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Land set apart for Settlement.

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

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

Now, therefore, in pursuance and exercise of every power and authority enabling me in this behalf, and for the purposes of the said Act, I, James Prendergast, the Administrator of the Government of the Colony of New Zealand, do hereby proclaim the block of land described in the Schedule hereto as set apart for settlement.

SCHEDULE.
HUNDALEE BLOCK.

ALL that area in the Marlborough Land District, containing by admeasurement 37,300 acres, more or less, situated in Hundalee Survey District. Bounded towards the north by the Kahautara River; towards the east generally by a public road, and Sections Nos. 39, 38, the ocean, Native Reserves I, J, K, L, M, N, and land acquired by Mr. William Smith in exchange for certain freeholds given up; towards the south by the Conway River; and towards the west by the fence forming the boundary of the Fernihurst Run, by Run No. 131, and Sections Nos. 59, 70, 69, 68, 67, and 66: as the same is delineated on plan marked S.G. 35623, deposited in the Head Office of the Department of Lands and Survey, at Wellington, in the Wellington Land District, and thereon coloured red.

Given under the hand of His Excellency Sir James Prendergast, Knight, Chief Justice, Administrator of the Government in and over Her Majesty's Colony of New Zealand and its Dependencies, at the Government House, at Wellington; and issued under the seal of the said Colony, this twenty-fifth day of March, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven.

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Minister of Lands.

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Now, therefore, in pursuance and exercise of every power and authority enabling me in this behalf, and for the purposes of the said Act, I, James Prendergast, the Administrator of the Government of the Colony of New Zealand, do hereby proclaim the block of land described in the Schedule hereto as set apart for settlement.

SCHEDULE.
KAIPARORO No. 2.

Area.	Section.	Block.	Survey District.
A. R. P. 400 0 0	11	IX.	Tararua.

Given under the hand of His Excellency Sir James Prendergast, Knight, Chief Justice, Administrator of the Government in and over Her Majesty's Colony of New Zealand and its Dependencies, at the Government House, at Wellington; and issued under the Seal of the said Colony, this twenty-fifth day of March, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven.

JOHN MCKENZIE,
Minister of Lands.

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN!

Taking Land for a Road-deviation, Weber Survey District.

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

IN pursuance and in exercise of the powers conferred by section thirteen of "The Land Act, 1892," I, James Prendergast, the Administrator of the Government of the

Colony of New Zealand, with the consent of the tenant of the land hereinafter mentioned, and with the consent of the Weber Road Board, being the local authority in whose district the said land is situated, do by this notice hereby proclaim as a road the land, being a portion of Section 6, Block VI., Weber Survey District, mentioned in the Schedule hereto.

SCHEDULE.

The parcel of land mentioned hereunder :—

Approximate Area of the Parcel of Land taken.	Being Part of Section No.	Situated in Block No.	Situated in the Survey District of	Shown on Plan marked	Coloured on Plan
A. R. P. 5 2 30	6	VI.	Weber ..	S.G. 35552	Red.

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

Given under the hand of His Excellency Sir James Prendergast, Knight, Chief Justice, Administrator of the Government in and over Her Majesty's Colony of New Zealand and its Dependencies, at the Government House, at Wellington; and issued under the Seal of the said Colony, this twenty-fifth day of March, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven.

JOHN McKENZIE,
Minister of Lands.

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN!

Proclaiming the Taking of a Road through Private Lands in Kiwitea County.

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

A PROCLAMATION.

IN pursuance and in exercise of the powers conferred by section thirteen of "The Land Act, 1892," I, James Prendergast, the Administrator of the Government of the Colony of New Zealand, with the consent of the owner of the lands hereinafter mentioned, and with the consent of the Kiwitea County Council, being the local authority in whose district the said lands are situated, do by this notice hereby proclaim as a road the lands in the Ongo Survey District, Kiwitea County, mentioned in the Schedule hereto.

SCHEDULE.

The several parcels of land mentioned in list hereunder :—

Approximate Area of the Land to be taken.	Being Part of Section	Block.	Survey District.	Shown on Plan marked	Coloured on Plan
A. R. P. 1 2 5	59	XI.	Ongo ..	96 12 ^k	Red, A to B.
27 0 0	59	"	" ..	" ..	" C to D.

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

Given under the hand of His Excellency Sir James Prendergast, Knight, Chief Justice, Administrator of the Government in and over Her Majesty's Colony of New Zealand and its Dependencies, at the Government House, at Wellington; and issued under the Seal of the said Colony, this twenty-fifth day of March, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven.

JOHN McKENZIE,
Minister of Lands.

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN

Lands taken for Roads through Wai-iti Survey District.

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

A PROCLAMATION.

WHEREAS the lands mentioned in the Schedule hereto are required to be taken, under "The Public Works Act, 1894," for a certain work, to wit, the construction of a road through Sections Nos. 83 and 84, Square 4, in the Wai-iti Survey District:

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

Now, therefore, I, James Prendergast, the Administrator of the Government of the Colony of New Zealand, in exercise and pursuance of the powers and authorities in me vested by "The Public Works Act, 1894," and of every other power and authority in anywise enabling me in that behalf, do hereby proclaim and declare that, from and after the date of the publication hereof in the *New Zealand Gazette*, the lands mentioned in the Schedule hereto are hereby taken for the purposes of the construction of the said road.

SCHEDULE.

Area.	Part of Section No.	In Square No.	Survey District.	Shown on Plan marked	Coloured on Plan
A. R. P. 0 2 8	83	4	Wai-iti	S.G. 29039	Red.
0 1 4	"	"	"	"	"
1 0 22	"	"	"	"	"
1 1 12	"	"	"	"	"
1 0 0	"	"	"	"	"
1 0 0	"	"	"	"	"
2 2 26	84	"	"	S.G. 29039a	"
0 0 20	"	"	"	"	"

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

Given under the hand of His Excellency Sir James Prendergast, Knight, Chief Justice, Administrator of the Government in and over Her Majesty's Colony of New Zealand and its Dependencies, at the Government House, at Wellington; and issued under the Seal of the said Colony, this twenty-ninth day of March, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven.

JOHN McKENZIE,
Minister of Lands.

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN!

Withdrawing Land in Canterbury from Special Settlement.

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

A PROCLAMATION.

IN pursuance and exercise of the powers and authorities conferred upon me by the sixth section of "The Land Act, 1892," I, James Prendergast, the Administrator of the Government of the Colony of New Zealand, do hereby declare that from and after the day of the date hereof the Proclamation of the thirtieth day of November, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-five, by His Excellency the Governor, setting apart land for special settlements, shall be and the same is hereby revoked in so far as it relates to the section of land described in the Schedule hereto.

SCHEDULE.

CANTERBURY LAND DISTRICT.

Waitohi Survey District.

Section.	Block.	Area.
36573	IV. and V.	A. R. P. 288 3 0

Given under the hand of His Excellency Sir James Prendergast, Knight, Chief Justice, Administrator of the Government in and over Her Majesty's Colony of New Zealand and its Dependencies, at the Government House, at Wellington; and issued under the Seal of the said Colony, this twenty-ninth day of March, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven.

JOHN McKENZIE,
Minister of Lands.

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN!

Land taken for a Road through Section 1, Block IX., Woodville Survey District.

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

A PROCLAMATION.

WHEREAS the land mentioned in the Schedule hereto is required to be taken, under "The Public Works Act, 1894," for a certain work, to wit, the construction of a road in the Woodville Survey District:

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

Now, therefore, I, James Prendergast, the Administrator of the Government of the Colony of New Zealand, in exercise and pursuance of the powers and authorities in me vested by "The Public Works Act, 1894," and of every other power and authority in anywise enabling me in that behalf, do hereby proclaim and declare that, from and after the date of the publication hereof in the *New Zealand Gazette*, the land mentioned in the Schedule hereto is hereby taken for the purposes of the construction of the said road.

SCHEDULE.

The parcel of land mentioned hereunder:—

Approximate Area of the Parcel of Land required to be taken.	Being Portion of Section No.	Situated in Block No.	Survey District.
A. R. P. 1 3 23.6	1	IX.	Woodville.

In the Hawke's Bay Land District; as the same is more particularly delineated upon the plan marked S.G. 26942, deposited in the Head Office of the Department of Lands and Survey, at Wellington, in the Wellington Land District, and thereon coloured red.

Given under the hand of His Excellency Sir James Prendergast, Knight, Chief Justice, Administrator of the Government in and over Her Majesty's Colony of New Zealand and its Dependencies, at the Government House, at Wellington; and issued under the Seal of the said Colony, this twenty-ninth day of March, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven.

JOHN MCKENZIE,
Minister of Lands.

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN!

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

JAMES PRENDERGAST,
Administrator of the Government.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government House, at Wellington, this twenty-fifth day of March, 1897.

Present:

HIS EXCELLENCY THE ADMINISTRATOR OF THE GOVERNMENT IN COUNCIL.

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

Now, therefore, His Excellency the Administrator of the Government of the Colony of New Zealand, in pursuance and exercise of the power and authority conferred by section four of "The Native Land Laws Amendment Act,

1895," and by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of the said colony, doth hereby except from the operation of section one hundred and seventeen of "The Native Land Court Act, 1894," for the purpose of alienation by way of mortgage to the Public Trustee, the block or parcel of land known as "Ngawhakaakupe No. 2c," situate in the Waipawa and Huangarua Survey Districts, containing two thousand six hundred and five acres two roods and thirty-three perches, more or less, and being part of the land comprised in certificate of title, Volume Seventy-one, folio one hundred and nineteen, of the Land Transfer Register of the Wellington Land Registration District.

ALEX. WILLIS,
Clerk of the Executive Council.

Drawback on Sugar in Preserved Milk.

JAMES PRENDERGAST,
Administrator of the Government.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government House, at Wellington, this twenty-fifth day of March, 1897.

Present:

HIS EXCELLENCY THE ADMINISTRATOR OF THE GOVERNMENT IN COUNCIL.

WHEREAS it is enacted by the ninth section of "The Customs Duties Consolidation Act, 1882," that the Governor may by Order in Council from time to time specify the articles on which a drawback of duty paid on importation into New Zealand may be allowed on exportation therefrom, and the rate of duty to be so allowed; and may alter and cancel any such Order, and may approve of regulations and conditions under which a drawback may be allowed:

Now, therefore, His Excellency the Administrator of the Government of the Colony of New Zealand, by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of the said colony, and in exercise of the powers and authorities vested in him by the hereinbefore in part recited Act, doth hereby order and declare that on and after the date hereof there shall be allowed on the article specified hereunder a drawback of duty paid on importation or on being cleared from the warehouse according to the rates specified against such article as follows:—

On sugar contained in preserved milk manufactured in New Zealand, $\frac{3}{4}$ d. per pound, computed on the proportion of 4.32 lb. of sugar for each one dozen l-lb. tins of milk.

No drawback shall be paid in respect of any entry made for the exportation of New-Zealand-manufactured milk unless the quantity exported at any one time amounts to or exceeds 480 lb. net weight.

ALEX. WILLIS,
Clerk of the Executive Council.

Fixing Sitting of Court of Appeal.

JAMES PRENDERGAST,
Administrator of the Government.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government Buildings, at Wellington, this thirtieth day of March, 1897.

Present:

THE HONOURABLE R. J. SEDDON PRESIDING IN COUNCIL.

WHEREAS by "The Court of Appeal Act, 1882," it is enacted that the Court shall hold its sittings at such times and places as shall from time to time be fixed by the Governor in Council and proclaimed in the *Government Gazette* twenty-one days at least before the times so fixed respectively:

Now, therefore, His Excellency the Administrator of the Government of the Colony of New Zealand, by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of the said colony, doth hereby fix that a sitting of the Court of Appeal of New Zealand shall be held within the Supreme Court House, in the City of Wellington, upon Monday, the twenty-sixth day of April, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven, at eleven o'clock in the forenoon.

ALEX. WILLIS,
Clerk of the Executive Council.

Amending the Description of a Reserve in the Auckland Land District.

JAMES PRENDERGAST,
Administrator of the Government.

WHEREAS by the two hundred and thirty-ninth section of "The Land Act, 1892," it is enacted that where there has been any error of description made in any

notification of any intended reserve, or where there appears a great discrepancy in the area of any intended reserve after the same shall have been surveyed, the Governor may cancel any notification that may have been made in respect of such reserve, and issue fresh notifications in respect thereof, with amended particulars and description: And whereas an error was made in the description of Section 19, Parish of Kaitara, Auckland Land District, which was wrongly described as Section 19, Block II., Purua Survey District, in the Proclamation of the first day of April, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-four, published in the *New Zealand Gazette* No. 46, of the tenth day of April, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-four, reserving the land as an endowment for primary education, and it is expedient to cancel the said notification in so far as it relates to Section 19, Block II., Purua Survey District, aforesaid:

Now, therefore, I, James Prendergast, the Administrator of the Government of the Colony of New Zealand, do hereby revoke the Proclamation of the first day of April, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-four, in so far as it relates to Section 19, Block II., Purua Survey District; and do declare that the land described in the Schedule hereto shall be the land reserved as an endowment for primary education intended by the said notification.

SCHEDULE.

ALL that parcel of land in the Auckland Land District, containing by admeasurement 200 acres, more or less, being Lot No. 19 of the Parish of Kaitara. Bounded towards the north by a line, 3510 links; towards the east by a road, 100 links wide, 4088 links; towards the south by Section No. 20 of the said parish, 4949 links; and towards the west by the Patu-wairua River, 6000 links.

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

JOHN MCKENZIE,
Minister of Lands.

Amending the Description of a Reserve in the Wellington Land District.

JAMES PRENDERGAST,
Administrator of the Government.

WHEREAS by the two hundred and thirty-ninth section of "The Land Act, 1892," it is enacted that where there has been any error of description made in any notification of any intended reserve, or where there appears a great discrepancy in the area of any intended reserve after the same shall have been surveyed, the Governor may cancel any notification that may have been made in respect of such reserve, and issue fresh notification in respect thereof, with amended particulars and description: And whereas an error was made in the description of Section 48, Block VII., Tararua Survey District, Wellington Land District, which was wrongly described as Section 48, Block VII., Ruahine Survey District, in the warrant of the twenty-ninth day of May, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-five, published in the *New Zealand Gazette* No. 41, of the sixth day of June, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-five, and a Proclamation of the thirtieth day of September, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-five, published in the *New Zealand Gazette* No. 73, of the third day of October, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-five, reserving the land as an endowment for primary education; and it is expedient to cancel the said notifications in so far as they relate to Section 48, Block VII., Ruahine Survey District, aforesaid:

Now, therefore, I, James Prendergast, the Administrator of the Government of the Colony of New Zealand, do hereby revoke the warrant of the twenty-ninth day of May, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-five, and the Proclamation of the thirtieth day of September, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-five, in so far as they relate to Section No. 48, Block VII., Ruahine Survey District; and do declare that the land described in the Schedule hereto shall be the land reserved as an endowment for primary education intended by the said notifications.

SCHEDULE.

ALL that parcel of land in the Wellington Land District, containing by admeasurement 237 acres, more or less, being Section No. 48, Block VII., Tararua Survey District.

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

JOHN MCKENZIE,
Minister of Lands.

Polling-places for General Assembly Elections abolished and appointed.—Ohinemuri Electoral District.

JAMES PRENDERGAST,
Administrator of the Government.

WHEREAS by "The Electoral Act, 1893," it is, among other things, enacted that the Governor may from time to time appoint, alter, and abolish polling-places for each electoral district within the limits thereof, and that no polling-place shall be appointed unless the Governor shall be first satisfied that the place to be appointed is more convenient than any other for at least twenty electors to record their votes thereat:

Now, therefore, I, James Prendergast, the Administrator of the Government of the Colony of New Zealand, do hereby abolish the places mentioned in the First Schedule hereto as polling-places for the Electoral District of Ohinemuri, and appoint the places mentioned in the Second Schedule hereto to be polling-places for the said electoral district.

FIRST SCHEDULE.

POLLING-PLACES ABOLISHED.

Ohinemuri Electoral District—

The Post-office, Kopu.
The Polling-booth, Ohui.
Nicholas's Store, Ware's.
The Schoolhouse, Waihi.
H. W. Moore's House, Golden Cross.
The Schoolhouse, Karangahake.
The Maratoto United Cookhouse, Maratoto.

SECOND SCHEDULE.

POLLING-PLACES APPOINTED.

Ohinemuri Electoral District—

The Public Hall, Kopu.
Hanton's Store, The Wires.
Tanner's Hall, Waihi.
The Polling-booth, Golden Cross.
Miners' Union Office, Karangahake.
The Polling-booth, Maratoto.
Rees's Store, Komata.

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

J. CARROLL,
Acting Colonial Secretary.

Shooting Season for Imported and Native Game, License-fee, &c., Hawke's Bay District.

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, Administrator of the Government of the Colony of New Zealand, do hereby notify that cock pheasants and Californian quail may be taken or killed within the Hawke's Bay District, consisting of the Counties of Hawke's Bay, Patangata, Waipawa, Wairoa, and Taupo East, together with all the town districts and boroughs therein, 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 take or kill such game within the said district shall be issued on payment of the sum of ten shillings each, and that licenses to sell game and native game shall be issued on payment of the sum of five pounds each; and the Chief Postmaster at Napier, and the Postmasters at Waipawa, Woodville, Wairoa, Dannevirke, Hastings, Mohaka, Waipukurau, Norsewood, Ormondville, Porangahau, Wimbledon, and Taupo are hereby appointed to sign and issue the said licenses.

And I do further declare that native game, excepting tui, huia, white heron, and crested grebe, may be taken or killed within the above-mentioned district from the seventeenth day of April, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven, to the thirtieth day of June, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven, both days inclusive.

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

J. CARROLL.

Shooting Season for Native Game, License-fee, &c., South Canterbury District.

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 native game, excepting tui, huia, white heron, and crested grebe, may be taken or killed within the South Canterbury District, consisting of the Counties of Waimate and Mackenzie, and that part of the Geraldine County lying south of the Ophi River, from the seventeenth day of April, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven, to the thirty-first day of July, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven, both days 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 £5 each; and the Chief Postmaster at Timaru is hereby appointed to sign and issue the said licenses.

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

J. CARROLL.

Shooting Season for Imported and Native Game, License-fee, &c., Nelson District.

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, Administrator of the Government of the Colony of New Zealand, do hereby notify that cock pheasants and quail may be taken or killed within the Nelson District, consisting of the Counties of Waimea and Collingwood, 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 take or kill game within the said district shall be issued on payment of the sum of twenty shillings each; and the Chief Postmaster at Nelson is hereby appointed to sign and issue the said licenses.

And I do further declare that native game, excepting tui, huia, white heron, and crested grebe, may be taken or killed within the above-mentioned district from the seventeenth day of April, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven, to the thirty-first day of July, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven, both days inclusive.

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

J. CARROLL.

Shooting Season for Imported and Native Game, License-fee, &c., Grey District.

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 hares may be taken or killed within the Grey District, consisting of the County of Grey, from the 1st day of April, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven, to the thirty-first day of August, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven, both days inclusive (subject, nevertheless, to the restrictions in the said Act mentioned); and that cock pheasants may be taken or killed in the said district from the first day of July, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven, to the thirty-first day of July, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven, both inclusive (also subject to the restrictions in the said Acts mentioned). And I do further notify that licenses to take or kill such game within the said district shall be issued on payment of the sum of twenty shillings each, and that licenses to sell game and native game shall be issued on payment of the sum of five pounds each; and the Chief Postmaster at Greymouth is hereby appointed to sign and issue the said licenses.

And I do further declare that native game, excepting tui, huia, white heron, and crested grebe, may be taken or killed within the above-mentioned district from the seventeenth day of April, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven,

to the thirty-first day of July, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven, both days inclusive.

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

J. CARROLL.

Shooting Season for Imported and Native Game, License-fee, &c., North Canterbury District.

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 cock pheasants and quail may be taken or killed within the North Canterbury District, consisting of the Counties of Cheviot, Ashley, Akaroa, and Selwyn, from the first day of May, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven, to the thirtieth day of June, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven, both inclusive (subject, nevertheless, to the restrictions in the said Acts mentioned); and that hares may be taken or killed in the said district 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 (also subject to the restrictions in the said Acts mentioned). And I do further notify that licenses to take or kill such game within the said district shall be issued on payment of the sum of twenty shillings each, and that licenses to sell game and native game shall be issued on payment of the sum of five pounds each; and the Chief Postmaster at Christchurch is hereby appointed to sign and issue the said licenses.

And I do further declare that native game, excepting tui, huia, white heron, and crested grebe, may be taken or killed within the above-mentioned district from the seventeenth day of April, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven, to the thirty-first day of July, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven, both days inclusive.

Two feet six inches in depth shall be used for the purpose of taking or killing wild duck or other native or imported game on any lake or stream in the above-mentioned district.

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

J. CARROLL.

Shooting Season for Imported and Native Game, License-fee, &c., Otago District.

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, Administrator of the Government of the Colony of New Zealand, do hereby notify that hares and quail may be taken or killed within the Otago District—being all that area in the Provincial District of Otago bounded on the east and south by the ocean from Shag Point to the mouth of the Mataura River; on the west, south-west, and south by the Mataura River and the Counties of Southland and Wallace; on the north-west by the ocean; and on the north, north-west, and north-east by the Counties of Westland and Waitaki: excepting therefrom the County of Lake—
—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 take or kill such game within the said district shall be issued on payment of the sum of twenty shillings each, and that licenses to sell game and native game shall be issued on payment of the sum of five pounds each; and the Chief Postmaster at Dunedin is hereby appointed to sign and issue the said licenses.

And I do further declare that native game, excepting wild geese, tui, huia, white heron, bittern, and crested grebe, may be taken or killed within the above-mentioned district from the seventeenth day of April, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven, to the thirty-first day of July, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven, both days inclusive.

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

J. CARROLL.

Coursing Season for Hares, and Shooting Season for Native Game, License-fee, &c., Southland District.

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, Administrator of the Government of the Colony of New Zealand, do hereby notify that hares may be taken or killed by coursing only within the Southland District, consisting of so much of the County of Southland as lies to the westward of the Mataura River, together with the Counties of Fiord, Wallace, and Stewart Island, excepting therefrom Resolution Island, off Dusky Sound, from the first day of April, 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 course hares within the said district shall be issued on payment of the sum of twenty shillings each, and that licenses to sell game and native game shall be issued on payment of the sum of five pounds each; and the Chief Postmaster at Invercargill is hereby appointed to sign and issue the said licenses.

And I do further declare that native game, excepting more-pork owl (ruru), bittern, tui, huia, white heron, and crested grebe, may be taken or killed within the above-mentioned district from the seventeenth day of April, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven, to the thirty-first day of July, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven, both days inclusive.

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

J. CARROLL.

Shooting Season for Imported and Native Game, License-fee, &c., Cook County District.

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 cock pheasants and Californian quail may be taken or killed within the Cook County District, consisting of the Counties of Cook and Waiapu, from the first day of May, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven, to the thirtieth day of June, 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 game within the said district shall be issued on payment of the sum of ten shillings each, and that licenses to sell game and native game shall be issued on payment of the sum of five pounds each; and the Chief Postmaster at Gisborne is hereby appointed to sign and issue the said licenses.

And I do further declare that native game, excepting native pigeon, tui, huia, white heron, and crested grebe, may be taken or killed within the above-mentioned district from the seventeenth day of April, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven, to the thirtieth day of June, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven, both days inclusive.

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

J. CARROLL.

Trustees for the Nuhaka North Public Cemetery appointed.

JAMES PRENDERGAST,
Administrator of the Government.

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

SCHEDULE.

Names of Trustees.	Name of Public Cemetery, and Description of Land.
Maurice James Joblin, Robert Black, Charles Edward Stewart, Thomas Edward Taylor, and Robert Sloan.	<p>NUHAKA NORTH.</p> <p>All that parcel of land in the Hawke's Bay Land District, containing by admeasurement 5 acres, more or less, being Section No. 19, Block XV., Nuhaka North Survey District. Bounded towards the north-west by a road, 715.4 links; towards the north-east by Section No. 14, 645.2 links; towards the south-east by Section No. 14, 683.7 links; and towards the south-west by Section No. 14, 797.5 links: be all the aforesaid linkages more or less; as the same is delineated on the plan deposited in the office of the Chief Surveyor, Napier.</p>

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

JOHN McKENZIE,
Minister of Lands.

Appointing a Trustee for the South Malvern Public Cemetery.

JAMES PRENDERGAST,
Administrator of the Government.

IN pursuance and exercise of the powers and authorities vested in me by the sixth section of "The Cemeteries Act, 1882," I, James Prendergast, the Administrator of the Government of the Colony of New Zealand, do hereby appoint

WILLIAM JOHN BAXTER

to be a Trustee, in the place of Arthur Langford Joseph, to provide for the maintenance and care of the South Malvern Public Cemetery, in conjunction with the other persons appointed by warrants under the hand of his Excellency the Governor.

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

JOHN McKENZIE,
Minister of Lands.

Deputy Registrars of Marriages, &c., appointed.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Wellington, 27th March, 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.
ROBERT CHARLES BLACK	.. .. Riverton.
GEORGE WILLIAM WOODS	.. .. Mahurangi.

J. CARROLL,
Acting Colonial Secretary.

Commissioner, Native Land Court, appointed.

Department of Justice,
Wellington, 30th March, 1897.

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

ROBERT LOFTUS STANFORD, Esq., S.M.,

to be a Commissioner of the Native Land Court.

R. J. SEDDON,
Native Minister.

Sub-Commissioner, Native Land Court, appointed.

Department of Justice,
Wellington, 30th March, 1897.

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

JOHN BROOKING,

of Gisborne, to be a Sub-Commissioner of the Native Land Court.

R. J. SEDDON,
Native Minister.

Inspector of Sea-fishing appointed.

Marine Department,
Wellington, 27th March, 1897.

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

JAMES JOHNSTON,

of Rangiora, police constable, to be an Inspector of Sea-fishing under the above-mentioned Act.

WM. HALL-JONES.

Official Visitor, Auckland Lunatic Asylum, appointed.

Lunacy and Charitable Department,
Wellington, 30th March, 1897.

HIS Excellency the Administrator of the Government has, under "The Lunatics Act, 1882," and "The Lunatics Act Amendment Act, 1894," been pleased to appoint

SADA RUSSELL HENDRE

to be an Official Visitor of the Lunatic Asylum at Auckland.

W. C. WALKER.

Medical Superintendent, Auckland Lunatic Asylum, appointed.

Lunacy and Charitable Department,
Wellington, 30th March, 1897.

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

ROBERT MARTIN BEATTIE, Esq., M.B., M.S., Univ. Edin., to be Medical Superintendent of the Lunatic Asylum at Auckland from the 1st day of April, 1897, vice Dr. E. E. Fooks, resigned.

W. C. WALKER.

Assistant Medical Officer, Seacliff Lunatic Asylum, appointed.

Lunacy and Charitable Department,
Wellington, 30th March, 1897.

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

WILLIAM CHARLES GREIG, Esq., M.D. Univ. Edin.,

to be Assistant Medical Officer of the Lunatic Asylum at Seacliff from the 27th instant, vice Dr. R. M. Beattie, transferred to Auckland Asylum.

W. C. WALKER.

Relieving Medical Officer, Lunatic Asylums, and Assistant Medical Officer, Wellington Asylum, appointed.

Lunacy and Charitable Department,
Wellington, 30th March, 1897.

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

WALTER DYMCK PERRY, Esq., M.R.C.S. Eng., L.R.C.P. Lond.,

to be Relieving Medical Officer to the Lunatic Asylums of the Colony, as occasion requires, and Assistant Medical Officer of the Lunatic Asylum at Wellington, from the 24th instant.

W. C. WALKER.

District Commanding Officer appointed temporarily.

Defence Office,
Wellington, 27th March, 1897.

HIS Excellency the Administrator of the Government has been pleased to approve of the appointment of

Major JOSEPH HENRY BANKS,

late H.M. 7th Dragoon Guards, to the temporary command of the Auckland Militia and Volunteer District for three months from the 1st April, 1897.

T. THOMPSON.

New Zealand Militia Officer appointed.

Defence Office,
Wellington, 27th March, 1897.

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

Major JOSEPH HENRY BANKS,

late H.M. 7th Dragoon Guards, to be a Lieutenant-Colonel in the New Zealand Militia while holding the temporary command of the Auckland Militia and Volunteer District Commission, to date from the 1st April, 1897.

T. THOMPSON.

Resignation of District Commanding Officer.

Defence Office,
Wellington, 27th March, 1897.

HIS Excellency the Administrator of the Government has been pleased to accept the resignation by Lieut.-Colonel FORSTER YELVERTON GORING, N.Z.M., of the command of the Auckland Militia and Volunteer District, as from the 31st May, 1897.

T. THOMPSON.

Justice of the Peace resigned.

Department of Justice,
Wellington, 31st March, 1897.

HIS Excellency the Administrator of the Government has been pleased to accept the resignation by

JAMES WRIGHT SAWLE, Esq.,

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

T. THOMPSON.

Letters of Naturalisation issued.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Wellington, 27th March, 1897.

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

Name.	Occupation.	Residence.
Hermann Arnst ..	Farmer ..	Ladbrooks, Tai Tapu.
Gottlieb Dey ..	Farmer ..	Makarewa.
John Mekalick ..	Labourer ..	Kaitawa.
Anders Walfrid Peterson ..	Labourer ..	Masterton.
Amel Koberstein ..	Butcher ..	Rongotea.

J. CARROLL,
Acting Colonial Secretary.

Result of Poll for Proposed Loan, Borough of Cromwell.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Wellington, 24th March, 1897.

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

J. CARROLL,
Acting Colonial Secretary.

BOROUGH OF CROMWELL.

RESULT of poll of burgesses for or against the proposal to borrow the sum of £230 sterling, under the Loans to Local Bodies Act, to pay proportion of cost of re-erection of Cromwell Bridge, held on Thursday, 6th August, 1896:—

Number of ratepayers on roll, 70; voted for the proposal, 44; voted against the proposal, 0; number of votes on roll, 91; polled for the proposal, 63; polled against the proposal, 0.

I therefore declare the said proposal carried.
THOMAS ROONEY,
Mayor.

Result of Poll for Proposed Loan, Hutt County Council.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Wellington, 31st March, 1897.

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

J. CARROLL,
Acting Colonial Secretary.

COUNTY OF HUTT.—No. 5 LOAN, AKATARAWA.

RESULT of a poll taken on the 24th day of March, 1897, on a proposal to raise a loan of £500 under "The Local Bodies' Loans Act, 1886," and amendments thereof, for the purpose of constructing that portion of the Hutt-Waikanae Road situate between the Hutt River and the north-eastern corner of Section 391, Block 6, Akatarawa Survey District:—

Number of ratepayers on roll, 38, representing 45 votes; Number of ratepayers who voted in favour of proposal, 13,

representing 14 votes; number of ratepayers who voted against proposal, nil; number of ratepayers who did not vote, 25, representing 31 votes; number of informal votes, nil.

As less than the required number of ratepayers voted, and recorded less than the required number of votes, I hereby declare the proposal to be not carried.

F. A. MAJENDIE,
Chairman, Hutt County Council.
Hutt County Council Office,
Wellington, 25th March, 1897.

Notice of the Laying-off of Roads through the Whakarewara Block, Auckland Land District.

NOTICE is hereby given, by direction of His Excellency the Administrator of the Government of the Colony of New Zealand, under the authority of section 92 of "The Public Works Act, 1894," that the roads described in the Schedule hereto were, on the 20th October, 1896, duly taken and laid off through the land specified in the said Schedule, under the authority of the Governor of the said colony, by a warrant dated the 28th March, 1894.

SCHEDULE.
ROADS THROUGH WHAKAREWAREWA BLOCK.

Area.	Being Portion of Native Block	Situated in Block	Survey District.	Marked on Plan	Coloured on Plan
A. R. P. 0 1 35	Whakarewara No. 3	I.	Tarawera	10130 ¹	Red.
0 0 10	Ditto ..	"	"	"	"
0 0 10	" ..	"	"	"	"
0 1 34	" ..	"	"	"	"

As the said areas are delineated upon the plan marked as above mentioned, deposited in the District Office of the Lands and Survey Department at Auckland, in the Auckland Land District, and thereon coloured as above stated.

Dated this 25th day of March, 1897.

JOHN MCKENZIE,
Minister of Lands.

Notice of the Laying-off of Roads through the Pahaoa Nos. 2, 3, 4, and 5, Takapau, and Wainuioru Blocks, in the Wellington Land District.

NOTICE is hereby given, by direction of His Excellency the Administrator of the Government of the Colony of New Zealand, under the authority of "The Native Land Court Act, 1894," that the roads described in the Schedule hereto were, on the 10th day of October, 1896, duly taken and laid off through the lands specified in the said Schedule, under the authority of the Governor of the said colony, by warrants dated the 2nd April and 11th May, 1896.

SCHEDULE.
PAHAOA AND NGAIRONUI ROADS.

Area.	Being Portion of	Survey District.	Block.	Shown on Plans marked	Coloured on Plan
A. R. P. 10 1 26	Pahaoa No. 3 Block	Wainuioru	XIII.	21 and 21	Brown.
7 0 9	Pahaoa No. 4 Block	Waipawa	IV.	21	"
4 2 24	Pahaoa No. 5 Block	"	"	21	"
2 2 13	Pahaoa No. 2 Block	Wainuioru	XIII.	21	"
8 3 29	Takapau Block	"	"	21	"
36 1 31	Wainuioru No. 1 Block	"	"	21 and 21	"
18 1 0	Wainuioru Block	"	"	21	"

As the said areas are delineated upon the plans marked as above mentioned, deposited in the District Office of the Lands and Survey Department at Wellington, in the Wellington Land District, and thereon coloured as above stated.

Dated this 29th day of March, 1897.

JOHN MCKENZIE,
Minister of Lands.

Leases of Lands in Southland forfeited.

Department of Lands and Survey,
Wellington, 31st March, 1897.

IT is hereby notified that, the leases of the under-mentioned Crown lands having been forfeited by resolutions of the Southland Land Board, the said lands have reverted to the Crown under the provisions of "The Land Act, 1892."

SCHEDULE.

Sections.	Block.	Locality.	Held by	Tenure.
811, 812	..	Hokonui ..	William Jones ..	Occupation with right of purchase.
580	..	" ..	George Couley ..	Lease in perpetuity.
51	XIX.	New River Hundred	T. H. Maclaurin (deceased)	Ditto.

JOHN MCKENZIE,
Minister of Lands.

Lands in the Nelson District forfeited.

Department of Lands and Survey,
Wellington, 30th March, 1897.

IT is hereby notified that, the leases of the under-mentioned Crown lands having been forfeited, or surrenders accepted, by resolutions of the Nelson Land Board, the said lands have reverted to the Crown under the provisions of "The Land Act, 1892."

SCHEDULE.

Section.	Block.	Locality.	Held by	Tenure.
73, 1, 5, 7, 9	14 sq.	Aorere ..	J. E. Skilton	Perpetual lease.
25	II.	Motueka	Public Trustee	Deferred payment.
1	X.	Pakawau	Collingwood Coal Company	Mineral lease.

JOHN MCKENZIE,
Minister of Lands.

Public Notice under "The Orchard and Garden Pests Act, 1896."—Notice No. 477.

Department of Agriculture,
Wellington, 24th March, 1897.

IT having been reported to me that the disease known as phylloxera exists amongst vines growing on certain lands in the Auckland Land District, I therefore, in accordance with section 10 of "The Orchard and Garden Pests Act, 1896," hereby declare the under-mentioned lands to be infected places from which no plants shall be removed except under the direction of an Inspector appointed under the said Act:—

Lots 8 and 9 of Section 19, Grey Street, Devonport. Occupied by Mr. James Trayes.

Part of Lot 20A, Section 20, Buchanan Street, Devonport. Occupied by Mr. William Philcox.

Lots 65 and 66 of Section 30, Takapuna Riding. Occupied by Mr. John Denby, Northcote.

Lots 4 and 5 of Section 10, Auckland Suburbs. Occupied by Mr. W. Bridgman, Mount Eden Road.

Lots 7A and 12, Section 10, Auckland Suburbs. Occupied by Mr. Samuel Harding, Mount Eden Road.

Lots 7 and 8, Section 16, Eden County, Parish of Waitemata. Occupied by Mr. C. T. Wren, Remuera.

Sections 352, 436, 456, Block IX., Parahaki Survey District. Occupied by Mrs. M. A. Horn, Whangarei.

JOHN MCKENZIE,
Minister for Agriculture.

Volunteer Officers promoted.

Defence Office,
Wellington, 25th March, 1897.

HIS Excellency the Administrator of the Government has been pleased to approve of the under-mentioned promotions, under paragraph 73, Volunteer Regulations, 1895:—

General Medical List, New Zealand Volunteers.

Surgeon-Captain Thomas Cahill to be Surgeon-Major. Date of commission, 20th December, 1896.

Surgeon-Captain James Hudson to be Surgeon-Major. Date of commission, 27th January, 1897.

Surgeon-Captain Walter Relf Peerless to be Surgeon-Major. Date of commission, 5th February, 1897.

Surgeon-Captain James McBrearty to be Surgeon-Major. Date of commission, 9th February, 1897.

T. THOMPSON.

Resignation of Volunteer Officer, and Transfer to Honorary Unattached List.

Defence Office,
Wellington, 27th March, 1897.

HIS Excellency the Administrator of the Government has been pleased to approve, under paragraph 262, Volunteer Regulations, 1895, of

Captain JOSEPH SUTCLIFFE,

Royal Rifle Volunteers, Marton, being transferred to the Honorary Unattached List, New Zealand Volunteers, on his resigning the command of that corps, and with effect from the 1st March, 1897.

T. THOMPSON.

Resignation of Officer, and Transfer to District Reserve Corps.

Defence Office,
Wellington, 27th March, 1897.

HIS Excellency the Administrator of the Government has been pleased to approve, under paragraphs 94 and 97, Volunteer Regulations, 1895, of

Captain ARTHUR McCARTNEY,

F Battery, New Zealand Regiment, Artillery Volunteers, being transferred to the Wellington District Reserve Corps on resigning the command of the battery, and with effect from the 4th June, 1896.

T. THOMPSON.

Transfer of Volunteer Officer to District Reserve Corps.

Defence Office,
Wellington, 27th March, 1897.

HIS Excellency the Administrator of the Government has been pleased to approve, under paragraphs 94 and 97, Volunteer Regulations, 1895, of the transfer of

Lieutenant MICHAEL MARR

from the Royal Rifle Volunteers (Marton) to the Wellington District Reserve Corps as Lieutenant, and with effect from the 1st March, 1897.

T. THOMPSON.

Volunteer Officer resigned.

Defence Office,
Wellington, 27th March, 1897.

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

Invercargill City Guards Rifle Volunteers.

Captain Peter Hallyburton Miller. Date of resignation, 15th March, 1897.

T. THOMPSON.

Trustee of Volunteer Hall resigned.

Defence Office,
Wellington, 27th March, 1897.

HIS Excellency the Administrator of the Government has been pleased to accept the resignation of

Mr. DAVID FULLERTON

as a Trustee of the Patumahoe Volunteer Hall (Auckland), as from the 16th March, 1897.

T. THOMPSON.

Rifle Cadet Volunteer Corps accepted.

Defence Office,
Wellington, 27th March, 1897.

HIS Excellency the Administrator of the Government has been pleased to accept, under paragraph 264, Volunteer Regulations, 1895, the services of the

King's College Rifle Cadet Volunteers

(Remuera, Auckland), as from the 19th March, 1897.

T. THOMPSON.

Amended Regulations for preventing Collisions at Sea.

Marine Department,
Wellington, 25th March, 1897.

THE following regulations for preventing collisions at sea, made by Order of Her Majesty the Queen in Council, on the 27th November, 1896, are published for general information.

These regulations will, in pursuance of the provisions of section 172 of "The Shipping and Seamen's Act, 1877," come in force in New Zealand on the 1st July, 1897.

WM. HALL-JONES,
Minister of Marine.

At the Court at Windsor, the 27th day of November, 1896.

Present:

THE QUEEN'S MOST EXCELLENT MAJESTY IN COUNCIL.

WHEREAS by section 418 of the Merchant Shipping Act, 1894, Her Majesty is empowered from time to time on the joint recommendation of the Admiralty and the Board of Trade by Order in Council to make regulations for preventing collisions at sea: And whereas by section 434 of the said Act Her Majesty is empowered from time to time by Order in Council to make rules as to signals of distress: And whereas by an Order in Council dated the 11th day of August, 1884, and expressed to be made in pursuance of the Merchant Shipping Act Amendment Act, 1862, and on the joint recommendation of the Admiralty and the Board of Trade, Her Majesty was pleased to direct that, on and after the 1st day of September, 1884, the regulations contained in the Schedule thereto (being regulations for preventing collisions at sea and as to signals of distress) should be substituted for the regulations contained in the First Schedule to an Order in Council made under the same Act and on such joint recommendations as aforesaid, and dated the 14th day of August, 1879: And whereas the Admiralty and the Board of Trade have jointly recommended to Her Majesty that the regulations for preventing collisions at sea contained in the Schedule to the said Order in Council dated the 11th day of August, 1884, except the article numbered 10 in such regulations, should, on and after the 1st day of July, 1897, be annulled, and that the Regulations for Preventing Collisions at Sea contained in Schedule I. hereto annexed should, on and after the last-mentioned date, be substituted therefor, with the exception aforesaid, and come into operation as regards British ships and boats: And whereas it has been made to appear to Her Majesty that it is expedient that the regulations or rules as to signals of distress contained in the Schedule to the said Order in Council dated the 11th day of August, 1884, should, on and after the 1st day of July, 1897, be annulled, and that the rules as to signals of distress contained in Schedule II. hereto annexed should, on and after the last-mentioned date, be substituted therefor and come into operation as regards British ships and boats: And whereas the provisions of section 1 of the Rules Publication Act, 1893, have been complied with:

Now, therefore, Her Majesty, by virtue of the power vested in her by section 418 of the Merchant Shipping Act, 1894, and on the joint recommendation of the Admiralty and the Board of Trade, and by and with the advice of her Privy Council, is pleased to direct that, on and after the 1st day of July, 1897, the Regulations for Preventing Collisions at Sea contained in the Schedule to the said Order in Council dated the 11th day of August, 1884, except the article numbered 10 in such regulations, shall be annulled, and the Regulations for Preventing Collisions at Sea contained in Schedule I. hereto annexed shall be substituted therefor (with the exception aforesaid) and come into operation as regards British ships and boats.

And Her Majesty is further pleased, by virtue of the power vested in her by section 434 of the Merchant Shipping Act, 1894, and by and with the advice of her Privy Council, to direct that, on and after the 1st day of July, 1897, the regulations or rules as to signals of distress contained in the Schedule to the said Order in Council dated the 11th day of August, 1884, shall be annulled, and the rules as to signals of distress contained in Schedule II. hereto annexed shall be substituted therefor and come into operation as regards British ships and boats.

C. L. PEEL.

SCHEDULE I.

Preliminary.

These rules shall be followed by all vessels upon the high seas, and in all waters connected therewith navigable by sea-going vessels.

In the following rules every steam-vessel which is under sail, and not under steam, is to be considered a sailing-vessel, and every vessel under steam, whether under sail or not, is to be considered a steam-vessel.

The word "steam-vessel" shall include any vessel propelled by machinery.

A vessel is "under way" within the meaning of these rules when she is not at anchor, or made fast to the shore, or aground.

Rules concerning Lights, &c.

The word "visible" in these rules, when applied to lights, shall mean, visible on a dark night with a clear atmosphere.

Article 1. The rules concerning lights shall be complied with in all weathers from sunset to sunrise, and during such time no other lights which may be mistaken for the prescribed lights shall be exhibited.

Art. 2. A steam-vessel when under way shall carry—

- (a.) On or in front of the foremast, or, if a vessel without a foremast, then in the fore part of the vessel, at a height above the hull of not less than 20 ft., and, if the breadth of the vessel exceeds 20 ft., then at a height above the hull not less than such breadth, so, however, that the light need not be carried at a greater height above the hull than 40 ft., a bright white light, so constructed as to show an unbroken light over an arc of the horizon of twenty points of the compass, so fixed as to throw the light ten points on each side of the vessel—namely, from right ahead to two points abaft the beam on either side—and of such a character as to be visible at a distance of at least five miles.
- (b.) On the starboard side, a green light, so constructed as to show an unbroken light over an arc of the horizon of ten points of the compass, so fixed as to throw the light from right ahead to two points abaft the beam on the starboard side, and of such a character as to be visible at a distance of at least two miles.
- (c.) On the port side a red light, so constructed as to show an unbroken light over an arc of the horizon of ten points of the compass, so fixed as to throw the light from right ahead to two points abaft the beam on the port side, and of such a character as to be visible at a distance of at least two miles.
- (d.) The said green and red side-lights shall be fitted with inboard screens projecting at least 3 ft. forward from the light, so as to prevent these lights from being seen across the bow.
- (e.) A steam-vessel when under way may carry an additional white light similar in construction to the light mentioned in subdivision (a). These two lights shall be so placed in line with the keel that one shall be at least 15 ft. higher than the other, and in such a position with reference to each other that the lower light shall be forward of the upper one. The vertical distance between these lights shall be less than the horizontal distance.

Art. 3. A steam-vessel when towing another vessel shall, in addition to her side-lights, carry two bright white lights in a vertical line one over the other, not less than 6 ft. apart, and when towing more than one vessel shall carry an additional bright white light 6 ft. above or below such lights, if the length of the tow, measuring from the stern of the towing vessel to the stern of the last vessel towed, exceeds 600 ft. Each of these lights shall be of the same construction and character, and shall be carried in the same position as the white light mentioned in Article 2, (a), except the additional light, which may be carried at a height of not less than 14 ft. above the hull.

Such steam-vessel may carry a small white light abaft the funnel or aftermast for the vessel towed to steer by, but such light shall not be visible forward of the beam.

Art. 4. (a.) A vessel which from any accident is not under command shall carry at the same height as the white light mentioned in Article 2, (a), where they can best be seen, and, if a steam-vessel, in lieu of that light, two red lights, in a vertical line one over the other, not less than 6 ft. apart, and of such a character as to be visible all round the horizon at a distance of at least two miles; and shall by day carry in a vertical line one over the other, not less than 6 ft. apart, where they can best be seen, two black balls or shapes, each 2 ft. in diameter.

(b.) A vessel employed in laying or in picking up a telegraph-cable shall carry in the same position as the white light mentioned in Article 2, (a), and, if a steam-vessel, in lieu of that light, three lights in a vertical line one over the other, not less than 6 ft. apart. The highest and lowest of these lights shall be red, and the middle light shall be white, and they shall be of such a character as to be visible all round the horizon, at a distance of at least two miles. By day she shall carry in a vertical line one over the other, not less than 6 ft. apart, where they can best be seen, three shapes not less than 2 ft. in diameter, of which the highest and lowest shall be globular in shape and red in colour, and the middle one diamond in shape and white.

(c.) The vessels referred to in this article, when not making way through the water, shall not carry the side-lights, but when making way shall carry them.

(d.) The lights and shapes required to be shown by this article are to be taken by other vessels as signals that the vessel showing them is not under command, and cannot, therefore, get out of the way.

These signals are not signals of vessels in distress and requiring assistance. Such signals are contained in Article 31.

Art. 5. A sailing-vessel under way, and any vessel being towed, shall carry the same lights as are prescribed by Article 2 for a steam-vessel under way, with the exception of the white lights mentioned therein, which they shall never carry.

Art. 6. Whenever, as in the case of small vessels under way during bad weather, the green and red side-lights cannot be fixed, these lights shall be kept at hand lighted and ready for use; and shall, on the approach of or to other vessels, be exhibited on their respective sides in sufficient time to prevent collision, in such manner as to make them most visible, and so that the green light shall not be seen on the port side nor the red light on the starboard side, nor, if practicable, more than two points abaft the beam on their respective sides.

To make the use of these portable lights more certain and easy, the lanterns containing them shall each be painted outside with the colour of the light they respectively contain, and shall be provided with proper screens.

Art. 7. Steam-vessels of less than 40, and vessels under oars or sails of less than 20, tons gross tonnage respectively, and rowing-boats, when under way, shall not be obliged to carry the lights mentioned in Article 2, (a), (b), and (c), but if they do not carry them they shall be provided with the following lights;—

1. Steam-vessels of less than 40 tons shall carry—

(a.) In the fore part of the vessel, or on or in front of the funnel, where it can best be seen, and at a height above the gunwale of not less than 9 ft., a bright white light, constructed and fixed as prescribed in Article 2, (a), and of such a character as to be visible at a distance of at least two miles.

(b.) Green and red side-lights, constructed and fixed as prescribed in Article 2, (b) and (c), and of such a character as to be visible at a distance of at least one mile, or a combined lantern showing a green light and a red light from right ahead to two points abaft the beam on their respective sides. Such lantern shall be carried not less than 3 ft. below the white light.

2. Small steamboats, such as are carried by sea-going vessels, may carry the white light at a less height than 9 ft. above the gunwale, but it shall be carried above the combined lantern mentioned in subdivision 1, (b).

3. Vessels under oars or sails, of less than 20 tons, shall have ready at hand a lantern with a green glass on one side and a red glass on the other, which, on the approach of or to other vessels, shall be exhibited in sufficient time to prevent collision, so that the green light shall not be seen on the port side nor the red light on the starboard side.

4. Rowing-boats, whether under oars or sail, shall have ready at hand a lantern showing a white light, which shall be temporarily exhibited in sufficient time to prevent collision.

The vessels referred to in this article shall not be obliged to carry the lights prescribed by Article 4, (a), and Article 11, last paragraph.

Art. 8. Pilot-vessels, when engaged on their station on pilotage duty, shall not show the lights required for other vessels, but shall carry a white light at the masthead, visible all round the horizon, and shall also exhibit a flare-up light or flare-up lights at short intervals, which shall never exceed fifteen minutes.

On the near approach of or to other vessels they shall have their side-lights lighted, ready for use, and shall flash or show them at short intervals, to indicate the direction in which they are heading; but the green light shall not be shown on the port side, nor the red light on the starboard side.

A pilot-vessel of such a class as to be obliged to go alongside of a vessel to put a pilot on board may show the white light instead of carrying it at the masthead, and may, instead of the coloured lights above mentioned, have at hand ready for use a lantern with a green glass on the one side and a red glass on the other, to be used as prescribed above.

Pilot-vessels, when not engaged on their station on pilotage duty, shall carry lights similar to those of other vessels of their tonnage.

*Art. 9.**

Art. 10. A vessel which is being overtaken by another shall show from her stern to such last-mentioned vessel a white light or a flare-up light.

The white light required to be shown by this article may be fixed and carried in a lantern, but in such case the lantern shall be so constructed, fitted, and screened that it shall throw an unbroken light over an arc of the horizon of twelve points of the compass—viz., for six points from right aft on each side of the vessel, so as to be visible at a distance of at least one mile. Such light shall be carried as nearly as practicable on the same level as the side-lights.

Art. 11. A vessel under 150 ft. in length, when at anchor, shall carry forward, where it can best be seen, but at a height not exceeding 20 ft. above the hull, a white light, in a lantern so constructed as to show a clear, uniform, and unbroken light visible all round the horizon at a distance of at least one mile.

A vessel of 150 ft. or upwards in length, when at anchor, shall carry in a forward part of the vessel, at a height of not less than 20 ft., and not exceeding 40 ft., above the hull, one such light, and at or near the stern of the vessel, and at such a height that it shall be not less than 15 ft. lower than the forward light, another such light.

The length of a vessel shall be deemed to be the length appearing in her certificate of registry.

A vessel aground in or near a fairway shall carry the above light or lights and the two red lights prescribed by Article 4, (a).

Art. 12. Every vessel may, if necessary in order to attract attention, in addition to the lights which she is by these rules required to carry, show a flare-up light or use any detonating signal that cannot be mistaken for a distress signal.

Art. 13. Nothing in these rules shall interfere with the operation of any special rules made by the Government of any nation with respect to additional station and signal lights for two or more ships-of-war or for vessels sailing under convoy, or with the exhibition of recognition signals adopted by shipowners, which have been authorised by their respective Governments, and duly registered and published.

Art. 14. A steam-vessel proceeding under sail only, but having her funnel up, shall carry in daytime, forward, where it can best be seen, one black ball or shape 2 ft. in diameter.

Sound-signals for Fog, &c.

Art. 15. All signals prescribed by this article for vessels under way shall be given—

1. By "steam-vessels" on the whistle or siren.
2. By "sailing-vessels and vessels towed" on the fog-horn.

The words "prolonged blast," used in this article, shall mean a blast of from four to six seconds' duration.

A steam-vessel shall be provided with an efficient whistle or siren, sounded by steam or some substitute for steam, so placed that the sound may not be intercepted by any obstruction, and with an efficient fog-horn, to be sounded by mechanical means, and also with an efficient bell.† A sailing-vessel of 20 tons gross tonnage or upwards shall be provided with a similar fog-horn and bell.

In fog, mist, falling snow, or heavy rainstorms, whether by day or night, the signals described in this article shall be used as follows, viz. :—

- (a.) A steam-vessel having way upon her shall sound, at intervals of not more than two minutes, a prolonged blast.
- (b.) A steam-vessel under way, but stopped, and having no way upon her, shall sound, at intervals of not more than two minutes, two prolonged blasts, with an interval of about one second between them.
- (c.) A sailing-vessel under way shall sound, at intervals of not more than one minute, when on the starboard tack one blast, when on the port tack two blasts in succession, and when with the wind abaft the beam three blasts in succession.
- (d.) A vessel, when at anchor, shall, at intervals of not more than one minute, ring the bell rapidly for about five seconds.
- (e.) A vessel when towing, a vessel employed in laying or picking up a telegraph-cable, and a vessel under way which is unable to get out of the way of an approaching vessel through being not under command, or unable to manoeuvre as required by these rules, shall, instead of the signals prescribed in subdivisions (a) and (c) of this article, at intervals of not more than two minutes sound three blasts

in succession—viz., one prolonged blast followed by two short blasts. A vessel towed may give this signal, and she shall not give any other.

Sailing-vessels and boats of less than 20 tons gross tonnage shall not be obliged to give the above-mentioned signals, but, if they do not, they shall make some other efficient sound-signal at intervals of not more than one minute.

Speed of Ships to be moderate in Fog, &c.

Art. 16. Every vessel shall, in a fog, mist, falling snow, or heavy rainstorms, go at a moderate speed, having careful regard to the existing circumstances and conditions.

A steam-vessel hearing, apparently forward of her beam, the fog-signal of a vessel the position of which is not ascertained shall, so far as the circumstances of the case admit, stop her engines, and then navigate with caution until danger of collision is over.

STEERING AND SAILING RULES.

Preliminary. — Risk of Collision.

Risk of collision can, when circumstances permit, be ascertained by carefully watching the compass-bearing of an approaching vessel. If the bearing does not appreciably change, such risk should be deemed to exist.

Art. 17. When two sailing-vessels are approaching one another so as to involve risk of collision, one of them shall keep out of the way of the other, as follows, viz. :—

- (a.) A vessel which is running free shall keep out of the way of a vessel which is close-hauled.
- (b.) A vessel which is close-hauled on the port tack shall keep out of the way of a vessel which is close-hauled on the starboard tack.
- (c.) When both are running free, with the wind on different sides, the vessel which has the wind on the port side shall keep out of the way of the other.
- (d.) When both are running free, with the wind on the same side, the vessel which is to windward shall keep out of the way of the vessel which is to leeward.
- (e.) A vessel which has the wind aft shall keep out of the way of the other vessel.

Art. 18. When two steam-vessels are meeting end-on or nearly end-on, so as to involve risk of collision, each shall alter her course to starboard, so that each may pass on the port side of the other.

This article only applies to cases where vessels are meeting end-on or nearly end-on, in such a manner as to involve risk of collision, and does not apply to two vessels which must, if both keep on their respective courses, pass clear of each other.

The only cases to which it does apply are when each of the two vessels is end-on or nearly end-on to the other—in other words, to cases in which, by day, each vessel sees the masts of the other in a line or nearly in a line with her own, and, by night, to cases in which each vessel is in such a position as to see both the side-lights of the other.

It does not apply, by day, to cases in which a vessel sees another ahead crossing her own course; or, by night, to cases where the red light of one vessel is opposed to the red light of the other, or where the green light of one vessel is opposed to the green light of the other, or where a red light without a green light or a green light without a red light is seen ahead, or where both green and red lights are seen anywhere but ahead.

Art. 19. When two steam-vessels are crossing so as to involve risk of collision, the vessel which has the other on her own starboard side shall keep out of the way of the other.

Art. 20. When a steam-vessel and a sailing-vessel are proceeding in such directions as to involve risk of collision, the steam-vessel shall keep out of the way of the sailing-vessel.

Art. 21. Where by any of these rules one of two vessels is to keep out of the way, the other shall keep her course and speed.

Note.—When, in consequence of thick weather or other causes, such vessel finds herself so close that collision cannot be avoided by the action of the giving-way vessel alone, she also shall take such action as will best aid to avert collision. (See Articles 27 and 29.)

Art. 22. Every vessel which is directed by these rules to keep out of the way of another vessel shall, if the circumstances of the case admit, avoid crossing ahead of the other.

Art. 23. Every steam-vessel which is directed by these rules to keep out of the way of another vessel shall, on approaching her, if necessary, slacken her speed or stop or reverse.

Art. 24. Notwithstanding anything contained in these rules, every vessel overtaking any other shall keep out of the way of the overtaken vessel.

Every vessel coming up with another vessel from any direction more than two points abaft her beam—i.e., in

* This article will deal with regulations affecting fishing-boats, and will be the subject of another Order, which will be submitted to Her Majesty for approval at a later date.

† In all cases where the rules require a bell to be used a drum may be substituted on board Turkish vessels, or a gong where such articles are used on board small sea-going vessels.

such a position with reference to the vessel which she is overtaking that at night she would be unable to see either of that vessel's side-lights—shall be deemed to be an overtaking vessel; and no subsequent alteration of the bearing between the two vessels shall make the overtaking vessel a crossing vessel within the meaning of these rules, or relieve her of the duty of keeping clear of the overtaken vessel until she is finally past and clear.

As by day the overtaking vessel cannot always know with certainty whether she is forward of or abaft this direction from the other vessel she should, if in doubt, assume that she is an overtaking vessel, and keep out of the way.

Art. 25. In narrow channels every steam-vessel shall, when it is safe and practicable, keep to that side of the fairway or mid-channel which lies on the starboard side of such vessel.

Art. 26. Sailing-vessels under way shall keep out of the way of sailing-vessels or boats fishing with nets or lines or trawls. This rule shall not give to any vessel or boat engaged in fishing the right of obstructing a fairway used by vessels other than fishing-vessels or boats.

Art. 27. In obeying and construing these rules, due regard shall be had to all dangers of navigation and collision, and to any special circumstances which may render a departure from the above rules necessary in order to avoid immediate danger.

Sound-signals for Vessels in Sight of One Another.

Art. 28. The words "short blast" used in this article shall mean a blast of about one second's duration.

When vessels are in sight of one another, a steam-vessel under way, in taking any course authorised or required by these rules, shall indicate that course by the following signals on her whistle or siren, viz. :—

One short blast to mean, "I am directing my course to starboard."

Two short blasts to mean, "I am directing my course to port."

Three short blasts to mean, "My engines are going full speed astern."

No Vessel under any Circumstances to neglect Proper Precautions.

Art. 29. Nothing in these rules shall exonerate any vessel, or the owner or master or crew thereof, from the consequences of any neglect to carry lights or signals, or of any neglect to keep a proper look-out, or of the neglect of any precaution which may be required by the ordinary practice of seamen, or by the special circumstances of the case.

Reservation of Rules for Harbours and Inland Navigation.

Art. 30. Nothing in these rules shall interfere with the operation of a special rule, duly made by local authority, relative to the navigation of any harbour, river, or inland waters.

SCHEDULE II.

Distress Signals.

Art. 31. When a vessel is in distress and requires assistance from other vessels or from the shore, the following shall be the signals to be used or displayed by her, either together or separately, viz. :—

In the daytime,—

1. A gun or other explosive signal fired at intervals of about a minute.

2. The International Code signal of distress indicated by N C.

3. The distant signal, consisting of a square flag, having either above or below it a ball or anything resembling a ball.

4. A continuous sounding with any fog-signal apparatus.

At night—

1. A gun or other explosive signal fired at intervals of about a minute.

2. Flames on the vessel (as from a burning tar-barrel, oil-barrel, &c.).

3. Rockets or shells, throwing stars of any colour or description, fired one at a time, at short intervals.

4. A continuous sounding with any fog-signal apparatus.

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.

Easter Holidays.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Wellington, 31st March, 1897.

IT is hereby notified for general information that Friday the 16th, Saturday the 17th, and Monday the 19th of April will be observed as holidays in the public offices of the Government of New Zealand.

By order.

HUGH POLLEN,
Under-Secretary.

Officiating Ministers for 1897.—Notice No. 6.

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

NOTICE has been received from the ecclesiastical head of the Primitive Methodist Connexion that

The Rev. WILLIAM C. WOODWARD

has ceased to be an Officiating Minister in connection with that religious body. His name has therefore been withdrawn from the List of Officiating Ministers under "The Marriage Act, 1880," for the year 1897.

E. J. VON DADELSZEN,
Registrar-General.

Officiating Ministers for 1897.—Notice No. 7.

Registrar-General's Office,
Wellington, 31st March, 1897.

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

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

The Reverend Edward Hayter Cox.

Presbyterian Church of Otago and Southland.

The Reverend Philadelphus Bain Fraser, M.A.

E. J. VON DADELSZEN,
Registrar-General.

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

To the owner or owners of a parcel of land, containing by admeasurement 12 poles, more or less, situated in the extension of the Township of St. Andrew's, being Allotment 22, Block I., on plan of subdivision of part of Section 20, Block VI., Town District, having a frontage to Peter Street of 75 links by a depth of 102 links. The last-known owner was Mrs. Catherine Robinson, maiden name Kate Horrigan, who died in 1874, and to whose family there is no clue.

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

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

Dated this 23rd day of March, 1897.

JAMES C. MARTIN,
Public Trustee.

Officers appointed.

Post and Telegraph Department,
General Post Office, Wellington, 22nd March, 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.
Brown, Josephine Mary ..	Assistant	Paeroa	2 Jan., 1897.
Hall, Walter William Jabez	Cadet	Motueka	1 June, 1896.
Luckie, Agnes Annie ..	Supervisor, Telephone Exchange	Wellington	15 Sept., "
Millar, Mary Downie ..	Cadette, Telephone Exchange	Dunedin	1 Mar., 1894.
Slyfield, Harold Lincoln ..	Cadet	Dunedin T.O.	7 Feb., 1895.
Taylor, Sidney John ..	Letter-carrier	Dunedin	1 June, 1896.

NON-PERMANENT.

Name.	Office.	District.	Date.
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POSTMASTERS.

Bethune, John Anderson ..	Rukumoana	Wanganui	16 Jan., 1897.
Crène, Percy	Ahipara	Auckland	15 Feb., "
Currie, Thomas	Uruwai	Wellington	1 Feb., "
Curtis, John	Kaiwaka	Auckland	1 Feb., "
Eriksen, Adolphus Martin ..	Tiriraukawa	Wanganui	1 Dec., 1896.
Essex, William Henry	Marumaru	Napier	1 Jan., 1897.
Falkner, Alfred	Kaiparoro	Wellington	4 Feb., "
Harvey, John	Pine Island	Auckland	1 Feb., "
Heaps, Benjamin	Hautere Cross	Wellington	1 Mar., "
Jackman, William Heathcote	Whakapirau	Auckland	1 Jan., "
Neil, Lydia	Merino Downs	Dunedin	1 Jan., "
Nelson, James	Marowhenua	Oamaru	1 Jan., "
Nicholson, Jane	Mokotua	Invercargill	1 Jan., "
Quinn, Elizabeth Conway ..	Upper Waiwera	Auckland	1 Jan., "
Rumbal, Daniel	Waipipi	Auckland	1 Jan., "
Shand, Thomas Gray	Limehills	Invercargill	1 Jan., "
Thornton, Percy Garth	Clive	Napier	15 Feb., "
Winkelmann, Charles Peter*	Whirinaki	Auckland	18 Feb., "

POSTMASTERS AND TELEPHONISTS.

Cook, William Oscar	Johnsonville	Wellington	1 Feb., 1897.
Hart, Henry	Koromiko	Blenheim	1 Jan., "
Johnson, Mary Ann	Plimmerton	Wellington	28 Jan., "
Lindsay, John Tindal	Mangatoki	Wanganui	18 Jan., "
Rogers, Charles	Matata	Thames	21 Jan., "
Trask, Ada Emily	Hyde	Dunedin	15 Jan., "

TELEPHONISTS.

Blanchard, Alfred*	The Forks	Hokitika	21 Dec., 1896.
Bridgeman, Mary Frances*	Okarito	Hokitika	21 Dec., "
Chadwick, John*	Maharahara	Napier	29 Jan., 1897.
Curtis, John*	Kaiwaka	Auckland	1 Feb., "
Gunn, Alexander*	Wataroa	Hokitika	21 Dec., 1896.
Milne, John*	Ngaturi	Wellington	21 Jan., 1897.
Murphy, Thomas*	Ballance	Wellington	23 Jan., "
Redwood, Wilfred Henry ..	Flaxbourne	Blenheim	1 Jan., "
Sinclair, James*	Mangahao	Wellington	23 Jan., "
Tucker, Ernest Edward* ..	Makuri	Wellington	21 Jan., "
Winkelmann, Charles Peter	Whirinaki	Auckland	8 Feb., "

* Now Postmaster and telephonist.

Offices opened and closed; Designations changed and corrected.

Post and Telegraph Department,
General Post Office, Wellington, 22nd March, 1897.

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

W. C. WALKER,

For Postmaster-General and Electric Telegraph Commissioner.

Name.	District.	Date.
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POST-OFFICES OPENED.

Kaiparoro	Wellington	4 February, 1897.
Merino Downs	Dunedin	1 January, "
Rukumoana	Wanganui	16 January, "
Tiriraukawa	"	1 December, 1896.
Uruwai	Wellington	1 February, 1897.

POST-OFFICE CLOSED.

Pukekararo	Auckland	18 January, 1897.
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MONEY-ORDER OFFICE AND POST-OFFICE SAVINGS-BANK OPENED.

Hornby	Christchurch	24 February, 1897.
Kaihu	Auckland	16 March, "
Kaiwaka	"	16 March, "

Name.	District.	Date.
POST-OFFICE SAVINGS-BANK OPENED.		
Puerua*	Dunedin	24 February, 1897.
POSTAL-NOTE OFFICES OPENED.		
Ashley-Clinton	Napier	8 February, 1897.
Manapouri	Invercargill	8 February, "

* Now money-order office and Post-office Savings-bank.

TELEPHONE-OFFICES OPENED.		
Office.	District.	Date.
Waikino*	Thames	1 March, 1897.
Waipapakauri†	Auckland	26 February, 1897.
Whirinaki†	"	8 February, "

* Now post and telephone (combined). † No post-office. ‡ Reopened; again post-office and telephone (separate). Combined from 18th February.

DESIGNATIONS.

Description.	Office.		District.	Date.
	From	To		
CHANGED.				
Post, telegraph, and money-order office; savings-bank; railway office	Waitaki	Glenavy	Timaru	1 March, 1897.
Post-office	Waitaki South	Waitaki	Oamaru	1 March, "
CORRECTED.				
Post-office	Porooterau	Pororo-Tarao	Auckland	1 April, 1897.

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.

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

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

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

JOHN D. RITCHIE,
Chief Inspector of Stock.

Crown Lands Notices.

Rural Lands, Southland, open for Selection.

District Lands and Survey Office,
Invercargill, 20th March, 1897.

THE under-mentioned Crown lands will be open for selection, in terms of sections 121 and 136 of "The Land Act, 1892," for lease in perpetuity, on and after Thursday, the 13th May, 1897.

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

SCHEDULE.

SOUTHLAND LAND DISTRICT.—SOUTHLAND COUNTY.—NOKOMAI SURVEY DISTRICT.

First-class Land.

Section.	Block.	Area.	Lease in Perpetuity: Rent, 4 per Cent.			
			Rent per Acre.		Half-yearly Rent.	
		A. R. P.	s. d.	£ s. d.		
8	III.	356 0 0	0 10 8	8 0 2		
9	"	213 0 0	1 0	5 6 6		
10	"	147 0 0	1 2 4	4 8 2		
11	"	164 0 0	1 2 4	4 18 5		
12	"	89 0 0	1 4 8	3 2 4		
10	IV.	48 0 0	1 2 4	1 8 10		

Sections 8 and 9, Block III., undulating; Sections 10, 11, and 12, Block III., and 10, Block IV., level; soil good, but poorly watered; height above sea-level, from 900 ft. to 1,500 ft.; distance from Athol, from half a mile to three miles.

D. BARRON,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Pastoral Runs in the Nokomai District, Southland, to be offered for Lease by Public Auction.

District Lands and Survey Office,
Invercargill, 10th March, 1897.

NOTICE is hereby given that leases of the under-mentioned pastoral lands will be submitted to public auction, on Thursday, the 13th day of May, 1897, at the District Lands and Survey Office, Invercargill, at 11 a.m.

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

County.	Run No.	Survey District.	Area.	Upset Rental.	Term.
Lake & Southl'd	523	Nokomai	Acres. 1,001	£ s. d. 16 13 8	10 years.
"	524	"	990	16 10 0	10 years.

Land hilly. Vegetation, silver-tussock, fern, and native grasses. Height above sea-level, 850 ft. to 1,500 ft. Distance from Athol, about two miles.

Possession will be given on the day of sale. 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.

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, 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.

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

Crown Land Office,
Dunedin, 9th March, 1897.

NOTICE is hereby given that the under-mentioned small grazing-runs will be open for lease on application at the District Land Office, Dunedin, on and after Wednesday, the 14th April, 1897, at the 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.

SCHEDULE.

OTAGO LAND DISTRICT.—WAIHEMO COUNTY.—MOERAKI SURVEY DISTRICT.

First-class Pastoral Country.

Section.	Block.	Area.	Half-yearly Rental.	Term.
		A. R. P.	£ s. d.	
79 and 81	VIII.	1,708 2 27	95 4 5	21 years.
Open pastoral land, easy rolling hills, containing about 300 acres of agricultural land; soil good; well watered. Situated about three-quarters of a mile from Dunback Railway-station, by dray-road. Improvements at present on the section, 430 chains of post-and-wire fencing. Altitude, 1,500 ft.				
78	VIII.	744 1 0	41 9 6	21 years.
28	XII.			
19	XIV.			
Open land, of limestone formation, undulating to hilly; about 100 acres agricultural, remainder pastoral; soil good, well watered. Situated about one mile from Dunback Railway-station, by dray-road. Improvements at present on the section, 420 chains post-and-wire fencing.				

J. P. MITTLAND,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Reserves in Wellington Land District for Lease by Public Auction.

District Lands and Survey Office,
Wellington, 23rd February, 1897.

THE under-mentioned reserves will be offered for lease by public auction at Palmerston North on Wednesday, the 12th May, 1897:—

Section.	Block.	Locality.	Area.	Upset Annual Rent.	Term of Lease.
51	VII.	Mount Robinson S.D.	A. R. P. 9 1 0	£ s. d. 5 15 8	14 years.
192 and 193	..	Linton Township	1 3 1½	1 0 0	7 years.
1260	..	Bunnythorpe	1 0 24	0 10 0	Year to year.
1357, 1359	..	"	1 0 0	0 12 0	7 years.

Terms of Sale.

A deposit of a half-year's rent and £1 ls. lease-fee must be paid on the fall of the hammer. No allowance whatsoever shall be payable on account of improvements effected by the lessees.

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

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

Rural Lands in Auckland District open for Sale or Selection.

District Lands and Survey Office, Auckland, 22nd February, 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 21st April, 1897.

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

SCHEDULE.

County.	District.	Section.	Block.	Area.	Cash Price.		Occupation with Right of Purchase: Rent, 5 per Cent.		Lease in Perpetuity: Rent, 4 per Cent.	
					Per Acre.	Total Price.	Rent per Acre.	Half-yearly Rent.	Rent per Acre.	Half-yearly Rent.

FIRST-CLASS LAND.

		A.	R.	P.	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	s.	d.
Whakatane	Waiotahi*..	307	..	..	5	1 6	40 0	10 0 0	2 0	0 5 0	1 7	0 4 0	..	..	..	..

Undulating fern land; on the Ohiwa Harbour.

SECOND-CLASS LAND.

Hokianga..	Whangape..	5	VII.	50	0 0	10 0	25 0 0	0 6	0 12 6	0 4 8	0 10 0	..	..	..	..	..
" ..	" ..	6	"	50	0 0	20 0	50 0 0	1 0	1 5 0	0 9 6	1 0 0	..	..	..	..	..
" ..	" ..	38	"	42	1 0	12 6	26 5 0	0 7 5	0 13 6	0 6	0 10 6	..	..	..	..	..
" ..	" ..	40	"	50	0 0	10 0	25 0 0	0 6	0 12 6	0 4 8	0 10 0	..	..	..	..	..
" ..	" ..	42	"	47	0 0	7 6	17 12 6	0 4 5	0 8 10	0 3 6	0 7 1	..	..	..	..	..
" ..	" ..	66	"	49	0 0	10 0	24 10 0	0 6	0 12 3	0 4 8	0 9 10	..	..	..	..	..
" ..	" ..	67	"	50	0 0	7 6	18 15 0	0 4 5	0 9 5	0 3 6	0 7 6	..	..	..	..	..

Sections 5 and 6, forest land of good quality, partly improved. Section 38, open fern and tea-tree land. Sections 40, 42, 66, 67, forest land of good quality. Situated from one to three miles from Herekino Post-office.

Hokianga..	Waoku ..	34	I.	214	0 0	10 0	107 0 0	0 6	2 13 6	0 4 8	2 2 10
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Undulating land, open, and forest of fair quality. Six miles from Rawene.

Mangonui..	Whangape	17	VII.	45	2 0	10 0	23 0 0	0 6	0 11 6	0 4 8	0 9 3
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Half open, half forest land of fair quality. Three miles and a half from Herekino.

Bay of Isl'ds	Motatau ..	24	VIII.	180	0 15	7 6	67 10 0	0 4 5	1 13 9	0 3 6	1 7 0
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Open, undulating land; fair soil. About three miles from Towai Post-office.

Hokianga..	Whangape	12	II.	60	0 0	10 0	30 0 0	0 6	0 15 0	0 4 8	0 12 0
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Undulating forest land of good quality.

Hokianga..	Herekino ..	5	III.	50	0 0	10 0	25 0 0	0 6	0 12 6	0 4 8	0 10 0
" ..	" ..	7	"	42	2 16	10 0	21 10 0	0 6	0 10 9	0 4 8	0 8 8	..	..	..	..	..
" ..	" ..	8	"	50	0 0	10 0	25 0 0	0 6	0 12 6	0 4 8	0 10 0	..	..	..	..	..
" ..	" ..	9	"	50	0 0	10 0	25 0 0	0 6	0 12 6	0 4 8	0 10 0	..	..	..	..	..
" ..	" ..	11A	"	40	0 0	10 0	20 0 0	0 6	0 10 0	0 4 8	0 8 0	..	..	..	..	..
" ..	Whangape..	10	IX.	50	0 0	17 0	42 10 0	0 10 2	1 1 3	0 8 16	0 17 0	..	..	..	..	..
" ..	" ..	19	"	50	0 0	17 6	43 15 0	0 10 5	1 1 10	0 8 4	0 17 6	..	..	..	..	..
" ..	" ..	20	"	50	0 0	10 0	25 0 0	0 6	0 12 6	0 4 8	0 10 0	..	..	..	..	..
" ..	" ..	21	"	50	0 0	11 6	28 15 0	0 6 9	0 14 5	0 5 52	0 11 6	..	..	..	..	..

Sections 5 to 11A, Block III., open and forest lands of good quality, fronting the Ahipara-Whangape Road; about two miles from Herekino Post-office. Sections 10 to 21, Block IX., undulating to broken forest lands of good quality partly improved; about three miles from Herekino Post-office.

Hokianga..	Waoku ..	32	I.	257	3 0	10 0	129 0 0	0 6	3 4 6	0 4 8	2 11 8
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Nearly all forest, rather broken land. Six miles from Rawene.

Tauranga..	Te Puna* ..	29	..	162	0 0	7 6	60 15 0	0 4 5	1 10 5	0 3 6	1 4 4
" ..	" ..	30	..	72	0 0	7 6	27 0 0	0 4 5	0 13 6	0 3 6	0 10 10	..	..	..	..	..
" ..	" ..	31	..	200	0 0	7 6	75 0 0	0 4 5	1 17 6	0 3 6	1 10 0	..	..	..	..	..
" ..	" ..	35	..	108	0 0	7 6	40 10 0	0 4 5	1 0 3	0 3 6	0 16 3	..	..	..	..	..

Broken land of fair quality; all open except 5 acres bush on Section 35. Situate eight miles from Tauranga.

Waikato ..	Komakorau*	234	..	42	1 2	30 0	63 7 6	1 6	1 11 9	1 2 4	1 5 4
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Two-thirds kahikatea swamp. Situated two miles from Ngaruwahia.

Waikato ..	Koheroa*	162	..	354	2 0	5 0	88 15 0	0 3	2 4 5	0 2 4	1 15 6
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About 15 acres swamp, balance fern and tea-tree. About eleven miles from Mercer.

Whakatane	Waiotahi*	97	..	41	2 0	20 0	42 0 0	1 0	1 1 0	0 9 6	0 16 10
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Fern land, broken, with a patch of forest; well watered, and adjoining Ohiwa Harbour.

Whakatane	Matata*	145	..	500	0 0	7 0	175 0 0	0 4 2	4 7 6	0 3 36	3 10 0
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Swamp land on Tarawera River. Seven miles from Matata.

Whakatane	Rangitaiki*	82	..	500	0 0	17 6	437 10 0	0 10 5	10 18 9	0 8 36	8 15 0
" ..	" ..	63	..	500	0 0	5 6	187 10 0	0 3 3	4 13 9	0 2 64	3 15 0	..	..	..	..	..
" ..	" ..	77	..	500	0 0	16 0	400 0 0	0 9 5	10 0 0	0 7 68	8 0 0	..	..	..	..	..

All swamp lands in the North Island Land Association Settlement. About eleven miles from Whakatane.

Whakatane	Matata*	142	..	246	0 0	7 0	86 2 0	0 4 2	2 3 1	0 3 36	1 14 6
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Swamp land; about eight miles from Matata.

Whakatane	Waiocoka* ..	359	..	411	1 10	7 6	154 2 6	0 4 5	3 17 1	0 3 6	3 1 8
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About 140 acres forest, 25 acres swamp, balance fern land and broken; soil of good quality. Seven miles from Opotiki.

Whakatane	Waimana*	181, 182	..	154	0 0	10 0	77 0 0	0 6	1 18 6	0 4 8	1 10 10
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Half open and half forest, with some grassing; bounded by Nukuhou and Whaingaroa Rivers. About two miles from head of Ohiwa Harbour.

* Parish.

GERHARD MUELLER,
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.	£ s. d. 1,110 9 9

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

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

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

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

SIDNEY WEETMAN,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

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

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

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

SCHEDULE.

TOWNSHIP OF WAIMATE.

Formerly Reserve No. 391.

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

Terms of Sale.

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

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

SIDNEY WEETMAN,
Commissioner of Crown Lands

Reserve in Canterbury for Lease.

District Lands and Survey Office,
Christchurch, 25th February, 1897.

IT is hereby notified that the under-mentioned reserve will be offered for lease by public auction at this office on Wednesday, the 21st April, 1897, at 11 a.m.:

Reserve 1264A, Block VIII., Burke Survey District, Mackenzie County: 14 acres 3 roods 3 perches; upset rental, £6 per annum; term, seven years.

This section is known as the Police Reserve at Burke's Pass, and comprises well-grassed land of good quality, and well sheltered by plantations on the west and south-west sides. A strip of plantation 60 links wide, on the west side of reserve, is excluded from lease.

A deposit of a half-year's rent, and £1 ls. lease-fee, must be paid on the fall of the hammer.

No allowance whatsoever shall be payable on account of any improvements effected by the lessee.

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

SIDNEY WEETMAN,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Pastoral Run, Southland, liable to Forfeiture.

District Lands and Survey Office,
Invercargill, 17th February, 1897.

PURSUANT to section 188 of "The Land Act, 1885," notice is hereby given to the following person that the under-mentioned pastoral license is liable to forfeiture, and that if the rent overdue thereon be not paid within three months from date hereof the license will be declared forfeited.

License No.	Run No.	County.	Licensee.	Land Act.
127	492	Fiord ..	James Maben..	1885.

D. BARRON,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Reserve in Auckland for Lease by Public Auction.

District Lands and Survey Office,
Auckland, 17th February, 1897.

IT is hereby notified that the under-mentioned reserve in the Suburbs of Mercer will be offered for lease by public auction, at this office, on Wednesday, the 14th April, 1897.

AUCKLAND LAND DISTRICT.

Section No. 8: 4 acres 2 roods 20 perches, Suburbs of Mercer; term, seven years; upset rental, £1 per annum.

Terms of Sale.

A deposit of a half-year's rent and £1 ls. lease-fee must be paid on the fall of the hammer.

No allowance whatsoever shall be payable on account of improvements effected by the lessee.

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

GERHARD MUELLER,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Pastoral Runs, Nelson, open for Lease on Application.

Lands and Survey Office,
Nelson, 8th March, 1897.

IN accordance with section 197 of "The Land Act, 1892," I hereby give notice that the under-mentioned pastoral runs, having been submitted to public auction and not sold, will be open for application as under on and after the 21st day of April, 1897.

Run No. 13 (Class I.), Skiddaw and Mytholm Survey Districts: Area, 45,500 acres; term, 21 years; rent, £60 per annum. This run is situated on the southern side of the range 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 4,000 ft. Distance from Culverden, about twenty miles.

Run No. 14 (Hoosack) (Class I.), Percival, Waiau, Lyndon, and Terako Survey Districts: Area, about 37,500 acres; term, 21 years; rent, £200 per annum. Open broken country, well watered. Average altitude, from 3,000 ft. to 4,000 ft. above sea-level. Situated about five miles from Hanmer Plains. This run was formerly occupied as part of the Lyndon Run. Improvements on this run are estimated at over £900, being about twenty-five miles of fencing, and yards, huts, &c., which are thrown in with the lease. Boundaries subject to survey. Formerly held by John Tinline and Messrs. Macfarlane.

Run No. 15 (Cloudy Range) (Class I.), Terako Survey District: Area, about 23,400 acres; term, 21 years; rent, £120 per annum. Chiefly open broken country, well watered, with some patches of manuka scrub. Average altitude, about 3,000 ft. above sea-level. Situated between the Rivers

Conway and Clarence, and adjoining the Highfield Estate. Distant about twenty miles from Waiau, by the Kaikoura Road. This run has been worked in conjunction with the Highfield Station. This run is weighted with £750, valuation for improvements, consisting of woolshed, four-roomed cottage, men's quarters, sheep-dip, orchard, and fencing, to be paid by the incoming tenant. Boundaries subject to survey. Formerly held by Wharton and Co.

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 date of the granting of the application.

Purchasers must deposit with their application 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 in the case of Run No. 15.

T. HUMPHRIES,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Sale of Education Reserves, New Plymouth.

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

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

SCHEDULE.

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

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

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

JOHN STRAUCHON,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Lease of Harbour Reserve, Castlepoint.

District Lands and Survey Office,
Wellington, 5th February, 1897.

IT is hereby notified, in terms of "The Public Reserves Act, 1881," that tenders for the lease of the under-mentioned section, with the buildings thereon, will be received at this office up to 4.30 o'clock p.m. on Wednesday, the 21st day of April, 1897. The term of the lease will be five years. No allowance whatsoever will be payable on account of improvements effected by the lessee. A deposit of a half-year's rent at the rate tendered, and £1 1s. lease-fee, must be enclosed with each tender.

Section 852, Block X., Castlepoint Survey District: Area, 68 acres.

A plan and conditions of lease can be seen at the Post-office, Castlepoint, and also at this office, where full particulars can be obtained. The highest or any tender will not necessarily be accepted.

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

Kauri Timber, Auckland, for Sale.

Lands and Survey Office,
Auckland, 22nd March, 1897.

NOTICE is hereby given that the under-mentioned clumps of kauri timber standing upon Crown land in Blocks XIII. and XIV., Kaeo Survey District, in the Hokianga and Bay of Islands Counties, about eight miles above the booms in Waihou River, Hokianga, will be offered for sale by public auction, at this office, on Friday, the 7th May, 1897, at 11 a.m.:

Clump A: 70 kauri-trees, containing about 200,000 sup. ft.; upset price, £100.

Clump B: 356 kauri-trees, containing about 725,000 sup. ft.; upset price, £362 10s.

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

GERHARD MUELLER,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Kauri Timber, Auckland, for Sale.

Lands and Survey Office,
Auckland, 22nd March, 1897.

NOTICE is hereby given that the green and dry timber as below, and situated in Block XVI., Hukerenui, and Block XI., Opuawhanga Survey Districts, Whangarei County, will be offered for sale by public auction, at this office, on Friday, the 7th May, 1897, at 11 o'clock a.m.:

365 dead kauri-trees, containing about 1,202,259 sup. ft.; 98 green kauri-trees, containing about 365,873 sup. ft.; upset price, £784.

Timber is about two miles and a half from Hikurangi Railway-station, to which there is a fair road, and haulage easy.

Conditions of Sale.—One-half the purchase-money to be paid on the fall of the hammer, the balance within six months. Timber to be removed within two years from date of sale.

GERHARD MUELLER,
Commissioner of Crown Lands.

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

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

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

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

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

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

Mr. H. Martin, of Palmerston North, holds a lease of Section 1086 for twenty-one years from the 18th August, 1890. The annual rent payable under the lease is £4 4s. for the first seven years of the term, £5 5s. for the next seven years, and £6 6s. for the remaining seven years. This section is therefore offered subject to his lease, a copy of which may be inspected by intending purchasers.

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

Native Land Court Notices.

Notice of Exhibition of Plan of the Tokaanu Native Township.

Native Land Court Office,
Auckland, 25th March, 1897.

NOTICE is hereby given that the plan of the Township of Tokaanu is at present, and will be, on exhibition at the Post-office at Tokaanu until the 18th day of May, 1897.

Any Native owner objecting to the sufficiency, size, or situation of the reserves or Native allotments, as shown on the said plan, must lodge objections with the Chief Judge of the Native Land Court, at Wellington, on or before the 18th day of May, 1897.

JAS. W. BROWNE, Registrar.

"The Native Land Court Act, 1894."

Native Land Court Office, Auckland, 20th March, 1897.

NOTICE is hereby given that the sitting of the Native Land Court which was notified to be held at Paeroa, Ohinemuri, on the 29th day of March, 1897, has been adjourned to the 8th day of April, 1897.

[Auckland, 97-20.]

JAS. W. BROWNE, Registrar.

"The Native Land Court Act, 1894."

Registrar's Office, Auckland, 23rd March, 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 Tapuaeharuru, Taupo, on the 13th day of April, 1897, or as soon thereafter as the business of the Court will allow.

JAS. W. BROWNE, Registrar.

[Auckland, 97-21.]

SCHEDULE.
 APPLICATIONS FOR PARTITION.

No.	Name of Applicant.	Name of Land.
1582	Poihipi Rutene, Ngamihi Wikitoria, Mere Papuha, Mihipeka Ihaka, Mihi Korama Tuhe, Mokopuna Tahu, and others (186-1, 2/103)	Tapuaeharuru Repo.
1593	Matene Paora, Aniku Maiterangi, Wano Taungakore, Heni Ngamotu, and Para Puororangi (133-54, 2/112)	Pohokura No. 7.

APPLICATIONS TO DETERMINE RELATIVE INTERESTS.

No.	Name of Applicant.	Name of Land.
1667	Iharaira te Puke, Te Oti te Puke, Ihaka te Puke, Ihakara Kahua, Te Popoki te Kurupae, Rangiua Tahere, and Ihipera Rangipedia Hemi (46-17, 2/100)	Rangatira No. 4.
1668	Iharaira te Puke, Te Oti te Puke, Ihaka te Puke, Ihakara Kahua, Te Popoki te Kurupae, Rangiua Tahere, and Ihipera Rangipedia Hemi (46-18, 2/101)	Rangatira No. 1.
1669	Iharaira te Puke, Te Oti te Puke, Ihaka te Puke, Ihakara Kahua, Te Popoki te Kurupae, Rangiua Tahere, and Ihipera Rangipedia Hemi (46-19, 2/102)	Rangatira No. 8b.
1670	Ihakara Kahua, Mihaka Karepa, Iharaira te Puke, Te Keepa te Mahia, Hape Tahere, Teoti te Puke, Ihaka te Puke, Rapata te Waha, Te Tua te Heheu, Poihipi Rutene, Wiremu Tanihi, Kereama te Heheu, Hori te Hina, Puhirere Komero, and others (43-6, 2/108)	Te Tatu East.
1671	Ihakara Kahua, Mihaka Karepa, Iharaira te Puke, Te Keepa te Mahia, Hape Tahere, Teoti te Puke, Ihaka te Puke, Rapata te Waha, Te Tua te Heheu, Poihipi Rutene, Wiremu Tanihi, Kereama te Heheu, Hori te Hina, Puhirere Komero, and others (65-4, 2/109)	Otuhounga.
1672	Ihakara Kahua, Iharaira te Puke, Mihaka Karepa, Teoti te Puke, Ihaka te Puke, Hape Tahere, Keepa te Mahia, Poihipi Rutene, Rapata te Waha, Te Tua te Heheu, Wiremu Tanihi, Kereama te Heheu, Hori te Hina, Puhirere Tukuha, and others (44-3, 2/110)	Pakuri.
1673	Ihakara Kahua, Iharaira te Puke, Mihaka Karepa, Teoti te Puke, Ihaka te Puke, Hape Tahere, Keepa te Mahia, Poihipi Rutene, Rapata te Waha, Te Tua te Heheu, Wiremu Tanihi, Kereama te Heheu, Hori te Hina, Puhirere Tukuha, and others (188-1, 2/111)	Kiwitahi.

"The Native Land Court Act, 1894."

Registrar's Office, Auckland, 23rd March, 1897.
 NOTICE is hereby given that the matter mentioned in the Schedule hereunder written will be heard by the Native Land Court sitting at Shortland, Thames, on the 5th day of April, 1897, or as soon thereafter as the business of the Court will allow.

JAS. W. BROWNE, Registrar.

[Auckland, 97-22.]

SCHEDULE.
 APPLICATION FOR CONFIRMATION OF ALIENATION.

No.	Nature of Alienation.	Date.	Name of Land.	Names of Parties.
142	Transfer (C.A. 97-22) ..	3rd November, 1894 ..	Tarawhete No. 2 ..	Kapihana te Tuhi, Hohepa Mataitaua, Henare Tutere (by his trustee Hohepa Mataitaua), Peneamene te Kawhena, Te Kiwi Watene, Taiwi te Taniwha, Te Paea Tukitepo (by her trustee Taiwi te Taniwha), to Edward Fauconer Tizard.

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

Registrar's Office, Wellington, 31st March, 1897.
 NOTICE is hereby given that an application has been made to a Judge 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 in the *New Zealand Gazette*.

EDWARD BUCKLE, Registrar.

[Sec. 55, 97-4.]

SCHEDULE.
 THE ALIENATION ABOVE REFERRED TO.

No.	Nature of Alienation.	Date.	Name of Land.	Names of Parties.
1	Transfer (97-34) ..	22nd February, 1897 ..	Otamakapua No. 1N, part of	Hamuera Waikari to Elizabeth Hilda Marshall.

Traffic Returns.

NEW ZEALAND RAILWAYS.—Traffic Returns for the four weeks ending 27th February, 1897, and for the corresponding four weeks, 1896.

KAWAKAWA SECTION.

	1897.			1896.		
	S.	R.	Total.	S.	R.	Total.
PASSENGERS,—						
1st Class	47	66	113	65	68	133
2nd Class	198	308	506	200	212	412
Total	245	374	619	265	280	545
Season Tickets	..	..	0	..	..	0
PARCELS, ETC.,—			No.			No.
Parcels	..	..	92	..	..	108
Horses	..	..	..	..	..	5
Carriages	..	..	1	..	..	1
Dogs	..	..	..	..	..	1
Total	..	..	93	..	..	115
Goods,—			No.			No.
Drays	..	..	..	..	..	..
Cattle	..	..	..	..	..	..
Calves	..	..	1	..	..	..
Sheep	..	..	16	..	..	48
Pigs	..	..	..	..	..	..
Total	..	..	17	..	..	48
Chaff, Lime, &c.	..	..	Tons.	..	..	Tons.
Wool	..	..	..	..	..	..
Firewood	..	..	..	..	..	..
Timber	..	..	6	..	..	20
Grain	..	..	..	..	..	..
Merchandise	..	..	92	..	..	120
Minerals	..	..	583	..	..	1,137
Total	..	..	681	..	..	1,277
REVENUE,—			£ s. d.			£ s. d.
Passengers	..	..	40 7 10	..	..	29 12 9
Parcels, Luggage, & Mails	..	..	6 8 3	..	..	5 18 5
Goods	..	..	101 19 8	..	..	172 19 4
Miscellaneous	..	..	0 18 0	..	..	10 3 9
Rents and Commission	..	..	3 5 0	..	..	3 19 8
Total	..	..	£152 18 9	..	..	£222 13 11

WHANGAREI SECTION.

	1897.			1896.		
	S.	R.	Total.	S.	R.	Total.
PASSENGERS,—						
1st Class	392	..	392	405	..	405
2nd Class	4,677	..	4,677	2,882	..	2,882
Total	5,069	..	5,069	3,287	..	3,287
Season Tickets	..	..	5	..	..	0
PARCELS, ETC.,—			No.			No.
Parcels	..	..	..	..	..	..
Horses	..	..	..	..	..	..
Carriages	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dogs	..	..	..	..	..	..
Total	..	..	..	..	..	..
Goods,—			No.			No.
Drays	..	..	2	..	..	1
Cattle	..	..	16	..	..	11
Calves	..	..	1	..	..	1
Sheep	..	..	2	..	..	14
Pigs	..	..	13	..	..	..
Total	..	..	34	..	..	27
Chaff, Lime, &c.	..	..	Tons.	..	..	Tons.
Wool	..	..	..	..	..	1
Firewood	..	..	42	..	..	18
Timber	..	..	1,102	..	..	130
Grain	..	..	..	..	..	2
Merchandise	..	..	359	..	..	321
Minerals	..	..	3,079	..	..	3,499
Total	..	..	4,582	..	..	3,971
REVENUE,—			£ s. d.			£ s. d.
Passengers	..	..	145 9 1	..	..	58 3 2
Parcels, Luggage, & Mails	..	..	17 0 1	..	..	13 17 4
Goods	..	..	755 17 11	..	..	547 0 2
Miscellaneous	..	..	12 19 4	..	..	3 2 1
Rents and Commission	..	..	2 14 3	..	..	3 9 1
Total	..	..	£934 0 8	..	..	£625 11 10

KAIHU SECTION.

	1897.			1896.		
	S.	R.	Total.	S.	R.	Total.
PASSENGERS,—						
1st Class	21	152	173	19	130	149
2nd Class	244	2,450	2,694	240	2,434	2,674
Total	265	2,602	2,867	259	2,564	2,823
Season Tickets	..	..	0	..	..	0
PARCELS, ETC.,—			No.			No.
Parcels	..	..	103	..	..	145
Horses	..	..	..	..	..	1
Carriages	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dogs	..	..	9	..	..	10
Total	..	..	112	..	..	156
Goods,—			No.			No.
Drays	..	..	..	..	..	..
Cattle	..	..	..	..	..	..
Calves	..	..	..	..	..	..
Sheep	..	..	..	..	..	..
Pigs	..	..	..	..	..	..
Total	..	..	..	..	..	..
Chaff, Lime, &c.	..	..	Tons.	..	..	Tons.
Wool	..	..	..	..	..	6
Firewood	..	..	..	..	..	18
Timber	..	..	3,487	..	..	2,327
Grain	..	..	..	..	..	..
Merchandise	..	..	132	..	..	174
Minerals	..	..	57	..	..	51
Total	..	..	3,626	..	..	2,576
REVENUE,—			£ s. d.			£ s. d.
Passengers	..	..	180 10 7	..	..	127 19 2
Parcels, Luggage, & Mails	..	..	10 14 10	..	..	6 12 9
Goods	..	..	725 1 2	..	..	536 14 3
Miscellaneous	..	..	31 19 3	..	..	21 17 4
Rents and Commission	..	..	2 15 0	..	..	0 10 0
Total	..	..	£951 0 10	..	..	£698 13 6

AUCKLAND SECTION.

	1897.			1896.		
	S.	R.	Total.	S.	R.	Total.
PASSENGERS,—						
1st Class	1,834	3,950	5,784	1,696	3,732	5,428
2nd Class	8,568	23,244	31,812	7,451	21,864	29,315
Total	10,402	27,194	37,596	9,147	25,596	34,743
Season Tickets	..	..	735	..	..	530
PARCELS, ETC.,—			No.			No.
Parcels	..	..	5,391	..	..	4,800
Horses	..	..	53	..	..	32
Carriages	..	..	4	..	..	2
Dogs	..	..	161	..	..	160
Total	..	..	5,609	..	..	4,994
Goods,—			No.			No.
Drays	..	..	11	..	..	7
Cattle	..	..	648	..	..	633
Calves	..	..	66	..	..	243
Sheep	..	..	14,225	..	..	21,315
Pigs	..	..	62	..	..	243
Total	..	..	15,012	..	..	22,441
Chaff, Lime, &c.	..	..	Tons.	..	..	Tons.
Wool	..	..	666	..	..	786
Firewood	..	..	44	..	..	54
Timber	..	..	320	..	..	204
Grain	..	..	1,973	..	..	1,814
Merchandise	..	..	1,204	..	..	1,124
Minerals	..	..	2,586	..	..	2,913
Total	..	..	7,912	..	..	6,277
Total	..	..	14,705	..	..	13,172
REVENUE,—			£ s. d.			£ s. d.
Passengers	..	..	4,254 12 9	..	..	3,954 8 10
Parcels, Luggage, & Mails	..	..	525 4 0	..	..	410 4 3
Goods	..	..	6,743 5 8	..	..	6,630 4 4
Miscellaneous	..	..	40 0 4	..	..	103 9 0
Rents and Commission	..	..	170 10 3	..	..	100 14 2
Total	..	..	£11,733 13 0	..	..	£11,199 0 7

NAPIER-TARANAKI SECTION.

PASSENGERS,—	1897.			1896.				
	S.	R.	Total.	S.	R.	Total.		
1st Class	2,448	9,842	11,790	2,425	9,286	11,711		
2nd Class	9,847	42,136	51,983	10,492	42,972	53,464		
Total	12,295	51,478	63,773	12,917	52,258	65,175		
Season Tickets267	..	..	..288		
PARCELS, ETC.,—	No.	..	..	No.		
Parcels	6,213	..	..	5,937		
Horses	456	..	..	398		
Carriages	24	..	..	16		
Dogs	492	..	..	481		
Total	7,185	..	..	6,832		
GOODS,—	No.	..	..	No.		
Drays	21	..	..	8		
Cattle	482	..	..	579		
Calves	62	..	..	10		
Sheep	60,059	..	..	61,595		
Pigs	568	..	..	371		
Total	61,192	..	..	62,563		
Chaff, Lime, &c.	Tons.	..	..	Tons.		
Wool	138	..	..	186		
Firewood	544	..	..	794		
Timber	2,404	..	..	2,600		
Grain	3,736	..	..	3,585		
Merchandise	2,131	..	..	2,369		
Minerals	5,526	..	..	5,432		
Total	17,279	..	..	17,208		
REVENUE,—	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Passengers	7,914	7	8	7,874	17	7
Parcels, Luggage, & Mails	1,190	10	4	1,148	16	0
Goods	8,938	8	4	9,303	0	2
Miscellaneous	381	1	2	382	8	4
Rents and Commission	182	11	10	163	5	1
Total	£18,606	19	4	£18,872	7	2

WELLINGTON SECTION.

PASSENGERS,—	1897.			1896.				
	S.	R.	Total.	S.	R.	Total.		
1st Class	840	6,026	6,866	844	6,204	7,048		
2nd Class	4,026	23,586	27,612	3,963	29,418	33,381		
Total	4,866	29,612	34,478	4,807	35,622	40,429		
Season Tickets776	..	..	..637		
PARCELS, ETC.,—	No.	..	..	No.		
Parcels	5,150	..	..	4,710		
Horses	36	..	..	44		
Carriages	1		
Dogs	135	..	..	148		
Total	5,321	..	..	4,903		
GOODS,—	No.	..	..	No.		
Drays	10	..	..	4		
Cattle	197	..	..	185		
Calves	26		
Sheep	33,329	..	..	60,512		
Pigs	117	..	..	195		
Total	33,653	..	..	60,922		
Chaff, Lime, &c.	Tons.	..	..	Tons.		
Wool	258	..	..	480		
Firewood	370	..	..	622		
Timber	560	..	..	498		
Grain	2,096	..	..	1,645		
Merchandise	413	..	..	283		
Minerals	2,672	..	..	2,605		
Total	8,175	..	..	7,884		
REVENUE,—	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Passengers	2,683	10	2	2,889	19	10
Parcels, Luggage, & Mails	431	15	11	385	13	2
Goods	4,991	3	4	5,023	11	7
Miscellaneous	72	2	10	39	17	7
Rents and Commission	55	7	3	44	2	2
Total	£8,233	19	6	£8,383	4	4

HURUNUI-BLUFF SECTION.

PASSENGERS,—	1897.			1896.				
	S.	R.	Total.	S.	R.	Total.		
1st Class	6,197	29,524	35,721	5,475	29,438	34,913		
2nd Class	24,194	151,358	175,552	24,850	138,508	163,358		
Total	30,391	180,882	211,273	30,325	167,946	198,271		
Season Tickets2,030	..	..	..1,769		
PARCELS, ETC.,—	No.	..	..	No.		
Parcels	22,814	..	..	21,166		
Horses	384	..	..	460		
Carriages	41	..	..	46		
Dogs	737	..	..	878		
Total	23,976	..	..	22,550		
GOODS,—	No.	..	..	No.		
Drays	43	..	..	37		
Cattle	578	..	..	636		
Calves	41	..	..	55		
Sheep	122,658	..	..	118,043		
Pigs	1,665	..	..	4,895		
Total	124,985	..	..	123,666		
Chaff, Lime, &c.	Tons.	..	..	Tons.		
Wool	2,068	..	..	2,424		
Firewood	8,290	..	..	10,075		
Timber	1,626	..	..	1,638		
Grain	7,080	..	..	6,723		
Merchandise	25,909	..	..	22,541		
Minerals	31,144	..	..	21,562		
Total	108,469	..	..	87,997		
REVENUE,—	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Passengers	20,604	1	2	17,636	12	6
Parcels, Luggage, & Mails	2,750	18	0	2,646	2	5
Goods	37,651	5	9	32,640	2	3
Miscellaneous	334	19	9	596	9	0
Rents and Commission	929	11	10	406	1	6
Total	£62,770	16	6	£53,925	7	8

GREYMOUTH-BRUNNER SECTION.

PASSENGERS,—	1897.			1896.				
	S.	R.	Total.	S.	R.	Total.		
1st Class	163	380	543	131	266	397		
2nd Class	1,220	9,428	10,648	1,001	6,454	7,455		
Total	1,383	9,808	11,191	1,132	6,720	7,852		
Season Tickets13	..	..	..14		
PARCELS, ETC.,—	No.	..	..	No.		
Parcels	530	..	..	491		
Horses	3	..	..	6		
Carriages		
Dogs	20	..	..	17		
Total	553	..	..	514		
GOODS,—	No.	..	..	No.		
Drays	1	..	..	2		
Cattle	1	..	..	1		
Calves	1		
Sheep	382	..	..	279		
Pigs	12		
Total	384	..	..	295		
Chaff, Lime, &c.	Tons.	..	..	Tons.		
Wool	36	..	..	18		
Firewood	1	..	..	4		
Timber	6	..	..	462		
Grain	1,566	..	..	2,074		
Merchandise	143	..	..	126		
Minerals	379	..	..	206		
Total	12,755	..	..	10,828		
REVENUE,—	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Passengers	232	19	7	186	3	2
Parcels, Luggage, & Mails	22	6	5	21	1	0
Goods	1,519	7	11	1,272	17	6
Miscellaneous	118	12	2	165	17	1
Rents and Commission	8	14	0	3	14	0
Total	£1,902	0	1	£1,649	12	9

GREYMOUTH-HOKITIKA SECTION.

PASSENGERS,—	1897.			1896.		
	S.	R.	Total.	S.	R.	Total.
1st Class	86	426	512	74	400	474
2nd Class	609	7,158	7,761	592	5,352	5,944
Total	689	7,584	8,273	666	5,752	6,418
Season Tickets			17			16
PARCELS, ETC.,—			No.			No.
Parcels			147			208
Horses			1			..
Carriages .. ..			..			..
Dogs			11			2
Total			159			210
Goods,—			No.			No.
Drays			1			..
Cattle .. ..			..			..
Calves .. ..			..			..
Sheep			40			76
Pigs			12			..
Total			53			76
Chaff, Lime, &c.			Tons.			Tons.
Wool			2			2
Firewood			30			42
Timber			398			530
Grain .. ..			..			..
Merchandise			483			530
Minerals			70			68
Total			983			1,172
REVENUE,—			£ s. d.			£ s. d.
Passengers			410 12 11			331 8 3
Parcels, Luggage, & Mails			21 18 9			22 18 11
Goods			286 0 2			319 3 10
Miscellaneous			Dr. 2 5 4			0 16 1
Rents and Commission			6 16 0			5 12 0
Total			£723 2 6			£679 19 1

WESTPORT SECTION.

PASSENGERS,—	1897.			1896.		
	S.	R.	Total.	S.	R.	Total.
1st Class	5	74	79	6	46	52
2nd Class	559	3,166	3,725	499	2,674	3,173
Total	564	3,240	3,804	505	2,720	3,225
Season Tickets			12			4
PARCELS, ETC.,—			No.			No.
Parcels			165			226
Horses .. ..			..			..
Carriages .. ..			..			..
Dogs			8			4
Total			173			230
Goods,—			No.			No.
Drays			1			..
Cattle .. ..			..			1
Calves .. ..			..			1
Sheep .. ..			..			20
Pigs .. ..			..			..
Total			1			22
Chaff, Lime, &c.			Tons.			Tons.
Wool .. ..			..			18
Firewood			216			210
Timber			258			272
Grain			3			..
Merchandise			183			210
Minerals			21,540			16,872
Total			22,200			17,582
REVENUE,—			£ s. d.			£ s. d.
Passengers			241 5 7			179 14 8
Parcels, Luggage, & Mails			15 0 9			12 17 9
Goods			2,798 1 10			2,221 9 8
Miscellaneous			65 2 5			48 13 10
Rents and Commission			3 18 4			3 18 4
Total			£3,123 8 11			£2,466 14 3

NELSON SECTION.

PASSENGERS,—	1897.			1896.		
	S.	R.	Total.	S.	R.	Total.
1st Class	84	466	550	53	136	189
2nd Class	720	5,736	6,456	781	6,282	7,063
Total	804	6,202	7,006	834	6,418	7,252
Season Tickets			76			55
PARCELS, ETC.,—			No.			No.
Parcels			237			241
Horses .. ..			..			..
Carriages .. ..			..			..
Dogs			12			15
Total			249			256
Goods,—			No.			No.
Drays			1			..
Cattle .. ..			..			..
Calves			1			..
Sheep			36			27
Pigs			7			..
Total			45			27
Chaff, Lime, &c.			Tons.			Tons.
Wool			126			30
Firewood			12			16
Timber			96			144
Grain			143			241
Merchandise			93			29
Minerals			233			220
Total			908			1,066
REVENUE,—			£ s. d.			£ s. d.
Passengers			392 13 0			326 1 2
Parcels, Luggage, & Mails			19 16 6			22 3 11
Goods			465 13 0			437 12 3
Miscellaneous			63 6 7			40 12 5
Rents and Commission			15 16 0			4 8 0
Total			£957 5 1			£830 17 9

PICTON SECTION.

PASSENGERS,—	1897.			1896.		
	S.	R.	Total.	S.	R.	Total.
1st Class	131	272	403	86	354	440
2nd Class	459	1,378	1,837	469	1,760	2,229
Total	590	1,650	2,240	555	2,114	2,669
Season Tickets			35			38
PARCELS, ETC.,—			No.			No.
Parcels .. ..			..			..
Horses .. ..			..			2
Carriages .. ..			..			..
Dogs			6			12
Total			6			14
Goods,—			No.			No.
Drays .. ..			..			..
Cattle			1			..
Calves .. ..			..			..
Sheep			260			332
Pigs .. ..			..			29
Total			261			361
Chaff, Lime, &c.			Tons.			Tons.
Wool			228			174
Firewood			10			82
Timber			174			180
Grain .. ..			..			..
Merchandise			154			186
Minerals			230			152
Total			986			1,028
REVENUE,—			£ s. d.			£ s. d.
Passengers			170 15 0			146 8 6
Parcels, Luggage, & Mails			7 6 7			3 19 1
Goods			274 12 10			289 7 7
Miscellaneous			22 11 8			15 8 10
Rents and Commission			18 16 0			13 6 0
Total			£494 2 1			£468 10 0

A. C. FIFE,

Accountant, New Zealand Railways.

H. J. H. BLOW,

Under-Secretary, Railways.

Railway Department, 30th March, 1897.

N.Z.R.—FINANCIAL YEAR 1896-97.

RAILWAY WORKING ACCOUNT, showing the Revenue and Expenditure to the Termination of the Four-weekly Period ending 27th February, 1897.

Section.	Miles open for Traffic.	REVENUE.		EXPENDITURE.		FOR A TWELVE-MONTHLY PERIOD, AVERAGE TO DATE.		
		Four-weekly.	Total to Date.	Four-weekly.	Total to Date.	Per Cent. of Revenue.	Revenue per Mile of Railway.	Expenditure per Mile of Railway.
NORTH ISLAND,—								
Kawakawa ..	8	£ 152 18 9	£ 2,338 15 2	£ 213 0 3	£ 2,549 19 7	109.03	£ 316 14 2	£ 345 6 2
Whangarei ..	18	934 0 8	8,401 9 5	493 9 7	7,303 0 8	86.93	568 17 0	494 9 6
Kaihu ..	17	951 0 10	8,446 14 11	353 11 8	3,648 0 0	43.19	538 5 5	232 9 5
Auckland ..	309	11,733 13 0	125,241 5 6	6,026 19 7	80,177 8 0	64.02	439 1 9	231 1 11
Napier-Taranaki ..	332	18,606 19 4	188,841 15 1	10,800 0 9	122,959 5 3	65.11	616 4 0	401 4 5
Wellington ..	94	8,233 19 6	86,057 0 3	3,950 2 5	48,035 2 8	55.82	991 15 10	553 11 11
Total ..	778	40,612 12 1	419,327 0 4	21,837 4 3	264,672 16 2	63.12		
MIDDLE ISLAND,—								
Hurunui-Bluff ..	1,133	62,770 16 6	658,591 9 7	34,289 14 2	390,722 11 2	59.33	£ 629 17 2	£ 373 13 6
Greymouth-Brunner ..	8	1,902 0 1	22,704 16 2	1,260 4 4	12,857 4 11	56.63	3,074 12 2	1,741 1 3
Greymouth-Hokitika ..	24	723 2 6	8,327 2 5	440 1 0	4,278 3 10	51.38	375 17 6	193 2 3
Westport ..	31	3,123 8 11	38,731 10 0	1,874 4 6	17,751 13 4	45.83	1,353 10 5	620 7 1
Nelson ..	23	957 5 1	8,647 17 9	735 12 10	7,869 0 7	90.99	407 6 7	370 12 10
Picton ..	21	494 2 1	6,129 3 0	538 6 0	6,565 0 3	107.11	316 3 9	338 13 5
Total ..	1,240	69,970 15 2	743,131 18 11	39,138 2 10	440,043 14 1	59.21		
Grand total ..	2,018	110,583 7 3	1,162,458 19 3	60,975 7 1	1,704,716 10 3	60.62		

CORRESPONDING PERIOD LAST YEAR.

NORTH ISLAND,—								
Kawakawa ..	8	£ 222 13 11	£ 2,234 12 3	£ 181 14 1	£ 1,752 12 8	78.43	£ 302 12 1	£ 237 6 8
Whangarei ..	15	625 11 10	6,182 17 4	490 4 7	5,095 14 6	82.42	446 10 10	368 0 6
Kaihu ..	17	693 13 6	4,546 18 2	198 7 10	2,600 5 8	57.19	289 15 1	165 14 1
Auckland ..	309	11,199 0 7	117,182 8 3	6,552 19 3	79,901 1 6	68.19	424 19 9	239 15 7
Napier-Taranaki ..	332	18,872 7 2	185,884 17 8	10,676 4 7	120,495 8 3	64.82	606 11 0	393 3 8
Wellington ..	92	8,383 4 4	77,220 1 5	2,170 11 0	44,763 9 2	57.97	909 5 11	527 2 1
Total ..	773	39,996 11 4	393,251 15 1	20,270 1 4	254,608 11 9	64.74		
MIDDLE ISLAND,—								
Hurunui-Bluff ..	1,130	53,925 7 8	596,124 14 7	32,962 13 4	380,940 7 9	63.90	£ 573 1 4	£ 366 4 2
Greymouth-Brunner ..	8	1,649 12 9	20,801 6 9	863 5 1	10,226 17 6	49.16	2,816 16 11	1,384 17 9
Greymouth-Hokitika ..	24	679 19 1	7,700 9 6	327 3 5	3,932 13 6	51.07	347 11 10	177 10 4
Westport ..	31	2,466 14 3	29,863 12 2	1,101 2 3	14,486 12 4	48.51	1,043 12 5	506 5 0
Nelson ..	23	830 17 9	8,297 14 2	609 10 11	7,493 6 2	90.31	390 16 8	352 18 11
Picton ..	21	468 10 0	5,880 16 5	677 7 8	7,152 10 6	121.62	303 7 6	368 19 7
Total ..	1,237	60,021 1 6	668,668 13 7	36,541 2 8	424,232 7 9	63.44		
Grand total ..	2,010	100,017 12 10	1,061,920 8 8	56,811 4 0	678,840 19 6	63.93		

A. C. FIFE,
Accountant, New Zealand Railways.

H. J. H. BLOW,
Under-Secretary, Railways.

Railway Department, 30th March, 1897.

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT of TRAFFIC on ALL SECTIONS from 1st April, 1896, to 27th February, 1897.

All Sections.	Passengers.						Season Tickets.	Number.						Number.					
	First Class.		Second Class.		Total.	Total.		Parcels.	Horses.	Carriages.	Dogs.	Total.	Drays, &c.	Cattle.	Calves.	Sheep.	Pigs.	Total.	
	S.	R.	S.	R.															
1897	113,968	608,294	560,189	2,754,678	4,037,129	39,106	444,542	10,439	702	20,616	476,299	749	30,184	2,685	1,661,553	47,373	1,742,544		
1896	111,105	595,404	545,543	2,528,056	3,780,108	32,981	416,233	10,091	647	20,490	447,461	622	32,868	3,625	1,529,362	47,296	1,613,773		
Inc.	2,863	12,890	14,646	226,622	257,021	6,125	28,309	348	55	126	28,838	127	..	..	132,191	77	128,771
Dec.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2,684	940	..	..	..

All Sections.	TONS.															
	Chaff, Lime, &c.		Wool.		Firewood.		Timber.		Grain.		Merchandise.		Minerals.		Total.	
	Tons	c. qr.	Tons	c. qr.	Tons	c. qr.	Tons	c. qr.	Tons	c. qr.	Tons	c. qr.	Tons	c. qr.	Tons	c. qr.
1897	55,736	0 0	92,199	12 0	73,018	0 0	231,083	5 0	370,777	14 0	371,883	16 0	942,690	14 0	2,137,389	1 0
1896	48,934	0 0	93,572	4 0	72,358	0 0	191,527	1 0	325,840	9 0	350,618	8 0	808,567	0 0	1,891,417	2 0
Increase ..	6,802	0 0	..	..	660	0 0	39,556	4 0	44,937	5 0	21,265	8 0	134,123	14 0	245,971	19 0
Decrease..	..	..	1,372	12 0	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..

ESTIMATED COST of CONSTRUCTION, ALL LINES, to 31st March, 1896, as furnished by Public Works Department, including Public Works Loan Expenditure on Harbour-works forming Part of the Railway System.

Section.	Cost of Opened Lines.			Cost of Unopened Lines.		
	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Kawakawa	90,638	0	0	..	..	..
Whangarei-Kamo	115,935	0	0	14,879	0	0
Kaihu	51,982	0	0	..	..	..
Marton-Te Awamutu (north end)	185,098	0	0	111,372	0	0
Auckland	1,970,655	0	0	99,122	0	0
Napier	866,268	0	0	..	..	..
Marton-Te Awamutu (south end)	143,117	0	0	77,268	0	0
Wanganui	1,441,569	0	0	..	..	..
Wellington-Foxton (private line) .. .. .	..	..	..	42,117	0	0
Wellington	1,089,961	0	0	83,343	0	0
Surveys .. .. .	..	..	..	27,502	0	0
Miscellaneous .. .. .	..	..	..	5,169	0	0
Hurunui-Bluff	8,515,732	0	0	81,173	0	0
Greymouth	200,283	0	0	15,959	0	0
Greymouth Harbour Works .. .. .	..	..	..	127,234	0	0
Greymouth-Hokitika	191,409	0	0	..	..	..
Westport	227,494	0	0	..	..	..
Westport Harbour Works .. .. .	..	..	..	14,111	0	0
Nelson	166,562	0	0	12,537	0	0
Picton	205,511	0	0	58,361	0	0
Stock .. .. .	..	..	..	28,540	0	0
Stock in suspense	25,000	0	0	..	..	..
Surveys .. .. .	..	..	..	37,890	0	0
Miscellaneous .. .. .	..	..	..	5,168	0	0
Total	15,487,219	0	0	841,745	0	0

A. C. FIFE,
Accountant, New Zealand Railways.
H. J. H. BLOW,
Under-Secretary, Railways.

Railway Department, 30th March, 1897.

Bankruptcy Notices.

In Bankruptcy.

NOTICE is hereby given that JAMES O'DONOVAN QUIGLEY, of Inglewood, Chemist, was this day adjudged bankrupt; and I hereby summon a meeting of creditors, to be held at my office, at New Plymouth, on Tuesday, the 6th day of April, 1897, at 2 o'clock p.m.
 ROBERT G. BAUCHOPE,
 Deputy Official Assignee.
 New Plymouth, 25th March, 1897.

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

NOTICE is hereby given that WILLIAM HENRY SHORE, of Wellington, Clerk in Government Buildings, was this day adjudged bankrupt; and I hereby summon a meeting of creditors, to be holden at my office, on Thursday, the 8th day of April, 1897, at 2.30 o'clock.
 JAMES ASHCROFT,
 Official Assignee.
 Wellington, 1st April, 1897.

In Bankruptcy.

NOTICE is hereby given that a first and final dividend, of 1s. 8d. in the pound, upon all proved debts in the estate of WILLIAM BENONI PARKER, of Blenheim, a bankrupt, will be paid at my office on and after Thursday, the 25th day of March, 1897.
 R. W. H. D. DUNN,
 Deputy Official Assignee.

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

NOTICE is hereby given that HUGH McELROY, of St. Kilda, Jockey, was this day adjudged bankrupt; and I hereby summon a meeting of creditors, to be holden at my office, on the 30th day of March, 1897, at 3 o'clock.
 C. C. GRAHAM,
 Official Assignee.
 Dunedin, 24th March, 1897.

Mining Notices.

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Southern Star Gold-mines (Limited).
 When formed, and date of registration: 23rd October, 1895.
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Colonial Attorney: Coromandel; W. H. Argall, J.P.
 Nominal capital: £75,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed:
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash:
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any):
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid:
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 600,000.
 Number of shares allotted:
 Amount paid per share:
 Amount called up per share:
 Number and amount of calls in arrear:
 Number of shares forfeited:
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same:
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company:
 Present number of shareholders:
 Number of men employed by company: 34.
 Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preceding year:
 Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration:
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year:
 Total expenditure since registration:
 Total amount of dividends declared:
 Total amount of dividends paid:
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends:
 Amount of cash at banker's:
 Amount of cash in hand:
 Amount of debts directly due to company:
 Amount of debts considered good:
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any):

I, Godefroi Drew Ingall, temporary substitute for W. H. Argall, of Auckland, the Attorney of the Southern Star Gold-mines (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."

G. D. INGALL.

Declared at Auckland, this 26th day of March, 1897, before me—H. F. Anderson, J.P. 741

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Tararu Creek Gold-mining Company (Limited).
 When formed, and date of registration: 7th August, 1895.
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Colonial Attorney: Thames; W. H. Argall, J.P.
 Nominal capital: £95,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed:
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash:
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any):
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid:
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 190,000.
 Number of shares allotted:
 Amount paid per share:
 Amount called up per share:
 Number and amount of calls in arrear:
 Number of shares forfeited:
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same:
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company:
 Present number of shareholders:
 Number of men employed by company: 68.
 Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preceding year: 1,930 oz. bullion; £3,395 16s. 2d.
 Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration: 2,095 oz. bullion; £3,930 15s. 2d.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year:
 Total expenditure since registration:
 Total amount of dividends declared:
 Total amount of dividends paid:
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends:
 Amount of cash at banker's:
 Amount of cash in hand:
 Amount of debts directly due to company:
 Amount of debts considered good:
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any):

G. D. INGALL.

Declared at Auckland, this 26th day of March, 1897, before me—H. F. Anderson, J.P. 742

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Tokatea Consols Gold-mines (Limited).
 When formed, and date of registration: 21st May, 1896.
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Colonial Attorney: Coromandel; G. D. Ingall.
 Nominal capital: £100,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed:
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash:
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any):
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid:
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 100,000.
 Number of shares allotted:
 Amount paid per share:
 Amount called up per share:
 Number and amount of calls in arrear:
 Number of shares forfeited:
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same:
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company:
 Present number of shareholders:
 Number of men employed by company: 13, to 31st December, 1896.

Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preceding year:
 Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration: Nil.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year:
 Total expenditure since registration:
 Total amount of dividends declared:
 Total amount of dividends paid:
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends:
 Amount of cash at banker's:
 Amount of cash in hand:
 Amount of debts directly due to company:
 Amount of debts considered good:
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any):

I, Godefroi Drew Ingall, of Auckland, the Colonial Attorney of the Tokatea Consols Gold-mines (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."

G. D. INGALL,
 Attorney.

Declared at Auckland, this 26th day of March, 1897,
 before me—H. F. Anderson, J.P. 743

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Kapanga Gold-mining Company (Limited).
 When formed, and date of registration: 3rd October, 1893.
 Whether in active operation or not:
 Where business is conducted, and name of Colonial Attorney: Coromandel; W. H. Argall, J.P.
 Nominal capital: £250,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed:
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash:
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any):
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid:
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 250,000.
 Number of shares allotted:
 Amount paid per share:
 Amount called up per share:
 Number and amount of calls in arrear:
 Number of shares forfeited:
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same:
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company:
 Present number of shareholders:
 Number of men employed by company: 103.
 Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preceding year:
 Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration:
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year:
 Total expenditure since registration:
 Total amount of dividends declared:
 Total amount of dividends paid:
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends:
 Amount of cash at banker's:
 Amount of cash in hand:
 Amount of debts directly due to company:
 Amount of debts considered good:
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any):

I, Godefroi Drew Ingall, temporary substitute for W. H. Argall, of Auckland, the attorney of the Kapanga 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."

G. D. INGALL.

Declared at Auckland, this 26th day of March, 1897,
 before me—H. F. Anderson, J.P. 744

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Komata Queen (Limited).
 When formed, and date of registration: 21st April, 1896.
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Colonial Attorney: Thames; W. H. Argall, J.P.
 Nominal capital: £75,000.

Amount of capital subscribed:
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash:
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any):
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid:
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 600,000.
 Number of shares allotted:
 Amount paid per share:
 Amount called up per share:
 Number and amount of calls in arrear:
 Number of shares forfeited:
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same:
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company:
 Present number of shareholders:
 Number of men employed by company: 9.
 Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preceding year:
 Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration:
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year:
 Total expenditure since registration:
 Total amount of dividends declared:
 Total amount of dividends paid:
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends:
 Amount of cash at banker's:
 Amount of cash in hand:
 Amount of debts directly due to company:
 Amount of debts considered good:
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any):

I, Godefroi Drew Ingall, temporary substitute for W. H. Argall, of Auckland, the Attorney of the Komata Queen (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."

G. D. INGALL.

Declared at Auckland, this 26th day of March, 1897,
 before me—H. F. Anderson, J.P. 745

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Komata Reefs Gold-mining Company (Limited).
 When formed, and date of registration: 13th March, 1895.
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Colonial Attorney: Tararua Creek; W. H. Argall, J.P.
 Nominal capital: £50,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed:
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash:
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any):
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid:
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 200,000.
 Number of shares allotted:
 Amount paid per share:
 Amount called up per share:
 Number and amount of calls in arrear:
 Number of shares forfeited:
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same:
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company:
 Present number of shareholders:
 Number of men employed by company: 39.
 Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preceding year:
 Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration:
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year:
 Total expenditure since registration:
 Total amount of dividends declared:
 Total amount of dividends paid:
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends:
 Amount of cash at banker's:
 Amount of cash in hand:
 Amount of debts directly due to company:
 Amount of debts considered good:
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any):

I, Godefroi Drew Ingall, temporary substitute for W. H. Argall, of Auckland, the Attorney of the Komata Reefs Gold-mining Company (Limited), do solemnly and sincerely de-

clare 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."

G. D. INGALL.

Declared at Auckland, this 26th day of March, 1897, before me—H. F. Anderson, J.P. 750

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Kathleen Crown (Limited).
 When formed, and date of registration: 27th February, 1896.
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Colonial Attorney: Coromandel; W. H. Argall, J.P.
 Nominal capital: £75,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed:
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash:
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any):
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid:
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 600,000.
 Number of shares allotted:
 Amount paid per share:
 Amount called up per share:
 Number and amount of calls in arrear:
 Number of shares forfeited:
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same:
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company:
 Present number of shareholders:
 Number of men employed by company: 52.
 Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preceding year:
 Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration:
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year:
 Total expenditure since registration:
 Total amount of dividends declared:
 Total amount of dividends paid:
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends:
 Amount of cash at banker's:
 Amount of cash in hand:
 Amount of debts directly due to company:
 Amount of debts considered good:
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any):

I, Godefroi Drew Ingall, temporary substitute for W. H. Argall, of Auckland, the Attorney of the Kathleen Crown (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."

G. D. INGALL.

Declared at Auckland, this 26th day of March, 1897, before me—H. F. Anderson, J.P. 740

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Blagrove's Freehold Gold-mining Company (Limited).
 Date of registration: 4th May, 1895.
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Colonial Attorney: Coromandel; W. H. Argall, J.P.
 Nominal capital: £62,500.
 Amount of capital subscribed:
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash:
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any):
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid:
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 500,000.
 Number of shares allotted:
 Amount paid per share:
 Amount called up per share:
 Number and amount of calls in arrear:
 Number of shares forfeited:
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same:
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company:
 Present number of shareholders:
 Number of men employed by company: 41.
 Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preceding year:

Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration:
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year:
 Total expenditure since registration:
 Total amount of dividends declared:
 Total amount of dividends paid:
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends:
 Amount of cash at banker's:
 Amount of cash in hand:
 Amount of debts directly due to company:
 Amount of debts considered good:
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any):

I, Godefroi Drew Ingall, temporary substitute for W. H. Argall, of Auckland, the Attorney of the Blagrove's Freehold 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."

G. D. INGALL.

Declared at Auckland, this 26th day of March, 1897, before me—H. F. Anderson, J.P. 739

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Maoriland Gold-mines (Limited).
 When formed, and date of registration: 5th June, 1896, in England.
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Mining operations at Kuaotunu, registered office at Shortland Street, Auckland; Attorney, Frederick Capel Brown, Kuaotunu.
 Nominal capital: £95,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed: Not known in New Zealand.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: Not known in New Zealand.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): Not known in New Zealand.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: Not known in New Zealand.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 760,000.
 Number of shares allotted: Not known in New Zealand.
 Amount paid per share: Not known in New Zealand.
 Amount called up per share: Not known in New Zealand.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: Not known in New Zealand.
 Number of shares forfeited: Not known in New Zealand.
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: Not known in New Zealand.
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: Not known in New Zealand.
 Present number of shareholders: Not known in New Zealand.
 Number of men employed by company: 9.
 Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preceding year: Nil.
 Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration: Nil.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year, in New Zealand: £349 9s. 7d.
 Total expenditure since registration, in New Zealand: £349 9s. 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: Not known in New Zealand.
 Amount of cash in hand: Not known in New Zealand.
 Amount of debts directly due to company: Not known in New Zealand.
 Amount of debts considered good: Not known in New Zealand.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): Not known in New Zealand.

I, Frederick Capel Brown, of Kuaotunu, the Attorney of the Maoriland Gold-mines (Limited), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company, so far as known to me, at the 31st day of December, 1896; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

F. C. BROWN,
 Attorney.

Declared at Auckland, this 29th day of March, 1897, before me—Jas. Sykes, a Solicitor of the Supreme Court of New Zealand. 747

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Irene (Hauraki) Gold-mine (Limited).
 When formed, and date of registration: 5th June, 1896; incorporated in England.
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Mining operations at Kuaotunu, registered office at Shortland Street, Auckland; Attorney, Frederick Capel Brown, Kuaotunu.
 Nominal capital: £80,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed: Not known in New Zealand.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: Not known in New Zealand.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): Not known in New Zealand.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: Not known in New Zealand.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 320,000.
 Number of shares allotted: Not known in New Zealand.
 Amount paid per share: Not known in New Zealand.
 Amount called up per share: Not known in New Zealand.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: Not known in New Zealand.
 Number of shares forfeited: Not known in New Zealand.
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: Not known in New Zealand.
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: Not known in New Zealand.
 Present number of shareholders: Not known in New Zealand.
 Number of men employed by company: 12.
 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, as from commencing operations, on 11th July, 1896, in New Zealand: £941 Os. 11d.
 Total expenditure since registration, in New Zealand: £941 Os. 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: Not known in New Zealand.
 Amount of cash in hand: Not known in New Zealand.
 Amount of debts directly due to company: Not known in New Zealand.
 Amount of debts considered good: Not known in New Zealand.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): Not known in New Zealand.

I, Frederick Capel Brown, of Kuaotunu, the Attorney of the Irene (Hauraki) Gold-mine (Limited), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company, so far as known to me, at the 31st day of December, 1896; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

F. C. BROWN,
 Attorney.

Declared at Auckland, this 29th day of March, 1897, before me—Jas. Sykes, a Solicitor of the Supreme Court of New Zealand. 748

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: New Alburnia Gold-mining Company (Limited).
 When formed, and date of registration: Cannot say; registered in England.
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: J. S. Keith, Finsbury House, Blomfield Street, London.
 Nominal capital: £180,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed: Known only in London.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: Known only in London.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): Known only in London.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid, in New Zealand: £62,851.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 180,000.
 Number of shares allotted, in New Zealand: 62,851.
 Amount paid per share, in New Zealand: £1.
 Amount called up per share: Cannot say.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: Cannot say.
 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: Cannot say.

Present number of shareholders, in New Zealand: 164.
 Number of men employed by company: 11 in October, about 25 in December.
 Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preceding year: £411 4s. 6d.
 Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration: £411 4s. 6d.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year, in New Zealand: £2,835 14s.
 Total expenditure since registration, in New Zealand: £2,835 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, in New Zealand: £172 12s. 10d.
 Amount of cash in hand, in New Zealand: £10 5s. 10d.
 Amount of debts directly due to company, in New Zealand: Nil.
 Amount of debts considered good, in New Zealand: Nil.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any), in New Zealand: Nil.

I, Dennis Gilmore MacDonnell, of Auckland, the Local Secretary of the New Alburnia 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,
 Local Secretary.

Declared at Auckland, this 25th day of March, 1897, before me—H. M. Shepherd, J.P. 738

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Hauraki Golden Bay Mines (Limited).
 When formed, and date of registration: 30th July, 1896.
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: 8, Old Jewry, London, E.C.; L. Matheson.
 Nominal capital: £150,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed: Not known in New Zealand.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: Not known in New Zealand.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): Not known in New Zealand.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: Not known in New Zealand.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 150,000.
 Number of shares allotted: Not known in New Zealand.
 Amount paid per share: Not known in New Zealand.
 Amount called up per share: Not known in New Zealand.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: Not known in New Zealand.
 Number of shares forfeited: Not known in New Zealand.
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: Not known in New Zealand.
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: Not known in New Zealand.
 Present number of shareholders: Not known in New Zealand.
 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, in New Zealand: £465 3s. 10d.
 Total expenditure since registration, in New Zealand: £465 3s. 10d.
 Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.
 Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.
 Amount of cash at banker's, in New Zealand: £284 16s. 2d.
 Amount of cash in hand, in New Zealand: Nil.
 Amount of debts directly due to company, in New Zealand: Nil.
 Amount of debts considered good, in New Zealand: Nil.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any), in New Zealand: Nil.

I, Dennis Gilmore MacDonnell, of Auckland, the Attorney of the Hauraki Golden Bay Mines (Limited), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company on the 31st day of December, 1896; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

D. G. MACDONNELL,
 Attorney.

Declared at Auckland, this 29th day of March, 1897, before me—H. M. Shepherd, J.P. 737

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Try Fluke Gold-mining Company (Limited), (in liquidation).
 When formed, and date of registration: 16th November, 1889; 3rd December, 1889.
 Whether in active operation or not: Not in active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Liquidator: New Zealand Insurance Buildings, Auckland; Henry Gilfillan, jun.
 Nominal capital: £16,250.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £15,250.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £2,775.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): £275; nil.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: £275.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 65,000.
 Number of shares allotted: 61,000.
 Amount paid per share: 1s.
 Amount called up per share: 1s.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: Nil.
 Number of shares forfeited: Nil.
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: Nil.
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 21.
 Present number of shareholders: 120.
 Number of men employed by company: 37.
 Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preceding year: 903 oz. 13 dwt.; £2,020 7s. 2d.
 Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration: 23,121 oz. 13 dwt.; £57,086 10s. 9d.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £9,540 19s. 2d.
 Total expenditure since registration: £50,897 7s. 6d.
 Total amount of dividends declared: £55,496 2s. 10d.
 Total amount of dividends paid: £55,469 14s. 7d.
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends: £26 8s. 3d.
 Amount of cash at banker's: £24 10s. 5d.
 Amount of cash in hand: Nil.
 Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.
 Amount of debts considered good: Nil.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): Nil.

I, Henry Gilfillan, jun., of Auckland, the Liquidator of the Try Fluke Gold-mining Company (Limited), (in liquidation), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company at the 31st day of December, 1896; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

H. GILFILLAN, JUN.,
Liquidator.

Declared at Auckland, this 25th day of March, 1897, before me—Frederick L. Prime, J.P. 735

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Central Gold-mining Company (No Liability), (in liquidation).
 When formed, and date of registration: 12th September, 1895; 11th December, 1895.
 Whether in active operation or not: Not in active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Liquidator: New Zealand Insurance Buildings, Auckland; Henry Gilfillan, jun.
 Nominal capital: £14,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £14,000.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £1,050, being proceeds derived from sale of promoters' shares.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): Nil.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: Nil.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 70,000.
 Number of shares allotted: 70,000.
 Amount paid per share: Equivalent to £1,050, being proceeds derived from sale of promoters' shares.
 Amount called up per share: Nil.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: Nil.
 Number of shares forfeited: Nil.
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: Nil.
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 66.
 Present number of shareholders: 199.
 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: £1,312 3s. 4d.
 Total expenditure since registration: £1,584 16s. 7d.
 Total amount of dividends declared: £2,916 13s. 4d.
 Total amount of dividends paid: £2,907 10s.
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends: £9 3s. 4d.
 Amount of cash at banker's: £48 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): Nil.

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

H. GILFILLAN, JUN.,
Liquidator.

Declared at Auckland, this 25th day of March, 1897, before me—Frederick L. Prime, J.P. 736

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Victor Gold-mining Company (No Liability), (in liquidation).
 When formed, and date of registration: 11th January, 1895; 9th February, 1895.
 Whether in active operation or not: Not in active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Liquidator: New Zealand Insurance Buildings, Auckland; Henry Gilfillan, jun.
 Nominal capital: £15,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £8,000.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £1,083 8s., including £375, being proceeds derived from sale of promoter's shares.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): Nil.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: Nil.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 150,000.
 Number of shares allotted: 80,000.
 Amount paid per share: 2½d., and also equivalent to £375, being proceeds derived from sale of promoter's shares.
 Amount called up per share: 2½d.
 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: 15.
 Present number of shareholders: 139.
 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: £114 17s. 4d.
 Total expenditure since registration: £1,255 3s. 10d.
 Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.
 Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.
 Amount of cash at banker's: 4s. 2d.
 Amount of cash in hand: Nil.
 Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.
 Amount of debts considered good: Nil.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): Nil.

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

H. GILFILLAN, JUN.,
Liquidator.

Declared at Auckland, this 26th day of March, 1897, before me—Frederick L. Prime, J.P. 734

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Southern Cross Gold-mining Company (Limited).
 When formed, and date of registration: 22nd March, 1889.
 Whether in active operation or not: Not in active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Blenheim; John Hutcheson.

Nominal capital: £14,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £14,000.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £1,983 17s.
 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: £1,400.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 14,000.
 Number of shares allotted: 14,000.
 Amount paid per share: 2s.
 Amount called up per share: 3s. 6d.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: Nil.
 Number of shares forfeited: 8,916.
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: 1,220; £13 15s.
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 22.
 Present number of shareholders: 26.
 Number of men employed by company: None permanently.
 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: £230 0s. 8d.
 Total expenditure since registration: £1,950 5s. 3d.
 Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.
 Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.
 Amount of cash at banker's: £47 6s. 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): £30 10s. 3d.

I, John Hutcheson, of Blenheim, the Manager of the Southern Cross Gold-mining Company (Limited), do solemnly and sincerely declare that this is a true and complete statement of the affairs of the said company on the 31st day of December, 1896; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."
 JOHN HUTCHESON,
 Manager.

Declared at Blenheim, this 16th day of March, 1897,
 before me—John M. Hutcheson, J.P. 722

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Irving Gold-mining Company (No Liability).
 When formed, and date of registration: 22nd October, 1896; 17th December, 1896.
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: No. 4, Hobson's Buildings, Auckland; John Hunter Harrison.
 Nominal capital: £11,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £9,950.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £1,185.
 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: 110,000.
 Number of shares allotted: 99,500.
 Amount paid per share: 2s. 8d.
 Amount called up per share: Nil.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: Nil.
 Number of shares forfeited: Nil.
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: Nil.
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 101.
 Present number of shareholders: 101.
 Number of men employed by company: 4.
 Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preceding year: Nil.
 Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration: Nil.
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £371 5s.
 Total expenditure since registration: £371 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: £813 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): Nil.

I, John Hunter Harrison, of Auckland, the Manager of the Irving 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 22nd day of March, 1897,
 before me—W. F. Inder, Solicitor, &c. 726

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Thames Hauraki Goldfields (Limited).
 When formed, and date of registration: —
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Wyndham Street, Auckland; John Sylvester Brigham, Local Secretary.
 Nominal capital: £300,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £275,000.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: Not known in colony.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): Not known in colony.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: Not known in colony.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 300,000.
 Number of shares allotted: 275,000.
 Amount paid per share: Not known in colony.
 Amount called up per share: Not known in colony.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: Not known in colony.
 Number of shares forfeited: Not known in colony.
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: Not known in colony.
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: Not known in colony.
 Present number of shareholders: Not known in colony.
 Number of men employed by company: 51.
 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, 1896, in colony: £7,246 5s. 6d.
 Total expenditure since registration, in colony: £7,246 5s. 6d.
 Total amount of dividends declared: Not known in colony.
 Total amount of dividends paid: Not known in colony.
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Not known in colony.
 Amount of cash at banker's, in colony: £331 12s. 9d.
 Amount of cash in hand: Not known in colony.
 Amount of debts directly due to company: Not known in colony.
 Amount of debts considered good: Not known in colony.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): Not known in colony.

I, Samuel Hesketh, of Auckland, one of the Attorneys of the Thames Hauraki Goldfields (Limited), in the unavoidable temporary absence from New Zealand of the said John Sylvester Brigham, 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, so far as they are known to me; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

S. HESKETH.

Declared at Auckland, this 29th day of March, 1897, before me—Wm. Chas. Walker, J.P. 746

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Swanston Gold-mining Company (Limited).
 When formed, and date of registration: 28th July, 1894.
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Andrew Swanston.
 Nominal capital: £1,100.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £1,000.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £1,000.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any): None.
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid: £100.
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 22.
 Number of shares allotted: 22.
 Amount paid per share: £50.
 Amount called up per share: £50.
 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: 16.
 Number of men employed by company: 4.
 Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preceding year: £75 (gold).
 Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration: £100 (gold).
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year: £300.
 Total expenditure since registration: £1,900.
 Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.
 Total amount of dividends paid: Nil.
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends: Nil.
 Amount of cash at banker's: Nil.
 Amount of cash in hand: Nil.
 Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.
 Amount of debts considered good: Nil.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): Nil.

I, Peter Ledsham, of Christchurch, the Acting Secretary of the Swanston 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."

P. LEDSHAM,
 Acting Secretary.

Declared at Christchurch, this 10th day of January, 1897,
 before me—C. M. Gray, J.P. 757

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Preece's Point Proprietary (Hauraki) (Limited).
 When formed, and date of registration: 21st August, 1895.
 Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Manager: Coromandel; W. H. Argall, J.P.
 Nominal capital: £100,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed:
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash:
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders, and amount of cash received for same (if any):
 Paid-up value of scrip given to shareholders on which no cash has been paid:
 Number of shares into which capital is divided: 400,000.
 Number of shares allotted:
 Amount paid per share:
 Amount called up per share:
 Number and amount of calls in arrear:
 Number of shares forfeited:
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same:
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company:
 Present number of shareholders:
 Number of men employed by company: 51.
 Quantity and value of gold or silver produced during preceding year:
 Total quantity and value of gold or silver produced since registration:
 Amount expended in connection with carrying on operations during preceding year:
 Total expenditure since registration:
 Total amount of dividends declared:
 Total amount of dividends paid:
 Total amount of unclaimed dividends:
 Amount of cash at banker's:
 Amount of cash in hand:
 Amount of debts directly due to company:
 Amount of debts considered good:
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any):

I, Godefroi Drew Ingall, temporary substitute for W. H. Argall, of Auckland, the Attorney of the Preece's Point Proprietary (Hauraki) (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."

G. D. INGALL.

Declared at Auckland, this 26th day of March, 1897,
 before me—H. F. Anderson, J.P. 751

STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Inglewood Gold-mining Company (No Liability), (in liquidation).
 When formed, and date of registration: 20th September, 1895; 26th October, 1895.
 Whether in active operation or not: Not in active operation.
 Where business is conducted, and name of Liquidator: New Zealand Insurance Buildings, Auckland; Henry Gilfillan, jun.
 Nominal capital: £15,000.
 Amount of capital subscribed: £13,000.
 Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £1,050, being proceeds derived from sale of promoter's 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: 75,000.
 Number of shares allotted: 65,000.
 Amount paid per share: Equivalent to £1,050, being proceeds from sale of promoter's shares.
 Amount called up per share: Nil.
 Number and amount of calls in arrear: Nil.
 Number of shares forfeited: Nil.
 Number of forfeited shares sold, and money received for same: Nil.
 Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 45.
 Present number of shareholders: 69.
 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: £550 19s. 2d.
 Total expenditure since registration: £1,050 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: Nil.
 Amount of cash in hand: Nil.
 Amount of debts directly due to company: Nil.
 Amount of debts considered good: Nil.
 Amount of contingent liabilities of company (if any): Nil.

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

H. GILFILLAN, JUN.,
 Liquidator.

Declared at Auckland, this 26th day of March, 1897,
 before me—Frederick L. Prime, J.P. 752

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO CONSTRUCT WATER-RACE.

Hauraki Mining District, 22nd October, 1896.

To the Warden at Thames.

I HEREBY give notice that I intend to construct a water-race to divert and use water for mining purposes, commencing at a point, and peg marked M, on the Kaitoke Creek, Great Barrier Island, about three-quarters of a mile above a junction of the said creek with a branch creek, and terminating at a point, and peg marked M, one-quarter of a mile below the said junction.

The length of such race is one mile or thereabouts, and its intended course is south-easterly.

Water-race required for Mount Argentum Special Claim at Great Barrier.

The mean depth of such race is 2 ft. 6 in., and the mean breadth is 5 ft.; and it is proposed to divert ten Government heads of water.

Cost of construction: £500.

Time required for construction: Twelve months.

Number and date of miner's right: No. 4072; 20th November, 1895.

PETER CHRISTIAN HANSEN

(By his Solicitor, J. A. MILLER),
 Applicant.

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

Adjoined hearing at 10 o'clock on the 4th May, 1897, at Warden's Court, Thames. H. EYRE KENNY,

Warden.

Warden's Office, Thames, 22nd October, 1896. 727

I, THE undersigned, hereby make application to register the Daphne 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 Daphne Gold-mining Company (No Liability).
2. The place of operations (or intended operations) is at Puru, Tararu.
3. The registered office of the company will be situated at 14, Victoria Arcade, 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 sixty thousand, of one shilling each.
6. The number of shares subscribed for is forty thousand.
7. The name of the Manager is Joseph Barber.
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.
Miller, Joseph, Auckland, Agent	2,800
Millett, Thomas, Tararu, Miner	4,050
Millett, Francis B., Tararu, Miner	50
Lowrie, Robert, Thames, Miner	4,050
Evans, W. S., Ponsonby, Organ-tuner	1,800
Whalley, Frederick H., Auckland, Surveyor	2,450
Whalley, Mrs. Margaret R., Auckland	2,500
Welman, James, Auckland, Mining Engineer	3,600
Tanton, Thomas George, Devonport, Gentleman	1,000
Smith, Frank Wilson, Auckland, Solicitor	1,850
Smith, James, Wellington, Merchant	1,800
Jenkins, Richard, Paeroa, Printer	350
Pearce, W. J., Thames, Miner	3,500
Wilson, George, Auckland, Merchant	2,700
Barber, Charles H., Northcote, Miner	1,500
O'Brien, John D., Parnell, Miner	1,000
Colbeck, John C., Auckland, Agent	500
Young, Robert O., Auckland, Merchant	500
Barber, Joseph, Auckland, Accountant	4,500
Total	40,000

Dated this 24th day of March, 1897.

J. BARBER,
Manager.

Witness to signature—F. H. Shepherd.

- I, Joseph Barber, 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. BARBER.

Taken before me, this 24th day of March, 1897—Spencer von Stürmer, J.P. 725

DOVER CASTLE GOLD-MINING COMPANY (NO LIABILITY).

To the Registrar Supreme Court, Auckland.

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

FRANK S. MALCOLM, } Directors.
J. H. PORTER, }

Auckland, 15th March, 1897. 721

I, THE undersigned, hereby make application to register the Princess 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 Princess Gold-mining Company (No Liability).
2. The place of operations (or intended operations) is at Karangahake, Hauraki Mining District.
3. The registered office of the company will be situated at Nos. 40 and 41, New Zealand Insurance Buildings, Auckland.
4. The value of the company's property, including claim or lease ground and machinery, is one thousand pounds.
5. The number of shares in the company is fifty thousand, of one shilling each.
6. The number of shares subscribed for is forty thousand.
7. The name of the Manager is Henry Gilfillan, jun.
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.
Carroll, Michael, Karangahake, Miner	500
McCann, Alexander, Karangahake, Miner	500
Bunyard, Kate, Karangahake, Domestic Duties	1,500
Whelan, William, Karangahake, Miner	500
Power, Maurice Gilbert, Paeroa, Hotelkeeper	500
Power, Maurice Goggon, Paeroa, Settler	500
Wood, Walcot, Christchurch, Merchant	7,000
Robinson, Agnes, Karangahake, Domestic Duties	500
Stackpole, Robert, jun., Karangahake, Mine-manager	4,000
Brett, Arthur Roland, Auckland, Printer	1,500
Brett, Arthur Roland, Auckland, Printer (in trust)	2,000
Penwick, George, Dunedin, Journalist	1,000
Johnston, William, Auckland, Settler	1,000
Brett, Henry, Auckland, Journalist	5,000
Finlayson, Thomas, Auckland, Merchant	500
Moon, Mark, Auckland, Engineer	500
Gilfillan, Henry, jun., Auckland, Mining Agent (in trust)	12,250
Mitchell, William, Auckland, Accountant	1,250
Gilfillan, Henry, jun., Auckland, Mining Agent (in trust for the company)	10,000
Total	50,000

Dated this 27th day of March, 1897.

H. GILFILLAN, JUN.,
Manager.

Witness to signature—Frederick L. Prime, J.P.

I, Henry Gilfillan, jun., 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."

H. GILFILLAN, JUN.

Taken before me, this 27th day of March, 1897—Frederick L. Prime, J.P. 733

NOTICE is hereby given, pursuant to the provisions of "The Mining Act, 1891," and "The Foreign Companies Act, 1884," that the offices or places of business in New Zealand of the following companies, viz.:-

- The Britannia (Hauraki) Gold-mining Company (Limited),
- The Waitaia Gold-mines (Limited), and
- Mahara Royal (Limited),

where legal proceedings of any kind may be served upon them respectively, and to which notices of any kind may be addressed or given, are at the office of the undersigned, solicitors in New Zealand for the said companies, at Bank Buildings, Wyndham Street, Auckland.

Dated this 27th day of March, 1897.

749 HESKETH AND RICHMOND.

In the matter of "The Companies Act, 1882"; and in the matter of the Mokinuiui Knights of Labour Co-operative Coal-producers Company (Limited).

NOTICE is hereby given that at a meeting of the above-named company held on the 10th day of February, 1897, a special resolution was passed, which has since been duly confirmed, requiring the company to be wound up voluntarily; and that a General Meeting of the members of the company will be held at the registered office of the company, Seddonville, on Monday, the 31st May, 1897, at 8 p.m., for the purpose of receiving the Liquidator's account showing the manner in which the winding-up has been conducted, and also to determine by extraordinary resolution as to the disposal of the books and accounts of the company and of the Liquidator thereof.

A. W. MILLS,
Liquidator.

Westport, 19th March, 1897. 754

In the matter of "The Foreign Companies Act, 1884," and the Royal Standard Gold-mines (Limited).

NOTICE is hereby given—(1.) That the above-named company carry on business in New Zealand at Wharekairauponga, in the Survey District of Ohinemuri. (2.) That the office of the company is at the offices of Edwin Clendon, Solicitor, Union Chambers, Albert Street, Thames. (3.) That the Attorney in New Zealand of the said company is the said Edwin Clendon, whose address is at the Union Chambers aforesaid.

Dated this 13th day of March, 1897.

EDWIN CLENDON,
Attorney in New Zealand for the Royal Standard Gold-mines (Limited). 699

In the matter of "The Foreign Companies Act, 1884," "The Mining Act, 1891," and "The Mining Companies Act, 1894"; and in the matter of the London and West Australian Syndicate (Limited).

NOTICE is hereby given that the office of the London and West Australian Syndicate (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 Parkeston, in the district of West Wanganui, in the Provincial District of Nelson, in the Colony of New Zealand.

Dated at Nelson, this 18th day of March, 1897.

JOHN FARDON HURSE,

Attorney for the said Company in New Zealand.

Witness—A. T. Maginnity, Solicitor, Nelson.

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THE OTAGO SYNDICATE (LIMITED).

NOTICE is hereby given, in pursuance of "The Foreign Companies Act, 1884," and "The Mining Act, 1891," that the above-named company's office in this colony 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 in High Street, Dunedin.

Dated this 12th day of March, 1897.

MONTAGU CRADOCK, Capt.,

Attorney of the Company.

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STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF A COMPANY.

Name of company: Wakamarina Golden Bar Gold-mining Company (Limited).

When formed, and date of registration: September, 1894.

Whether in active operation or not: In active operation.

Where business is conducted, and name of Legal Manager: Wellington; Robert Wilberfoss.

Nominal capital: £24,000.

Amount of capital subscribed: £24,000.

Amount of capital actually paid up in cash: £727 Os. 2d.

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: 24,000 shares of £1 each.

Number of shares allotted: 24,000.

Amount called up per share: 1s. 5½d.

Amount of calls in arrear: £223 13s. 7d.

Number of shares forfeited: 2,388.

Number of shareholders at time of registration of company: 17.

Number of shareholders, 30th November, 1896: 51.

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: £338 6s. 3d.

Total expenditure since registration: £782 9s. 11d.

Total amount of dividends declared: Nil.

Amount of cash at banker's: Nil.

Amount of cash in hand: Nil.

Amount of debts directly due to company: £275 2s. 2d.

Amount of debts considered good (estimated): £225.

Amount of debts due by company: £70 3s. 6d.

Amount of contingent liabilities of company: £66 6s. 4d.

I, Robert Wilberfoss, of Wellington, the Manager of the Wakamarina Golden Bar 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 30th day of November, 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 WILBERFOSS,

Manager.

Declared at Wellington, this 1st day of April, 1897, before me—R. M. Simpson, J.P.

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Land Transfer Act Notices.

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

8021. JAMES HASTIE.—20 perches, part of Lot 55, Christchurch Town Reserves. Occupied by Applicant.

8024. ROBERT DAWSON.—1 rood, Section 449, City of Christchurch. Occupied by — Burke.

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8026. LUCY ELLEN SYKES STUDHOLME.—14½ perches, parts of Sections 893 and 894, City of Christchurch. Occupied by Wardell Bros.

8031. GEORGE HAMILL.—70 acres, Rural Sections 1240 and 1534, Christchurch Survey District. Occupied by Le Messurier Lainé.

8032. JOHN BROWN.—167 acres, Lots 38 to 41, Plan 238, part of Rural Section 7186, Wakanui Survey District. Occupied by Applicant.

Diagrams may be inspected at this office.

Dated this 27th day of March, 1897, at the Lands Registry Office, Christchurch.

G. G. BRIDGES,

District Land Registrar.

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

3310. JOSEPH OWEN YORKE.—Parts of Allotments 23 and 24, Parish of Waikomiti, containing 127 acres and 36 perches. Occupied by Applicant.

3334. EDITH GENTLES.—Lots 4 and 5, and part of Lot 3, of the subdivision of Allotment 13, Section 8, Suburbs of Auckland, containing 1 rood. Unoccupied.

3339. HENRY JAMES JOHNSON.—Allotment 50, Town of Greerton, containing 1 acre. Occupied by a tenant.

Diagrams may be inspected at this office.

Dated this 27th day of March, 1897, at the Lands Registry Office, Auckland.

EDWIN BAMFORD,

District Land Registrar.

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NOTICE is hereby given that the several parcels of land hereinafter described will be brought under the provisions of "The Land Transfer Act, 1885," unless caveat be lodged forbidding the same on or before the 1st day of May, 1897.

2641. ROBERTHA REID COPELAND.—433 acres, parts of Sections 12, 80, 81, 82, 83, 231, and 234, Right Bank of Wanganui River. Occupied by William Montgomery, as tenant.

2642. WILLIAM MONTGOMERY and HENRY IRESON JONES.—23 acres 3 roods 26 perches, part Sections 80 and 81, Right Bank of Wanganui River. Occupied by the said William Montgomery.

2643. THOMAS CHALMERS TAYLOR.—17 acres 1 rood 11 perches, part Sections 47, 80, and 81, Right Bank of Wanganui River. Occupied by Charles Willis, Thomas Glover, Edwin Perrett, Amelia Babbage, and George Mitchell.

2662. ARTHUR DORSET.—1 rood 31·3 perches, part Section 649, City of Wellington. Occupied by monthly tenants.

2664. GEORGE BEETHAM.—30 perches, Lot 3, Pipitea Pa Reserve, Wellington City. Occupied by weekly tenants of Applicant.

Diagrams may be inspected at this office.

Dated this 31st day of March, 1897, at the Lands Registry Office, Wellington.

J. M. BATHAM,

District Land Registrar.

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Private Advertisements.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Partnership heretofore subsisting between us, the undersigned AZIM SALVATOR BIRCH and WILLIAM JOHN BIRCH, in the business of Sheepfarmers carried on by us at Erewhon, Inland Patea, under the style or firm of "A. and W. Birch," has this day been dissolved by mutual consent.

All debts due and owing to or by the late firm will be received and paid by the said William John Birch.

Dated this 25th day of March, 1897.

A. S. BIRCH.

W. J. BIRCH.

Witness to the signature of Azim Salvator Birch—G. E. Sainsbury, Solicitor, Napier.

Witness to the signature of William John Birch—J. W. Carlile, Solicitor, Napier.

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NOTICE OF DISSOLUTION.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Partnership between the undersigned has this day been dissolved by mutual consent.

Mr. CHARLES HAYWARD IZARD will in future carry on business as a Barrister and Solicitor on his own account at Routh's Buildings, corner of Featherston and Johnston

Streets, and the undersigned FRANCIS HENRY DILLON BELL, HUGH GULLY, and ERNEST TANCRED DILLON BELL, will carry on business as Barristers, Solicitors, and Notaries Public, at Messrs. Johnston and Co.'s Buildings, Panama Street, under the firm of "Bell, Gully, and Bell."

H. D. BELL.
HUGH GULLY.
CHARLES H. IZARD.
E. D. BELL.

Wellington, 31st March, 1897.

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I ERNEST ALEXANDER WALKER, Master of Arts, Bachelor of Medicine, and Master of Surgery, University of Glasgow, now residing in New Plymouth, New Zealand, hereby give notice that I intend applying on the 12th of April 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 New Plymouth.

ERNEST A. WALKER, M.A., M.B., C.M.
Dated at New Plymouth, 12th March, 1897. 723

I ARTHUR EDWARD ALBERT PALMER, Bachelor of Medicine and Bachelor of Surgery of University of New Zealand, now residing in Wellington, hereby give notice that I intend applying, on the 1st May, 1897, to have my name placed on the Medical Register for the Colony of New Zealand; and that I have deposited the evidence of my qualification in the office of the Registrar of Births and Deaths at Wellington.

A. E. A. PALMER, M.B., Ch.B.
Dated at Wellington, 29th March, 1897. 724

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