897. 518

In the matter of "The Mining Act, 1891," and of "The Foreign Companies Act, 1884," and of the Woodstock Main Reef (Limited).

NOTICE is hereby given that the Office or place of business of the above-named company in New Zealand where legal proceedings of any kind may be served upon it, and to which notices of any kind may be addressed or given, is 135, Queen Street, in the City of Auckland.

Dated at Auckland, this 9th day of February, 1897.

HERBERT W. FLINT,  
Attorney for the Company.

WYNWARD AND PURCHAS, Solicitors for the Company,  
Bank of New Zealand Chambers,  
Queen Street, Auckland. 517

In the matter of "The Mining Companies Act, 1894," and amendments thereof, and the Grosvenor United Gold-mining Company (Limited).

NOTICE is hereby given, pursuant to the provisions of "The Mining Companies Act, 1894," that the Office or place of business of the Grosvenor United Gold-mining Company (Limited) is in the Bank of New Zealand Buildings, Queen Street, in the City of Auckland.

F. J. HAMMOND,  
JNO. DAWSON, } Directors.

The common seal of the Grosvenor United Gold-mining Company (Limited) was affixed hereto by order of the directors in the presence of—A. M. Beale, Legal Manager.

Auckland, 8th February, 1897. 562

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

## 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

## Land Transfer Act Notices.

NOTICE is hereby given that the several parcels of land hereinafter described will be brought under the provisions of "The Land Transfer Act, 1885," unless caveat be lodged forbidding the same within one month from the date of the Gazette containing this notice.

3259. ROSE NANCY BUSHBY.—Parts of Allotments 14, 37, 38, and 39 of the Parish of Whaingaroa, containing 544 acres 2 roods. In Applicant's occupation.

3291. THE BANK OF NEW ZEALAND.—Allotment 83, Parish of Kirikiriroa, containing 55 acres 2 roods. Unoccupied.

3331. THAMES HAURAKI GOLDFIELDS (LIMITED).—Lots 26, 27, and 28 of the subdivision of the Waitangirua Block, locally known as "Block 27," situated in the Township of Shortland, Thames, containing 1 rood 18 perches. In Applicants' occupation.

Diagrams may be inspected at this office.

Dated this 13th day of February, 1897, at the Lands Registry Office, Auckland.

EDWIN BAMFORD,  
568 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 18th day of March, 1897.

2646. ALFRED MATTHEWS.—21·8 perches, part Section 236, City of Wellington. Unoccupied.

2651. JOHN BRONTE.—6·7 perches, part Section 231, City of Wellington. Occupied by Applicant.

2652. FRANCIS HENRY DILLON BELL.—13·8 perches, part Section 231, City of Wellington. Occupied by Applicant.

Diagrams may be inspected at this office.

Dated this 17th day of February, 1897, at the Lands Registry Office, Wellington.

J. M. BATHAM,  
565 District Land Registrar.

APPLICATION having been made to me to register a re-entry under Lease 2248 affecting part Section 332 on deposited Plan 152, Township of Ashurst, being part of the land in certificate of title, Vol. xlix., folio 30, and evidence having been lodged of the loss of Lease 2248, I hereby give notice that I will dispense with the production of the said Lease 2248, and register the re-entry as requested, unless caveat be lodged forbidding the same on or before the 18th day of March, 1897.

Dated this 17th day of February, 1897, at the Lands Registry Office, Wellington.

J. M. BATHAM,  
566 District Land Registrar.

APPLICATION having been made to me to register certain dealings affecting Lease 1408, being a lease of Suburban Section 13, Town of Levin, and being part of the land comprised in certificate of title, Vol. 29A, folio 82, and evidence having been lodged of the loss of Lease 1408, I hereby give notice that I will dispense with the production of the said Lease 1408, and register the dealings as requested, unless caveat be lodged forbidding the same on or before the 4th day of March, 1897.

Dated this 17th day of February, 1897, at the Lands Registry Office, Wellington.

J. M. BATHAM,  
567 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 date of Gazette containing this notice.

7947. DAVID HASTINGS BROWN.—1 acre and 4 perches, part of Rural Section 72, Borough of Sydenham. Occupied by Applicant.

8007. JAMES BICKERTON FISHER.— $\frac{1}{100}$  of a perch, part of Section 911, City of Christchurch. Occupied by Applicant.

8008. THE NEW ZEALAND FARMERS' CO-OPERATIVE ASSOCIATION OF CANTERBURY (LIMITED).—32 perches, parts of Sections 919 and 921, City of Christchurch. Occupied by Applicant.

8009. JOHN ROBERT PAWSEY.—62 acres, Rural Sections 2929 and 3138, Grey and Rangiora Survey Districts. Occupied by Applicant.

8011. EDMOND DOLIER FOOT.—28 perches, part of Lots 116, 117, and 118 of Rural Section 72, Borough of Sydenham. Occupied by William Henry Redway.

Diagrams may be inspected at this office.

Dated this 15th day of February, 1897, at the Lands Registry Office, Christchurch.

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G. G. BRIDGES,  
District Land Registrar.

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

THOMAS KING (by his Attorney, EDMOND GEORGE STAVELEY).—1 rood, being Section 15, Block XV., Town of Invercargill. Unoccupied.

Diagrams may be inspected at this office.

Dated this 9th day of February, 1897, at the Lands Registry Office, Invercargill.

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F. G. MORGAN,  
District Land Registrar.

### Private Advertisements.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Partnership heretofore existing between us under the name or style of "Inglis Brothers," as Cycle Importers and Manufacturers, was dissolved as from the 31st January, 1897.

Dated this 11th February, 1897.

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HUGH INGLIS.  
THOS. INGLIS.

I, WILLIAM ANDERSON, of Christchurch, Bachelor of Medicine and Master in Surgery of the University of Edinburgh, 1896, and registered on Imperial Register, hereby give notice that I have, this 12th day of February, 1897, deposited evidences of my qualifications with the Registrar of the Christchurch District; and that I shall apply to be registered under the New Zealand Medical Act on the 12th day of March, 1897.

W. ANDERSON.

Christchurch, 12th February, 1897.

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I, WILLIAM STEPHEN BAIRD, M.B., C.M., Glasgow, now residing in Otautau, hereby give notice that I intend applying on the 26th February next to have my name placed on the Medical Register for the Colony of New Zealand; and that I have deposited the evidence of my qualification in the office of the Registrar of Births and Deaths at Invercargill.

W. S. BAIRD.

Dated at Invercargill, twenty-third January, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven.

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In the matter of "The Companies Act, 1882," and the amendments thereof; and of the Ceylon and Indian Tea Association (Limited).

At an extraordinary general meeting of the above-named company, duly convened, and held at the office of Mr. S. Solomon, Solicitor, Princes Street, Dunedin, on the 23rd day of January, 1897, the following extraordinary resolutions were passed:—

1. "That it has been proved to the satisfaction of the company that the company cannot by reason of its liabilities continue its business, and that it is advisable to wind up the same."

2. "That Mr. Edward Withers be appointed Liquidator for the purpose of winding up the affairs of the company and distributing the property."

Dated this 12th day of February, 1897.

KENNETH S. BEGG,  
Chairman.

Witness to the signature of the above Kenneth S. Begg—  
S. Solomon, Solicitor, Dunedin.

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